

Permit No. 917 (File No. P77-4#2) authorizes the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NMFS) to conduct three projects: 1) aerial and boat surveys, biopsy sampling and photo-identification of various cetacean species during stock assessment research; 2) capture, sample, tag and release pinnipeds during pinniped stock assessment research; and 3) collection of samples from animals of the Orders Cetacea and Pinnipedia [except walrus] for deposit into a scientific collection for research.

The amendment now authorizes the Northeast Fisheries Science Center to extend the permit to December 31, 2000.

Issuance of this amendment, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: June 28, 2000.

**Ann Terbush,**

*Chief, Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., App. 2), announcement is made of the following Committee meeting:

*Name of Committee:* Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) Program Subcommittee.

*Date of Meeting:* 11-13 July 2000.

*Place:* Sheraton Inn, Tacoma, Washington.

*Time:* 0800-1700 hours, 11 July; 0800-1200 hours 13 July.

*Proposed Agenda:* Review and discuss status of Army ROTC since the February 2000 meeting held at the Pentagon, Washington, DC.

This meeting is open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee. For further information contact: Commander, HQ U.S. Army Cadet Command, ATTN: ATCC-TT (MAJ Hewitt), Fort Monroe, VA 23651 (757) 728-5456.

**John W. Corbett,**

*Colonel, GS, Chief of Staff.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Office of Postsecondary Education

[CFDA No. 84.347]

#### Community Scholarship Mobilization Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 Under the Community Scholarship Mobilization Program

*Purpose of Program:* The Community Scholarship Mobilization Program is designed to establish and support regional, State, or community program centers, and to enable such centers to foster the development of local entities in high poverty areas that promote higher education goals for students from low-income families by:

(1) Providing academic support, including guidance, counseling, mentoring, tutoring, and recognition; and (2) Providing scholarship assistance for the cost of postsecondary education.

*Eligible Applicants:* National organizations as defined in the statute. A National organization may receive funds on a competitive basis to enable it to support the establishment or ongoing work of regional, State or community program centers. These centers foster the development of local entities in high poverty areas to improve secondary school graduation rates and postsecondary attendance through the provision of academic support services, including guidance, counseling, mentoring, tutoring, and recognition, and scholarship assistance for the cost of postsecondary education.

*Applications Available:* July 10, 2000.

*Deadline for Transmittal of*

*Applications:* August 16, 2000.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* September 15, 2000.

*Estimated Available Funds:* The amount referenced below is advisory and represents the Department's best estimate at this time. This will be the first year for the program. The estimated FY 2000 average size of an award will be \$990,000.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* Up to \$990,000.

*Estimated Size of Awards:* Up to \$990,000.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 1 or more.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 60 months.

*Applicable Regulations:* Regulations applicable to this program are the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 82, 85, 97, 98, 99 and the Higher Education Amendments of 1998, Title VIII, Part C.

That statute defines several key terms used in this notice.

*Selection Criteria:* In evaluating an application for a new grant under this competition, the Secretary uses selection criteria under 34 CFR 75.210 of EDGAR. The Secretary informs applicants in the application package of the selection criteria and factors, if any, to be used for this competition and of the maximum weight assigned to each criterion.

*For Further Information or Applications Contact:* Ms. Marion Steward, Institutional Development and Undergraduate Education Service, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20006-8517. Telephone: (202) 502-7594. The e-mail address for Ms. Steward is: [Marion\\_Steward@ed.gov](mailto:Marion_Steward@ed.gov).

We encourage applicants to send facsimile requests for applications to (202) 502-7861.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternative format the standard forms included in the application package.

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**Program Authority:** Pub. L. 105-244, the Higher Education Amendments of 1998, Title VIII, Part C.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

**Claudio Prieto,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-225]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Split Rock Energy LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Split Rock Energy LLC (Split Rock) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before August 4, 2000.

**ADDRESS:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Xavier Puslowski (Program Office) 202-586-4708 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.

**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 (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 5, 2000, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received an application from Split Rock to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. Split Rock is a Minnesota limited liability company jointly owned by Minnesota Power, Inc. and Great River Energy, a public power cooperative. Split Rock, a power marketer, intends to export energy produced by Minnesota Power Inc. or purchased from electric utilities and other suppliers in the United States.

Split Rock proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Canada over the existing international transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Detroit Edison Company, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Long Sault, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power Inc.,

Minnkota Power Cooperative, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company. The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by Split Rock, as more fully described in the application, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

### Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's rules of practice and procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Split Rock application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-225. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Steven W. Tyacke, Esq., Split Rock Energy LLC, 30 West Superior Street, Duluth, MN 55802.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Regulatory Programs," then "Electricity Regulation," and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

Issued in Washington, DC., on June 27, 2000.

**Anthony J. Como,**

*Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-185-A]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc.

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc. (Morgan Stanley) has applied for renewal of its authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before August 4, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Xavier Puslowski (Program Office) 202-586-4708 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 21, 1998, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) authorized Morgan Stanley to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer using the international electric transmission facilities owned and operated by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Detroit Edison, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power, Inc., Minnkota Power, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company. That two-year authorization will expire on August 21, 2000. On June 21, 2000, Morgan Stanley filed an application with FE for renewal of this export authority, requested that the Order be issued for an additional five-year term, and also requested that the international transmission facilities of Long Sault be added to the list of authorized export points.

### Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the