

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Privacy Act of 1974: Notice of New System of Records**

September 16, 2009.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of new system of records.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the Commission), under the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, is publishing a description of a new system of records.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for further information should be directed to the following address: Director, Division of Payroll, Application and Integration, Office of the Executive Director, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Nye, Director, Division of Payroll, Application and Integration, Office of the Executive Director, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-6679.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Report on the New System***A. Background*

The Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, requires that each agency publish a notice of the existence and character of each new or altered "system of records." 5 U.S.C. 552a(a)(5). This Notice identifies and describes the Commission's new system of records. A copy of this report has been distributed to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate as the Act requires. The Commission has adopted a new system of records under the Privacy Act of 1974. This system does not duplicate any existing agency system. The notice includes for the system of records the name; location; categories of individuals on whom the records are maintained; categories of records in the system; authority for maintenance of the system; each routine use; the policies and practices governing storage, retrievability, access controls, retention and disposal; the title and business address of the agency official responsible for the system of records; procedures for notification, access and contesting the records of each system; and the sources for the records in the system. 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4).

*B. New System of Records***FERC-56 Management, Administrative, and Payroll System (MAPS) Financials System**

FERC-56 SYSTEM NAME:
MAPS Financials

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:
Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Executive Director, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:
Current and former employees.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:
Individual's name.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:
31 U.S.C. 3511.

PURPOSE(S):
For reimbursement by agency to employees' bank accounts for incurred allowable expenses while on official travel.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

To facilitate the automatic payment to agency employees for allowable expenses previously incurred while on official travel.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:
None.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:
STORAGE:
Paper and computer.

RETRIEVABILITY:
By individual's name and social security number.

SAFEGUARDS:
Paper records are stored in a locked room with access limited to those employees whose official duties require access. Computer data is backed up, password protected and limited to employees with a requirement to access and maintain it.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:
Records are maintained for 6 years and 3 months after the period covered by the account, and then are destroyed.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:
Director, Division of Payroll, Application and Integration, Office of

the Executive Director, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-6679.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Requests from individuals to determine if a system of records contains information about them should be directed to the System Manager.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Same as notification procedure above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Same as notification procedure above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Employee.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Bonneville Power Administration****Washington-Action Agency Estuary Habitat Memorandum of Agreement Record of Decision**

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability of Record of Decision (ROD).

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the ROD under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the Estuary Habitat Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the State of Washington consistent with and tiered to the Fish and Wildlife Implementation Plan Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS-0312, April 2003) and ROD (October 31, 2003). The NEPA ROD for the MOA is included as part of the Administrator's ROD for the MOA. BPA has decided to enter into a MOA with the State of Washington and two Federal agencies (the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation) to provide for a 9-year funding commitment for Columbia River Estuary habitat projects to help strengthen populations of steelhead and salmon listed under the Endangered Species Act. The Columbia River Estuary includes the mainstem Columbia River from the mouth of the River at its confluence with the Pacific Ocean, up to Bonneville Dam, including tidally-influenced tributaries below Bonneville Dam. The Columbia River

Estuary includes important habitat for all Columbia Basin salmon and steelhead species, as well as a wide variety of other fish and wildlife species. The MOA is consistent with and will work in concert with the 2008 Biological Opinion issued by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration-Fisheries for the Federal Columbia River Power System for listed salmon and steelhead. The MOA also supports BPA's implementation of the Northwest Power and Conservation Council's Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Program.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD may be obtained by calling BPA's toll-free document request line, 1-800-622-4520. The ROD is also available on the BPA Web site, <http://www.bpa.gov/corporate/pubs/rods/2008/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra Ackley, Bonneville Power Administration—KEC-4, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208-3621; toll-free telephone number 1-800-282-3713; fax number 503-230-5699; or e-mail sjackley@bpa.gov.

