

Dated: January 25, 2008.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee will meet in closed session on March 6, 2008 from 0800 hrs until 2030 and March 7, 2008 from 0900 hrs until 1330 at the Pentagon.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide the Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense and Under Secretary of Defense for Policy with independent, informed advice on major matters of defense policy. The Board will hold classified discussions on national security matters.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, as amended [5 U.S.C. App II (1982)], it has been determined that this meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552B(c)(1) (1982), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: January 24, 2008.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Advisory Council on Indian Education

AGENCY: Department of Education, Office of Indian Education.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming open meeting of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education (the Council). The notice also describes the functions of the Council. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend. This notice is appearing in the **Federal Register** less than 15 days before the

date of the meeting due to scheduling difficulties within the agency and with the Council.

DATE: February 7, 2008.

TIME: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5C100, Washington, DC 20202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cathie Carothers, Director Office of Indian Education, National Advisory Council on Indian Education; 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202; phone: (202) 260-7485; fax: (202) 260-4149; e-mail:

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Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Advisory Council on Indian Education is authorized by Section 7141 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The Committee is established within the Department of Education to advise the Secretary of Education on the funding and administration (including the development of regulations, and administrative policies and practices) of any program over which the Secretary has jurisdiction and includes Indian children or adults as participants or programs that may benefit Indian children or adults, including any program established under Title VII, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The Council submits to the Congress, not later than June 30 of each year, a report on the activities of the Council that includes recommendations the Council considers appropriate for the improvement of Federal education programs that include Indian children or adults as participants or that may benefit Indian children or adults, and recommendations concerning the funding of any such program.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act; the President's fiscal year 2008 budget and the 2009 budget request; Executive Order 13336 activities; program updates; the Council's charter; and development of the Council's Annual Report to Congress.

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 Cathie Carothers at (202) 260-

7485 no later than February 1, 2008. 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.

Public Comment: 3:15 p.m. is scheduled on the Agenda for receipt of public comment.

Records are kept of all Committee proceedings and are available for public inspection at 400 Maryland Avenue, Room 5C132, Washington, DC 20202, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Standard Time Monday through Friday.

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Kerri L. Briggs,

Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: United States Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 7, 2008 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

PLACE: Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001. (Metro Stop: Union Station).

AGENDA: Commissioners will receive an update on HAVA Funding Issues. Commissioners will consider and vote on the following studies: Study on Feasibility of Free Absentee Voting Postage; Study on use of Social Security Information of First Time Voters Who Register to Vote by Mail. Commissioners will consider and vote on an Interim

Policy for Changes to State Specific Instructions on National Mail Voter Registration Form. Commissioners will consider and vote on a Disclaimer proposal to State Instructions Portion of the NVRA Form. The Commission will consider other administrative matters.

This meeting will be open to the public.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

Thomas R. Wilkey,

Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Environmental Management; Environmental Management Advisory Board

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463), and in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, section 102-3.65(a), and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Management Advisory Board will be renewed for a two-year period beginning January 23, 2008.

The Board provides the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management (EM) with information and strategic advice on a broad range of corporate issues affecting the EM program. These corporate issues include, but are not limited to, project management and oversight activities; cost/benefit analyses; program performance; contracts and acquisition strategies; human capital management; and site end-states activities. Recommendations to the Department of Energy (DOE) on the programmatic resolution of numerous difficult issues will help achieve DOE's objective of the safe and efficient cleanup of its contaminated sites.

Additionally, the renewal of the Environmental Management Advisory Board has been determined to be essential to conduct DOE's business and to be in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on DOE by law and agreement. The Board will operate in accordance with the provisions of

FACA, and rules and regulations issued in implementation of that Act.

Further information regarding this Advisory Board may be obtained from Ms. Terri Lamb, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 586-9007.

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Carol A. Matthews,

Acting Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC08-516A-000; FERC-516A]

Commission Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Extension

January 22, 2008.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due March 31, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Copies of sample filings of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filings/elibrary.asp>) or from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Executive Director, ED-34, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those parties filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filing, the original and 14 copies of such comments should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and refer to Docket No. IC08-516A-000.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in WordPerfect, MS Word, Portable Document Format, or ASCII format. To file the document, access the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, choose the Documents & Filings tab, click on eFiling, then follow the instructions given. First time users will have to establish a user name and

password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC's homepage using the eLibrary link. For user assistance, contact ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676 or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 502-8415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collected under the requirements of FERC-516A "Small Generator Interconnection Agreements" (OMB No. 1902-2003) is used by the Commission to enforce the statutory provisions of sections 205 and 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), as amended by Title II, section 211 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) (16 U.S.C. 825d). FPA sections 205 and 206 require the Commission to remedy undue discriminatory practices within interstate electric utility operations.

The Commission amended its regulations in 2005 with Order No. 2006 to require public utilities that own, control, or operate facilities used for the transmission of electric energy in interstate commerce to amend their Open Access Transmission Tariffs (OATTs) to include a Commission-approved *pro forma* interconnection procedures document and a standard interconnection agreement for the interconnection of generating facilities having a capacity of no more than 20 MW (Small Generators).¹

Prior to Order No. 2006, the Commission's policy had been to address interconnection issues on a case-by-case basis. Although a number of transmission providers had filed interconnection procedures as part of their OATTs, many industry participants remained dissatisfied with existing interconnection policies and procedures. With an increasing number of interconnection-related disputes, it became apparent that the case-by-case approach was an inadequate and inefficient means to address interconnection issues. This prompted the Commission to adopt, in Order No. 2006, a single set of procedures for jurisdictional transmission providers and a single uniformly applicable

¹ *Standardization of Small Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures*, Order No. 2006, 70 FR 34189 (May 12, 2005), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,180 (2005).