

divided into the Waterfront Industrial Area and Upland Base. The Waterfront Industrial Area, located along the lake shoreline, is suited to water access, berthing, and equipment maintenance facilities. The Upland Base, located on a bluff above the shoreline, is suited to administrative facilities. Currently, functions and facilities are scattered among dispersed facilities causing inefficiency in operations. Planning for future operations at ARD has identified a need to consolidate dispersed facilities and functions, bringing together related functions for an increased operations efficiency.

Two alternative programs for improvements to both the Waterfront Industrial Area and the Upland Base have been identified to accomplish this goal. These alternatives will focus on design and configuration options for two principal developmental projects. These projects are the construction and operation of a Model Engineering and Support Facility (MESF) and an Acoustic Test and Analysis Center (ATAC). The EIS will address the environmental impacts of these two projects and associated capital improvements in comparative analysis. The EIS will also address ARD operations supported by these facilities, including acoustic experimentation in Lake Pend Oreille. The No Action alternative would result in continuing operations at ARD and using the existing facilities without change.

The proposed MESF is needed to improve waterborne operational efficiency. It would incorporate an interior model life well, storage, maintenance shop, and laboratory space. It would replace an existing barge which is not adequate to support mission requirements of storage and handling capacity. As proposed, the MESF is a pile-supported structure over a dredged slip area used for retrieving models from the lake. Several design options are available for environmental analysis, including a pile support option, a floating barge support option, and no-dredge model slip option.

The proposed ATAC would consolidate project management, computer centers, record storage, and conference facilities with Waterfront Industrial area shop functions in a new facility located near the present site of Building 1. The proposed ATAC would replace the existing Building 1 and provide additional vehicle maneuverability and laydown space along the shoreline within the Waterfront Industrial Area. Building 1 would be demolished. In the alternative design option for this facility project, management, computer, storage, and

conference functions would be located in a new facility in the Upland Base. The Waterfront Industrial Area shops would be consolidated in a new building to be located near Building 1; Building 1 would also be demolished under this alternative.

In addition to construction of these facilities, the proposed action includes a number of other associated capital improvements in the Waterfront Industrial Area and Upland Base. Improvements in the Waterfront Industrial Area would include extension of the floating log-boom wave diffuser, construction of a pier to the existing model support platform, and relocation and construction of a new hazardous materials handling facility. The new construction would require removal of 1940's vintage buildings and other temporary structures. Associated with these improvements are bank stabilization projects to protect the lake and Navy resources. Improvements to the Upland Base would include the relocation of the main gate and entry road, expansion of the main parking lot, and construction of a new recreation activity area.

The EIS will discuss environmental impacts resulting from construction and operation of these facilities, mitigation measures, and indirect environmental impacts to area land use patterns. Significant environmental issues that will be addressed in the EIS will include, but not limited to, impacts on water quality, shoreline habitat, threatened and endangered species, groundwater, land use, transportation, noise, utilities, aesthetics, air quality, cultural resources, and environmental justice. Cumulative impacts associated with the implementation of the proposed action, including associated operations, will also be considered.

Federal, State and local agencies, and interested individuals are encouraged to participate in the scoping process to determine the range of issues and general development of alternatives to be addressed by the EIS. A public scoping meeting to receive oral and written comments will be held on Tuesday, February 27, 1996, at the Bayview Community Center, 16304 Perimeter Road, Bayview, Idaho 83803, at 7 p.m. In the interest of available time, each speaker will be asked to limit oral comments to five minutes. To be most helpful, scoping comments should clearly describe specific issues or topics which the commentator believes the EIS should address.

ADDRESSES. Written comments should be sent to the address listed below and submitted no later than March 15, 1996

to become part of the official record. Questions regarding the scoping process should also be addressed to: Commanding Officer, Engineering Field Activity Northwest; Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 19917 Seventh Avenue NE, Poulsbo, WA 98370-7579 (Attn: Mr. Peter Havens, Code 232PH), telephone (360) 396-0916, fax (360) 396-0854.

Dated: January 25, 1996.

