Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Navy (CN-P-

APW)

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: November 5, 2020

* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Canada—Standard Missile 2 (SM-2) Block IIIC Missiles

The Government of Canada has requested to buy one hundred (100) Standard Missile 2 (SM-2) Block IIIC missiles; and one hundred (100) MK 13 Vertical Launch Systems (VLS) (canisters modified to employ the SM-2 Block IIIC missile). Also included is obsolescence engineering; integration and test activity associated with production of subject missiles; canister handling and loading/unloading equipment and associated spares; training and training equipment/aids; technical publications and data; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The total estimated program cost is \$500 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the military capability of Canada, a NATO ally that is an important force for ensuring political stability and economic progress and a contributor to military, peacekeeping and humanitarian operations around the world.

This proposed sale will provide Canada with SM-2 Block IIIC missiles for installation on its planned 15 Type 26 Canada Surface Combatant (CSC) ships, ensuring its ability to operate alongside U.S. and Allied naval forces against the full spectrum of naval threats. Canada will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal U.S. contractor will be Raytheon Missiles and Defense, Tucson, AZ. The purchaser typically requests offsets. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor(s).

Implementation of the proposed sale will require U.S. Government and contractor personnel to visit Canada on a temporary basis in conjunction with program technical oversight and support requirements, including program and technical reviews, as well as to provide training and maintenance support in country.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

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Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The SM-2 Block IIIC Active Missile maximizes existing SM-6 Block I active and SM-2 semi-active missile technology to deliver a low cost, medium range dual mode active/semiactive missile. Guidance, Ordnance and Power, Control and Telemetry (PC&T) Sections are derived from SM-6 Block I, Dual Thrust Rocket Motor (DTRM) and missile canisters are derived from SM-2. Planned changes include new dorsal sections and thrust vector control to accommodate the revised flight characteristics driven by the incorporation of the active missile capability. Improvements to the Guidance Section, communications plate and steering control section are planned to address obsolescence.
- 2. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

- 3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.
- 4. A determination has been made that Canada can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.
- 5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Canada.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 20-73]

Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Arms sales notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karma Job at *karma.d.job.civ@mail.mil* or (703) 697–8976.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This 36(b)(1) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104–164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 20–73 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: December 11, 2020.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY 201 12TH STREET SOUTH, SUITE 101 ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408

October 30, 2020

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives H-209, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control

Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-73 concerning the Army's

proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Australia for defense articles

and services estimated to cost \$46 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to

issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely, Leide Hothanst

Heidi H. Grant Director

Enclosures:

- 1. Transmittal
- 2. Policy Justification
- 3. Sensitivity of Technology

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Transmittal No. 20-73

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as Amended

- (i) *Prospective Purchaser:* Government of Australia.
 - (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment * .. \$40 million Other \$ 6 million TOTAL \$46 million

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): Two hundred (200) Javelin FGM-148E missiles

Non-MDE: U.S. Government technical assistance and other related elements of logistics and program support.

- (iv) ${\it Military Department: }$ Army (AT-B-ULI).
 - (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.
- (vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.
- (vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.
- (viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: October 30, 2020.

* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Australia—Javelin Missiles

The Government of Australia has requested to buy two hundred (200) Javelin FGM-148E missiles with U.S. Government technical assistance and other related elements of logistics and program support. The total estimated cost is not to exceed \$46 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States. Australia is one of our most important allies in the Western Pacific. The strategic location of this political and economic power contributes significantly to ensuring peace and economic stability in the region.

The Australian Defence Force (ADF) is seeking to fill a short-term shortfall in its Javelin missile inventory in order to maintain the appropriate level of readiness. Australia will not have any difficulty absorbing these missiles into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

These missiles will be provided from U.S. Army stocks. There are no known offsets associated with this sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Australia.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

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Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

- 1. The Javelin Weapon System is a medium-range, man portable, shoulder-launched, fire-and-forget, anti-tank system for infantry, scouts, and combat engineers. It may also be mounted on a variety of platforms including vehicles, aircraft and watercraft. The system weighs 49.5 pounds and has a maximum range in excess of 2,500 meters. The system is highly lethal against tanks and other systems with conventional and reactive armors. The system possesses a secondary capability against bunkers.
- 2. Javelin's key technical feature is the use of fire-and-forget technology, which allows the gunner to fire and immediately relocate or take cover.

Additional special features are the top attack and/or direct fire modes, an advanced tandem warhead and imaging infrared seeker, target lock-on before launch, and soft launch from enclosures or covered fighting positions. The Javelin missile also has a minimum smoke motor thus decreasing its detection on the battlefield.

- 3. The Javelin Weapon System is comprised of two major tactical components, which are a reusable Command Launch Unit (CLU) and a round contained in a disposable launch tube assembly. The CLU incorporates an integrated day-night sight that provides a target engagement capability in adverse weather and countermeasure environments. The CLU may also be used in a stand-alone mode for battlefield surveillance and target detection. The CLU's thermal sight is a second generation Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) sensor.
- 4. The missile is autonomously guided to the target using an imaging infrared seeker and adaptive correlation tracking algorithms. This allows the gunner to take cover or reload and engage another target after firing a missile. The missile has an advanced tandem warhead and can be used in either the top attack or direct fire modes (for target undercover). An onboard flight computer guides the missile to the selected target.
- 5. The Javelin Missile System hardware and the documentation are UNCLASSIFIED.
- 6. If a technologically advanced adversary obtains knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures or equivalent systems that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.
- 7. A determination has been made that Australia can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary to further the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.
- 8. All defense articles and services listed on this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Government of Australia.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

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

Docket Numbers: EC21–21–000. Applicants: North Fork Ridge Wind, LLC, The Empire District Electric Company.

Description: Supplement to Application of North Fork Ridge Wind, LLC, and The Empire District Electric Company.

Filed Date: 12/11/20. Accession Number: 20201211–5133. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

Docket Numbers: EC21–27–000. Applicants: Neosho Ridge Wind, LLC,

The Empire District Electric Company. Description: Supplement to Application of Neosho Ridge Wind, LLC, and The Empire District Electric Company.

Filed Ďate: 12/11/20. Accession Number: 20201211–5135. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG21–52–000. Applicants: Harry Allen Solar Energy LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Harry Allen Solar Energy LLC.

Filed Date: 12/11/20. Accession Number: 20201211–5062. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

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

Docket Numbers: ER19–2846–003.
Applicants: Trans Bay Cable LLC.
Description: Compliance filing:
Compliance filing for Docket ER19–2846
to be effective 4/23/2020.
Filed Date: 12/11/20.

Accession Number: 20201211–5071. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21. Docket Numbers: ER20–1087–001. Applicants: New England Electric

Transmission Corporation.

Description: Compliance filing: Amended Order No. 864 Compliance Filing to be effective 1/27/2020.

Filed Date: 12/11/20. Accession Number: 20201211–5161. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21. Docket Numbers: ER20–1088–001. Applicants: New England Hydro Transmission Electric.

Description: Compliance filing: Amended Order No. 864 Compliance Filing to be effective 1/27/2020.