

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On February 11, 1999, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) issued Order No. EA-196 authorizing Minnesota Power to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. Minnesota Power is a Minnesota corporation, owns electric generation and transmission facilities and sells and distributes electricity within its northern Minnesota service territory.

Minnesota Power proposes to arrange for delivery of electric energy to Canada over transmission facilities owned and operated by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Detroit Edison, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power and Light Co., Inc., Minnkota Power, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company. That two-year authorization expired on February 11, 2001.

On March 2, 2001, Minnesota Power filed an application with FE for renewal of this export authority and requested that the authorization be granted for a two-year term (or for such other period as the Department deems appropriate) and that the international transmission lines owned by Long Sault, Inc. be added to the list of authorized export points.

Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Minnesota Power request to export to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-196-A. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Steven W. Tyacke, Esq., Minnesota Power, Inc., 30 West Superior Street, Duluth, MN 55802.

DOE notes that the circumstances described in this application are virtually identical to those for which export authority had previously been

granted in FE Order No. EA-196. Consequently, DOE believes that it has adequately satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 through the documentation of a categorical exclusion in the FE Docket EA-196 proceeding.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Electricity," from the Regulatory Info menu, and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Federal Energy Management Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Federal Energy Management Advisory Committee (FEMAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. This notice announces the third meeting of FEMAC, an advisory committee established under Executive Order 13123, "Greening the Government through Efficient Energy Management."

DATES: Tuesday, April 17, 2001; 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, April 18, 2001; 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Huff, Designated Federal Officer for the Committee, Office of Federal Energy Management Programs, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-3507.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of meeting: To provide advice and guidance on Federal Energy Management.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions on the following:

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- Federal energy management budget
- Energy-savings performance contracts
- Utility energy-efficiency service contracts
- Procurement of ENERGY STAR (Registered Trademark) and other energy efficient products
- Building design
- Process energy use
- Applications of efficient and renewable energy technologies (including clean energy technologies) at Federal facilities
- Public comment

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Federal Energy Management Advisory Committee. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of these items on the agenda, you should contact Steven Huff at (202) 586-3507 or Steven.Huff@ee.doe.gov. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. This notice is being published less than fifteen days before the date of the meeting due to the late resolution of programmatic issues.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; Room 1EB190; Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on April 5, 2001.

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Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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