DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the forthcoming meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

Name of the Committee: Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board (EAB).

Date: November 19, 2004.

Location: Adam's Mark Buffalo/ Niagera Hotel, 120 Church Street, Buffalo, New York 14202 (716) 845– 5100.

Time: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Norman Edwards, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, DC 20314–1000; Ph: 202–761–1934.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board advises the Chief of Engineers on environmental policy, identification and resolution of environmental issues and missions, and addressing challenges, problems and opportunities in an environmentally sustainable manner. The EAB will visit the Buffalo area prior to the meeting to gain a better perspective of the water resources issues and challenges in the region. The public meeting will, however, focus on general issues of national significance rather than on individual project or region related topics. The intent of this meeting is to present an opportunity for the Chief of Engineers to receive the views of his EAB. Time will be provided for public comment. Each speaker will be limited to no more than three minutes in order to accommodate as many

people as possible within the limited time available.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 04–24636 Filed 11–3–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–92–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Inland Waterways Users Board

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the forthcoming meeting.

Name of Committee: Inland Waterways Users Board (Board). Date: December 7, 2004.

Location: St. Louis Airport Marriott, 10700 Peartree Lane, St. Louis, MO 63134, (1–314–423–9700).

Time: Registration will begin at 8:30 am and the meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 1 p.m.

Agenda: The Board will hear briefings on the status of both the funding for inland navigation projects and studies, and the Inland Waterways Trust Fund. The Board will also begin consideration of its priorities for the next fiscal year.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Norman T. Edwards, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, CEMP-POD, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20314–1000; Ph: 202–761–1934.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Any interested persons may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

Brenda S. Bowen,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket Nos. 04–83–NG, 04–79–NG, 04–85–NG, 04–84–NG, 04–83–NG, 04–86–NG, 04–88–NG, 04–90–NG, 04–89–NG, 04–91–NG, and 01–44–LNG]

Office of Fossil Energy; San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Select Energy New York, Inc., BP Canada Energy Marketing Corp., Merrill Lynch Commodities, Inc., San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Glendale Water and Power, Cook Inlet Energy Supply L.L.C., Coenergy Trading Company, Premstar Energy Canada LP, United Energy Trading, LLC, Itochu Petroleum Japan Ltd.; Orders Granting, Amending, and Vacating Authority To Import and Export Natural Gas, Including Liquefied Natural Gas

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE. **ACTION:** Notice of Orders.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy gives notice that during September 2004, it issued Orders granting, amending, and vacating authority to import and export natural gas, including liquefied natural gas. These Orders are summarized in the attached appendix and may be found on the FE Web site at http://www.fe.doe.gov (select gas regulation). They are also available for inspection and copying in the Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, Docket Room 3E-033, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, 20585, (202) 586-9478. The Docket Room is open between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC on October 28, 2004.

R.F. Corbin,

Manager, Natural Gas Regulatory Activities, Office of Oil and Gas Global Security and Supply, Office of Fossil Energy.

Appendix—Orders Granting, Amending, and Vacating Import/Export Authorizations

Order No.	Date issued	Importer/exporter FE docket No.	Import volume	Export volume	Comments
2014	9-03-04	San Diego Gas & Electric Company 04–83–NG.	73 Bcf		Import natural gas from Canada, beginning on December 1, 2004, and extending through November 30, 2006.
2015	9–07–04	Select Energy New York, Inc. 04–79–NG.	15 Bcf		Import and export a combined total of natural gas from and to Canada, beginning on September 7, 2004, and extending through September 6, 2006.
2016	9–14–04	BP Canada Energy Marketing Corp. 04–85–NG.	500 Bcf		Import and export a combined total of natural gas from and to Canada, beginning on September 24, 2004, and extending through September 23, 2006.
2017	9–15–04	Merrill Lynch Commodities, Inc. 04–84–NG.	800 Bcf		Import and export a combined total of natural gas from and to Canada, beginning on October 1, 2004, and extending through September 30, 2006.
2014	9–21–04	San Diego Gas & Electric Company 04–83–NG.			Errata: Term of the authority was stated as beginning on December 1, 2004, amended to change the term as beginning on December 1, 2003.
2018	9–24–04	Glendale Water and Power 04-86-NG.	3.8 Bcf		Import from Canada, beginning on November 1, 2002, and extending through October 31, 2004.

Order No.	Date issued	Importer/exporter FE docket No.	Import volume	Export volume	Comments
2019	9–24–04	Cook Inlet Energy Supply L.L.C. 04–88–NG.	400 Bcf		Import and export a combined total of natural gas from and to Canada, beginning on September 20, 2004, and extending through September 19, 2006.
2020	9–24–04	CoEnergy Trading Company 04-90-NG.	150 Bcf	100 Bcf	Import and export natural gas from and to Canada, beginning on September 30, 2004, and extending through September 29, 2006.
2021	9–28–04	PremStar Energy Canada LP 04–89–NG.	400 Bcf		Import and export a combined total of natural gas from and to Canada, be- ginning on October 1, 2004, and extending through September 30, 2006.
2022	9–28–04	United Energy Trading LLC 04–91–NG.	400 Bcf		Import and export a combined total of natural gas from and to Canada, beginning on September 28, 2004, and extending through September 27, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC04-519-001, FERC-519]

Commission Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

October 28, 2004.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission, DOE. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and reinstatement of this information collection requirement. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier Federal Register notice of August 20, 2004 (69 FR 51658-51649) and has made this indication in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by November 29, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Address comments on the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Comments to OMB should be filed electronically, c/o Pamela_L._Beverly@omb.eop.gov and include the OMB Control No. as a point of reference. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202–395–7856. A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Executive

Director, ED-30, Attention: Michael Miller, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those persons filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filings, such comments should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and should refer to Docket No. IC04-519-001

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 and click on "Make an Efiling," and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgment to the sender's E-mail address upon receipt of comments. User assistance for electronic filings is available at 202-502-8258 or by e-mail to *efiling@ferc.gov*. Comments should not be submitted to the e-mail

All comments are available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http:// www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or tollfree 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:

Description

The information collection submitted for OMB review contains the following:

1. Collection of Information: FERC-519 "Application for Sale, Lease or Disposition, Merger or Consolidation of

Facilities or for Purchase or Acquisitions of Securities."

- 2. Sponsor: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
 - 3. Control No.: 1902-0082.

The Commission is now requesting that OMB review and approve with a three-year extension of the expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection. The information filed with the Commission is mandatory.

4. Necessity of the Collection of Information: Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the statutory provisions section 203 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824b. Section 203 authorizes the Commission to grant approval of transactions in which a public utility disposes of jurisdictional facilities, merges such facilities with the facilities owned by another person or acquires the securities of another public utility. Under this statute, the Commission must find that the proposed transaction will be consistent with the public interest. Section 318 of the FPA exempts certain persons from the requirements of section 203 that would otherwise concurrently apply under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

Under section 203 of the FPA, FERC must review proposed mergers, acquisitions and dispositions of jurisdictional facilities by public utilities, if the value of the facilities exceeds \$50,000, and must approve these transactions if they are consistent with the public interest. Today, one of FERC's overarching goals is to promote competition in wholesale power markets, having determined that effective competition, as opposed to traditional forms of price regulation, can best protect the interests of ratepayers. Market power, however, can be exercised to the detriment of effective competition and customers. Therefore, FERC regulates transmission service, mergers and wholesale rates so as to prevent the exercise of market power in bulk power markets. The Commission implements these filing requirements in