

Education Sciences (IES) on, among other things, the establishment of activities to be supported by the Institute, on the funding for applications for grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for research after the completion of peer review, and reviews and evaluates the work of the Institute.

On February 24, 2012, starting at 8:30 a.m., the Board will approve the agenda and hear remarks from the chair. John Easton, IES Director, and the Commissioners of the national centers will give an overview of recent developments at IES. From 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., Board members will discuss and give suggestions regarding a draft of the Board's 2012 Annual Report. A break will take place from 10:45 to 11 a.m.

From 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Board will consider the topic, "The Importance of Disseminating Research Results: How can we better reach practitioners and policy-makers?" Following opening remarks by Ruth Neild, Associate Commissioner of the National Center for Education Evaluation, and by Diane Massell with the University of Michigan's School of Education, Board members will engage in roundtable discussion of the issues raised.

The meeting will break for lunch from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Following lunch the Board will resume from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. to discuss the topic, "Scaling up Promising Models: What can the field of education learn from other Federal agencies?" Naomi Goldstein, Director of the Office of Policy Research and Evaluation in the Administration for Children and Families in the Department of Health and Human Services, and Paul Carttar, Director of the Social Innovation Fund within the Corporation for National and Community Service, will present their experience with scaling up evidence-based programs within the Federal Government. Their presentations will be followed by Board discussion.

From 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., Elizabeth Albrow, Acting Commissioner of the National Center for Education Research, and Deborah Speece, Commissioner of the National Center for Special Education Research, will brief the Board on research grants in their centers. The Board will then discuss any implications of these presentations.

An afternoon break from 3:30 to 3:45 p.m. will precede a legislative update from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. by a representative of the Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs in the U.S. Department of Education who will brief the Board on legislative developments affecting IES.

At 4:45 p.m., there will be closing remarks and a consideration of next steps from the IES Director and NBES Chair, with adjournment scheduled for 5 p.m.

There will not be an opportunity for public comment. However, members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments related to NBES to Monica Herk (see contact information above). A final agenda will be available from Monica Herk (see contact information above) on February 10 and will be posted on the Board Web site <http://ies.ed.gov/director/board/agendas/index.asp>. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistance listening devices, or materials in alternative format) should notify Monica Herk no later than February 10. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at 555 New Jersey Ave. NW., Room 602 K, Washington, DC 20208, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Standard Time Monday through Friday.

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John Q. Easton,

Director, Institute of Education Sciences.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Portsmouth

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Portsmouth. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, March 1, 2012; 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Ohio State University, Endeavor Center, 1862 Shyville Road, Piketon, Ohio 45661.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joel Bradburne, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office, Post Office Box 700, Piketon, Ohio 45661, (740) 897-3822, Joel.Bradburne@lex.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of Agenda.
- Approval of February Minutes.
- Deputy Designated Federal Officer's Comments.
- Federal Coordinator's Comments.
- Liaisons' Comments.
- Presentations:
 - The Ohio Valley Regional Development Center (OVRDC) Overview, John Hemmings, Executive Director of OVRDC.
 - Waste Acceptance Criteria, Dennis Carr, Fluor-B&W
 - Information Portfolio, Karen Price, Fluor-B&W.
 - Fluor-B&W Community Commitment Plan Update, Jerry Schneider, Fluor-B&W.
- Administrative Issues.
- Subcommittee Updates.
- Public Comments.
- Final Comments from the Board.
- Adjourn.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The EM SSAB, Portsmouth, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Joel Bradburne at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals

who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Joel Bradburne at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Joel Bradburne at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.ports-sab.energy.gov/>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on February 3, 2012.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: March 1, 2012; 9 a.m.–2 p.m. March 2, 2012; 8:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street NW. (at Connecticut Avenue), Washington, DC 20008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elliott Levine, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-1476; Email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov or Roy Tiley at (410) 997-7778 ext. 220; Email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda

- Update on USDA Biomass R&D Activities
- Update on DOE Biomass R&D Activities

- Presentation on the USDA Feedstocks Readiness Tool
- Panel discussion on Renewable Fuel Standards
- Presentation on the National Biofuels Action Plan

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda should contact Elliott Levine or Roy Tiley at the email or telephone number listed above. Request to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the requested topic(s) on the agenda. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Co-chairs will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at the following Web site: <http://biomassboard.gov/committee/meetings.html>.

Issued at Washington, DC on February 3, 2012.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #2

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER10-1537-001; ER10-1553-001; ER10-1538-001; ER10-1539-001; ER10-1540-001; ER10-1531-001.

Applicants: Entergy Nuclear Generation Company, Entergy Nuclear Power Marketing, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Fitzpatrick, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 3, LLC.

Description: Supplemental Information of Entergy Nuclear Fitzpatrick, LLC, et al.

Filed Date: 2/1/12.

Accession Number: 20120201-5255.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/13/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-543-001.

Applicants: Ethical Electric Benefit Co.

Description: Ethical Electric Benefit Co. Market Based Rate Filing—Clone to be effective 12/6/2011.

Filed Date: 2/2/12.

Accession Number: 20120202-5000.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-768-001.

Applicants: Cleco Evangeline LLC.

Description: Compliance Filing to be effective 1/1/2012.

Filed Date: 2/2/12.

Accession Number: 20120202-5001.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-862-000.

Applicants: Power Supply Services LLC.

Description: Supplement to Application for Market-Based Rate Authority and Approval of Waivers and Blanket Authorization.

Filed Date: 2/1/12.

Accession Number: 20120201-5249.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/22/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-975-000.

Applicants: Cleco Evangeline LLC.

Description: Change to Add Ancillary Services to be effective 1/10/2012.

Filed Date: 2/2/12.

Accession Number: 20120202-5002.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-977-000.

Applicants: Avista Corporation.

Description: Service Agreement No. T1110—Construction Agreement to be effective 2/3/2012 under ER12-977

Filing Type: 20.

Filed Date: 2/2/12.

Accession Number: 20120202-5069.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-978-000.

Applicants: Michigan Electric Transmission Company.

Description: Filing of Certificate of Concurrence to be effective 2/1/2012.

Filed Date: 2/2/12.

Accession Number: 20120202-5071.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/12.

Docket Numbers: ER12-979-000.

Applicants: Rocky Ridge Wind Project, LLC.

Description: Rocky Ridge Wind Project MBR Filing to be effective 3/1/2012.

Filed Date: 2/2/12.

Accession Number: 20120202-5079.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/23/12.

Take notice that the Commission received the following land acquisition reports:

Docket Numbers: LA11-4-000.

Applicants: Enel Green Power North America, Inc., Canastota Windpower,