M.D. Schetzslle,
Lt. JAGC, USNR, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board

AGENCY: National Assessment Governing Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of Teleconference meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Assessment Governing Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend.

DATES: February 2, 1996.

TIME: 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (e.s.t.).

LOCATION: 800 North Capitol Street, NW, Suite 825, Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Ann Wilmer, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20002-4233, Telephone: (202) 357-6938.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Assessment Governing Board is established under section 412 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994 (Title IV of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994).

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress. The Board is responsible for selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment objectives, identifying appropriate achievement goals for each grade and subject tested, and establishing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons.

The Executive Committee of the National Assessment Governing Board will meet February 2, 1996 from 1:00

p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Because this is a teleconference meeting, facilities will be provided so the public will have access to the Committee's deliberations. The Committee will review and approve the agenda for the March meeting of the Board; review progress of Planning Initiative; discuss priorities for 1997 and 1998 assessments, and plans for the release of the 1996 math report.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dated: January 25, 1996.

Roy Truby,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. EA-98-A]

Application To Amend Electricity Export Authorization; Western Systems Power Pool

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: The Western Systems Power Pool (WSPP) filed an application to amend its authorization to export electricity to Canada by adding the names of ten new member companies to the list of authorized exporters.

DATES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before February 29, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy (FE-52), 1000 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20585-0350.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-9624 or Mike Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

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.

On September 2, 1994, in Order No. EA-98, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) authorized 22 members of the Western System Power Pool (WSPP) in order to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. Specifically, the Order authorized each of the 22 entities to individually export electric energy to

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro), or other future Canadian members of the WSPP, under the terms and conditions of the WSPP's pooling agreement and service schedules approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The order further authorized that the electric energy be transmitted using the international transmission facilities of the Bonneville Power Administration.

On December 29, 1995, WSPP, on behalf of the following member companies, filed a request to amend Order No. EA-98 by adding their names to the list of authorized exporters in this docket:

Coastal Electric Services Company
Englehard Power Marketing, Inc.
Enron Power Marketing
Entergy Power, Inc.
Equitable Power Services Company
Heartland Energy Services
Illinova Power Marketing, Inc.
Koch Power Services, Inc.
LG&E Power Marketing Inc.
Valero Power Services Company

By this joint application, each of the participating Pool members seeks an export authorization allowing them to enter into transactions with BC Hydro which involve the exportation of electricity from the United States. All such transactions would occur pursuant to the terms and conditions of the WSPP's pooling agreement and service schedules approved by the FERC.

Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this application should file a petition to intervene or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214).

Any such petitions and protests should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above. Additional copies of such petitions to intervene or protests also should be filed directly with Michael E. Small, Wright & Talisman, Suite 600, 1200 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005-3802

Pursuant to 18 CFR 385.211, protests and comments will be considered by the DOE in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a petition to intervene under 18 CFR 385.214. Section 385.214 requires that a petition to intervene must state, to the extent known, the position taken by the petitioner and the petitioner's interest in sufficient factual detail to demonstrate either that the petitioner has a right to participate because it is a State

Commission; that it has or represents an interest which may be directly affected by the outcome of the proceeding, including any interest as a consumer, customer, competitor, or a security holder of a party to the proceeding; or that the petitioner's participation is in the public interest.

A final decision will be made on this application after a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States or will not impede or tend to impede the coordination in the public interest of facilities in accordance with section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

Before an export authorization may be issued, the environmental impacts of the proposed DOE action (i.e., granting the export authorization, with any conditions and limitations, or denying it) must be evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 22, 1996.

Anthony J. Como,

Director, Office of Coal & Electricity, Office of Fuels Programs, Office of Fossil Energy.

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Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Fernald

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Fernald.

DATES: Saturday, February 10, 1996: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

ADDRESS: The Joint Information Center, 6025 Dixie Highway, Route 4, Fairfield, Ohio.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John S. Applegate, Chair of the Fernald Citizens Task Force, P.O. Box 544, Ross, Ohio 45061, or call the Fernald Citizens Task Force office (513) 648-6478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of future use, cleanup levels, waste