

remain fiscally secure institutions that can assist the nation in reaching its goal of having the highest proportion of college graduates by 2020; (iv) elevating the public awareness of HBCUs; and (v) encouraging public-private investments in HBCUs.

Meeting Agenda: Members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting via telephone may dial (877) 988-7340, participant code, 2881382.

The meeting agenda will include (i) a review of the Board's activities prior to October 26 2016; (ii) the introduction and swearing-in of five new members of the Board; (iii) Chairman William R. Harvey will present a report on HBCU issues and concerns; (iv) Deputy Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education and Acting Executive Director/Designated Federal Official, Kim Hunter Reed, will provide an update on current priorities of the White House Initiative on HBCUs, including planning strategies and initiatives; (v) Kim Hunter Reed will also provide an update on education policies relevant to HBCUs; (vi) Chairman Harvey will open the floor for subcommittee reports. The public comment period will begin immediately following the conclusion of the subcommittee reports.

Submission of request to make a public comment: There are two methods the public may use to provide an oral comment pertaining to the work of the Board at the October 26, 2016 meeting.

Method One: Submit a request by email to whirsvps@ed.gov. Please do not send materials directly to Board members. Requests for oral comment must be received by close of business October 22, 2016. Include in the subject line of the email request "Oral Comment Request: (organization name)." The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, telephone number, of the person(s) requesting to speak, and a brief summary (not to exceed one page) of the principal points to be made during the oral comment. All individuals submitting an advance request in accordance with this method will be afforded an opportunity to speak for three minutes.

Method Two: Register at the meeting location on October 26, 2016. The requestor must provide his or her name, title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number. Individuals will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. If selected, each commenter will have an opportunity to speak for three minutes.

All comments made will become part of the official record of the Board. Similarly, written materials distributed

during oral comment will become part of the official record of the meeting.

Submission of written public comments: The Board invites written comments, which will be read during the public comment period. Written comments must be received by close of business October 22, 2016 and must be sent via email to whirsvps@ed.gov. Please include in the subject line of the email "Written Comments: Public Comment." The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number, of the person(s) making the comment. Written comments should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document or in a medium compatible with Microsoft Word (not a PDF file) that is attached to the email message or is provided in the body of the email message. Please do not send material directly to the Board members.

Access to Records of the Meeting: The Department will post the official report of the meeting on the Board Web site 90 days after the meeting. Pursuant to the FACA, the public may also inspect the materials at 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC, by emailing oswhi-hbcu@ed.gov or by calling (202) 453-5634 to schedule an appointment.

Reasonable Accommodations: The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least one week before the meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

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Under Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Nuclear Energy; Request for Information on Approaches Involving Private Initiatives for Consolidated Interim Storage Facilities

AGENCY: Spent Fuel and Waste Disposition, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for information.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Nuclear Energy, released on its Web site a Request for Information (RFI) on Private Initiatives (PIs) for Consolidated Interim Storage Facilities. The purpose of the RFI is to gather input on the role of PIs for private consolidated interim storage facilities (ISF) services as part of an integrated waste management system.

DATES: Written comments and information are requested on or before January 27, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are to submit requested information by any of the following methods:

Email: Responses may be provided by email to PrivateISF@hq.doe.gov.

Mail: Responses may be provided by mail to the following address: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, Response to RFI on Private Initiatives to Develop Consolidated SNF Storage Facilities, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585.

Fax: Responses may be faxed to 202-586-0544. Please include "Response to RFI on Private Initiatives to Develop Consolidated SNF Storage Facilities" on the fax cover page.

Online: Responses will be accepted online at www.regulations.gov.

Instructions: All submissions received are to include "Response to RFI on Private Initiatives to Develop Consolidated SNF Storage Facilities" in the subject of the message. The complete RFI, including the additional instructions, can be found at www.energy.gov/ne/downloads/Private-ISF.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for further information should be sent to Mr. Andrew Griffith via PrivateISF@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Since the Administration's Strategy for the Management and Disposal of Used Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste was issued, PIs for interim storage facilities that could provide DOE or utilities with consolidated SNF interim storage services are in various stages of development. PIs, although not envisioned in the Administration's Strategy, represent a potentially promising alternative to federal facilities for consolidated interim storage. The RFI seeks input on key questions related to the role PFIs could play in an integrated waste management system. The RFI is available on the DOE-NE Web site at: www.energy.gov/ne/downloads/Private-ISF.

The DOE Office of Nuclear Energy invites all interested parties to submit in writing by January 27, 2017, comments and information on matters addressed in the notice.

Submitting Comments

Instructions: Submit comments via any of the mechanisms set forth in the **ADDRESSES** section.

DOE intends to make the responses submitted to this RFI publicly available in their entirety. Therefore, DOE recommends that respondents do not include any business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise privileged information (Confidential Business Data or CBI), or any personally identifiable information (PII) such as personal email or phone numbers, in their submission. Responses to this RFI will be automatically posted and made publicly available; DOE will not review submissions for any CBI or PII so it is the respondents' responsibility to ensure no such information is submitted.

If a respondent would like to respond with information that contains potential CBI or PII, they may do so by submitting responses to privateISF_Sensitive@hq.doe.gov. Responses are subject to disclosure statutes such as the Freedom of Information Act. As such, the respondent should clearly identify any CBI or PII and indicate the rationale why such information should not be released. For further details on DOE's treatment of potential CBI that is subject to a FOIA request, see 10 CFR 1004.11 and 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4).

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 24, 2016.

Andrew Griffith,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Spent Nuclear Fuel and Waste Disposition, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy.

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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: EC16-184-000.

Applicants: WGP Acquisition, LLC, Lea Power Partners, LLC, Waterside Power, LLC, Badger Creek Limited, Chalk Cliff Limited, Double C Generation Limited Partnership, High Sierra Limited, Kern Front Limited, McKittrick Limited, Bear Mountain Limited, Live Oak Limited.

Description: Second Supplement to September 19, 2016 Joint Section 203 Application for WPG Acquisition, LLC, et al.

Filed Date: 10/17/16.

Accession Number: 20161017-5067.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 10/27/16.

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

Docket Numbers: EG17-15-000.

Applicants: Bluestem Wind Energy, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Bluestem Wind Energy, LLC.

Filed Date: 10/21/16.

Accession Number: 20161021-5125.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/14/16.

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

Docket Numbers: ER10-2302-006.

Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico.

Description: Second Supplement to December 29, 2015 Public Service Company of New Mexico submits Triennial Market Power Update.

Filed Date: 10/21/16.

Accession Number: 20161021-5036.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/14/16.

Docket Numbers: ER10-2437-009.

Applicants: Arizona Public Service Company.

Description: Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Arizona Public Service Company.

Filed Date: 10/20/16.

Accession Number: 20161020-5167.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/10/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-2522-001.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Tariff Amendment: 3243 City of Piggott, AR NITSA NOA Deferral of Action in ER16-2522 to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 10/20/16.

Accession Number: 20161020-5165.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/10/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-2523-001.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Tariff Amendment: 3244 Malden—Board of Public Works NITSA NOA Deferral of Action in ER16-2523 to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 10/20/16.

Accession Number: 20161020-5164.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/10/16.

Docket Numbers: ER17-150-000.

Applicants: San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: SDGE CSolar LGIA to be effective 10/22/2011.

Filed Date: 10/20/16.

Accession Number: 20161020-5162.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/10/16.

Docket Numbers: ER17-151-000.

Applicants: San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: SDGE Resubmittal of Standard LGIA to be effective 6/28/2010.

Filed Date: 10/20/16.

Accession Number: 20161020-5163.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/10/16.

Docket Numbers: ER17-152-000.

Applicants: Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation.

Description: Notice of Cancellation of Interconnection and Interchange Agreement No. 485 of Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation.

Filed Date: 10/20/16.

Accession Number: 20161020-5168.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/10/16.

Docket Numbers: ER17-153-000.

Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2016-10-20_SA 2964 METC-City of Marshall Interconnection Facilities Agreement to be effective 10/24/2016.

Filed Date: 10/21/16.

Accession Number: 20161021-5034.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/14/16.

Docket Numbers: ER17-154-000.

Applicants: Northern Indiana Public Service Company.