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Stephen J. Wright,

Administrator and Chief Executive Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Request for Information (RFI)—Photovoltaic (PV) Manufacturing Initiative

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Request for Information (RFI)—Photovoltaic (PV) Manufacturing Initiative.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) today gives notice of a Request for Information on the PV Manufacturing Initiative. The "PV Manufacturing Initiative" is intended to coordinate stakeholders and technology development efforts across the solar community to facilitate the development of a strong PV manufacturing industry in the United States. The primary goals of this initiative include supporting the creation of a robust United States-based PV manufacturing technology including infrastructure and supply chain base, developing a highly trained workforce with the critical skills required to meet

the needs of a rapidly growing industry, and speeding the implementation of new cutting edge technologies.

There are three separate models currently under consideration: University-Led Consortia, Collaborative Industry-Led Consortia, and Manufacturing Development Facilities, which are described in full detail in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. This Request for Information (RFI) seeks comments on the general concept, potential benefits or obstacles, the overall merits of the idea, alternatives, and the relative priority of this activity. DOE will evaluate responses to this RFI to determine the best approach to move forward.

DATES: Responses to this RFI must be submitted by 11:59 PM Eastern Time on September 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: All responses to this RFI must be delivered electronically in Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) format as an attachment to an e-mail sent to the following e-mail address: PVManufInit@go.doe.gov. E-mails should have the subject line "PV Manufacturing Initiative Response".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any questions about the content of this RFI must be sent to the following e-mail address: PVManufInit@go.doe.gov. E-mails should have the subject line "Question".

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Program Manager/Area

JoAnn Milliken, Acting Program Manager, Solar Energy Technologies Program, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

Background and Rationale

The mission of the Department of Energy's (DOE) Solar Energy Technologies Program (SETP) is to accelerate the wide-spread adoption of solar electric technologies across the United States through a program of applied research and development, demonstration, and market transformation activities. This mission aims to diversify the Nation's electricity supply options, increase national security, and improve the environment. The SETP mission is consistent with the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and DOE's Strategic Plan.

During the past decade, worldwide demand for and production of PV energy systems has been growing at a compounded annual growth rate of more than 30%. This growth has taken place in response to government supported programs in Germany, Spain, and other countries outside the United

States. This demand for PV products has the potential to also grow in the United States due to new and emerging Federal and State support programs and favorable solar conditions, as well as declining system costs. Currently, the United States, is not a major manufacturer of PV products and, therefore, not well-positioned to take advantage of this opportunity's potential to create a strong domestic industry.

The "PV Manufacturing Initiative" is intended to coordinate stakeholders and technology development efforts across the solar community to facilitate the development of a strong PV manufacturing industry in the United States. The primary goals of this initiative include supporting the creation of a robust United States-based PV manufacturing technology including infrastructure and supply chain base, developing a highly trained workforce with the critical skills required to meet the needs of a rapidly growing industry, and speeding the implementation of new cutting edge technologies.

Three separate models are currently under consideration: (1) University-led consortia guided by industry that would conduct industry-relevant manufacturing research projects; (2) collaborative industry-led consortia that will develop and implement manufacturing research projects with shared intellectual property (IP); and (3) manufacturing development efforts, possibly implemented through common facilities, for equipment and process development with individual companies maintaining exclusive ownership of IP.

Proposed Strategy

If a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is developed from this RFI, it will enable DOE to launch a major PV Manufacturing Initiative that will accelerate development and provide a strong base for a domestic United States PV industry. DOE anticipates that up to \$30M may be available to fund the PV Manufacturing Initiative in the first year. Of that, DOE anticipates that approximately \$5M may be devoted to a single or multiple awards for University-Led Consortia. The remaining \$25M may be used to fund single or multiple awards for Collaborative Industry-led Consortia and/or Manufacturing Development Facilities.

All proposals to implement PV Manufacturing Initiative models would be evaluated according to a competitive award process. In all cases, successful proposals would be expected to maximize the number of alternative