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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the State Energy Advisory Board. Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463; 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: October 25, 2001 from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM, and October 26, 2001 from 8:30 AM to 2 PM.

PLACE: National Transportation Research Center, Room CC01A,B,C, 2360 Cherahala Boulevard, Knoxville, TN 37932 and Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Building 3147 Conference Room, Bethel Valley Road, Oak Ridge, TN 37831.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William J. Raup, Office of Planning, Budget, and Outreach, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Washington, DC 20585, Telephone 202/586-2214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives and programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

Tentative Agenda:

- STEAB Committee updates
- STEAB Annual Report Update
- EERE State Success Stories
- Presentations from ORNL staff
- Tours of the NTRC and various ORNL labs

- Public Comment Period

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements

may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact William J. Raup at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral presentations must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statements in the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

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, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC01-521-000, FERC-521]

Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments

October 2, 2001.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

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: Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before December 10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Chief Information Officer, CI-1, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 208-2425, and by e-mail at mike.miller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collected under the requirements of FERC-521 "Payments for Benefits from Headwater Benefits" (OMB No. 1902-0087) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Section 10(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)(16 U.S.C. 803). The FPA authorizes the Commission to determine headwater benefits received by downstream hydropower project owners. Headwater benefits are the additional energy production possible at a downstream hydropower project resulting from the regulation of river flows by an upstream storage reservoir.

When the Commission completes a study of a river basin, it determines headwater benefits charges that will be apportioned among the various downstream beneficiaries. A headwaters benefits charge, and the cost incurred by the Commission to complete an evaluation are paid by downstream hydropower project owners. In essence, the owners of non-federal hydropower projects that directly benefit from a headwater(s) improvement must pay an equitable portion of the annual charges for interest, maintenance, and depreciation of the headwater project to the U.S. Treasury. The regulations provide for apportionment of these costs between the headwater project and downstream projects based on downstream energy gains and propose equitable apportionment methodology that can be applied to all river basins in which headwater improvements are built. The data the Commission requires owners of non-federal hydropower projects to file for determining annual charges is specified in 18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 11.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as: