

addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Import/Export (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: Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-9624 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 October 17, 1994, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) issued Order No. EA-101 authorizing Avista (formerly Washington Water Power Company) to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada using the international electric transmission facilities owned and operated by Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). That Order authorized Avista to export firm capacity and associated energy only for the months of November, December, January, and February, and at a maximum rate of transmission of 100 megawatts (MW). On October 23, 1995, in Order No. EA-101-A, FE amended the previous electricity export authorization by authorizing exports during each month of the calendar year and at a maximum rate of transmission of 400 MW.

On November 8, 2000, Avista filed an application with FE to amend Order No. EA-101-A by increasing the maximum rate of transmission to 1,000 MW. Notice of receipt of that application appeared in the **Federal Register** on November 20, 2000. No comments were received during the 30-day comment period. On February 12, 2003, Avista submitted an amended application. In the amended application, Avista changed its request for a 1,000-MW export limit and, instead, requests that the authorized export limit be changed from 400 MW to an amount not to exceed the reliability and physical limits of the international transmission facilities presently owned by BPA. In its amended application, Avista clarified that the electric energy to be exported will be sold on an "as available" basis as system conditions dictate and as surpluses are available.

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 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Avista application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-101-B. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Richard L. Storro, Manager, Wholesale Power, Avista Corporation, P.O. Box 3727, Spokane, Washington 99220-3727 AND R. Blair Strong, Paine, Hamblen, Coffin, Brooke and Miller, 717 W. Sprague, Suite 1200, Spokane, WA 99201-3505.

DOE notes that the circumstances described in this application are virtually identical to those for which export authority had previously been granted in FE Order Nos. EA-101 and EA-101-A. Consequently, DOE believes that it has adequately satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 through the documentation of a categorical exclusion in the previous proceedings.

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

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 31, 2003.

Anthony J. Como,

Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Import/Export, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting

April 2, 2003.

The following notice of meeting is published pursuant to Section 3(A) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. 94-409), 5 U.S.C 552B:

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

DATE AND TIME: April 9, 2003, 10 a.m.

PLACE: Room 2C, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Agenda.

Note: Items listed on the agenda may be deleted without further notice.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, telephone (202) 502-8400 for a recording listing items stricken from or added to the meeting, call (202) 502-8627.

This is a list of matters to be considered by the commission. It does not include a listing of all papers relevant to the items on the agenda; however, all public documents may be examined in the reference and information center.

824th Meeting—April 9, 2003; Regular Meeting, 10:00 a.m.

Administrative Agenda

A-1.

Docket# AD02-1, 000, Agency Administrative Matters

A-2.

Docket# AD02-7, 000, Customer Matters, Reliability, Security and Market Operations

Markets, Tariffs and rates—Electric

E-1.

Omitted

E-2.

Docket# ER03-300, 000, Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Other#s ER03-300, 001, Pacific Gas and Electric Company

E-3.

Docket# ER03-401, 000, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
Other#s ER03-401, 001, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

E-4.

Omitted

E-5.

Docket# ER03-547, 000, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

E-6.

Docket# ER03-249, 000, Illinois Power Company
Other#s ER03-249, 001, Illinois Power Company

E-7.

Docket# ER03-560, 000, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation

E-8.

Docket# ER00-1053, 006, Maine Public Service Company
Other#s ER00-1053, 007, Maine Public Service Company
ER00-1053, 008, Maine Public Service Company

E-9.

Docket# ER98-1438, 012, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
Other#s ER98-1438, 013, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

ER02-111, 004, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
ER02-111, 005, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

E-10.

- Docket# ER03-13, 001, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.
Other#s ER03-13, 002, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.
- E-11.
Docket# ER01-3000, 006, International Transmission Company
Other#s RT01-101, 006, International Transmission Company
EC01-146, 006, DTE Energy Company
- E-12.
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- E-13.
Docket# ER02-1783, 000, Entergy Services, Inc.
- E-14.
Docket# ER03-95, 001, American Electric Power Service Corporation
- E-15.
Omitted
- E-16.
Docket# ER98-3760, 006, California Independent System Operator Corporation
Other#s EC96-19, 057, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Edison Company
ER96-1663, 060, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Edison Company
- E-17.
Docket# ER02-1021, 002, Ontario Energy Trading International Corp.
- E-18.
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- E-19.
Omitted
- E-20.
Omitted
- E-21.
Docket# PA02-2, 002, Fact-Finding Investigation into Possible Manipulation of Electric and Natural Gas Prices
- E-22.
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- E-23.
Docket# ER02-2595, 001, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
- E-24.
Docket# ER03-238, 001, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.
Other#s ER03-238, 002, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.
- E-25.
Docket# EL02-41, 001, Pittsfield Generating Company, L.P.
Other#s QF88-21, 010, Pittsfield Generating Company, L.P.
- E-26.
Omitted
- E-27.
Docket# ER03-169, 001, Tampa Electric Company
- E-28.
Docket# RM00-7, 008, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., New York Independent System Operator, Inc., PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
- E-29.
Docket# NJ03-1, 000, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation
- E-30.
Docket# EL03-48, 000, Oildale Energy LLC
Other#s QF84-518, 005, Oildale Energy LLC
- E-31.
Docket# ER02-1741, 001, Nevada Power Company
Other#s ER02-1742, 001, Nevada Power Company
ER02-2344, 000, Southern California Edison Company
- E-32.
Docket# EL01-93, 005, ISO New England, Inc.
Other#s EL01-93, 006, ISO New England, Inc.
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Docket# ER02-1264, 000, Cabrillo Power I LLC and Cabrillo Power II LLC
- Miscellaneous Agenda**
- M-1.
Docket# RM02-7, 000, Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Rate Filing Requirements for Asset Retirement Obligations
- M-2.
Docket# RM02-14, 000, Regulation of Cash Management Practices
- M-3.
Docket# RM03-6, 000, Amendments to Conform Regulations with Order No. 630 (Critical Energy Infrastructure Information Final Rule)
- Markets, Tariffs and Rates—Gas**
- G-1.
Docket# RP03-188, 000, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company
Other#s RP03-188, 001, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company
- G-2.
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- G-3.
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- G-4.
Docket# RP03-172, 000, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation
- G-5.
Docket# PR02-18, 000, Nicor Gas
Other#s PR02-18, 001, Nicor Gas
PR02-18, 002, Nicor Gas
- G-6.
Docket# RP02-241, 000, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.
Other#s RP02-241, 001, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.
RP02-241, 002, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.
- G-7.
Docket# RP00-407, 003, High Island Offshore System, L.L.C.
Other#s RP00-619, 004, High Island Offshore System, L.L.C.
RP03-118, 000, High Island Offshore System, L.L.C.
- G-8.
Docket# RP02-13, 005, Portland Natural Gas Transmission System
- G-9.
Docket# RP00-414, 001, PG&E Gas Transmission, Northwest Corporation
Other#s RP01-15, 002, PG&E Gas Transmission, Northwest Corporation
- G-10.
Docket# RP03-221, 001, High Island Offshore System, L.L.C.
- G-11.
Docket# RP00-479, 001, Trailblazer Pipeline Company
Other#s RP00-479, 002, Trailblazer Pipeline Company
RP00-624, 001, Trailblazer Pipeline Company
RP00-624, 002, Trailblazer Pipeline Company
- G-12.
Docket# RP00-332, 002 ANR Pipeline Company
Other#s RP00-332, 003, ANR Pipeline Company
RP00-597, 002, ANR Pipeline Company
RP03-182, 000, ANR Pipeline Company
- G-13.
Docket# CP00-6, 007, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.
Other#s CP00-6, 008, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.
RP03-173, 000, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.
- G-14.
Docket# GT02-34, 002, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America
Other#s GT02-34, 001, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America
- G-15.
Docket# RP03-19, 002, Florida Gas Transmission Company
- G-16.
Docket# RP02-335, 001, ANR Pipeline Company
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Docket# RP03-162, 002, Trailblazer Pipeline Company
- G-18.
Docket# RP98-53, 026, Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission L.L.C.
Other#s GP98-29, 001, ONEOK Resources Company
- G-19.
Docket# RP03-20, 002, Transwestern Pipeline Company
Other#s RP03-20, 001, Transwestern Pipeline Company
- G-20.
Docket# RP02-362, 004, PG&E Gas Transmission, Northwest Corporation
Other#s RP02-362, 003, PG&E Gas Transmission, Northwest Corporation
- Energy Projects—Hydro**
- H-1.
Docket# P-6058, 007, Hydro Development Group, Inc.
Other#s P-6058, 008, Hydro Development Group, Inc.
P-6059, 007, Hydro Development Group, Inc.
P-6059, 008, Hydro Development Group, Inc.
- H-2.
Docket# P-2311,047, Great Lakes Hydro America, LLC
Other#s P-2288, 042, Public Service Company of New Hampshire
- H-3.
Docket# P-2114, 111, The Yakama Nation v. Public Utilities District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington
- H-4.
Docket# P-400, 038, Willard Janke v. Public Service Company of Colorado

Energy Projects—Certificates

- C-1.
Docket# CP02-379, 001, Southern LNG Inc.
Other#s CP02-379, 000, Southern LNG Inc.
CP02-380, 000, Southern LNG Inc.
CP02-380, 001, Southern LNG Inc.
- C-2.
Docket# CP02-90, 000, AES Ocean Express, LLC
Other#s CP02-90, 001, AES Ocean Express, LLC
CP02-91, 000, AES Ocean Express, LLC
CP02-92, 000, AES Ocean Express, LLC
CP02-93, 000, AES Ocean Express, LLC
CP02-93, 001, AES Ocean Express, LLC
- C-3.
Docket# CP01-444, 000, Tractebel Calypso Pipeline, LLC
Other#s CP01-444, 001, Tractebel Calypso Pipeline, LLC
CP01-444, 002, Tractebel Calypso Pipeline, LLC
- C-4.
Docket# CP01-79, 000, ANR Pipeline Company
- C-5.
Docket# CP01-388, 002, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation
- C-6.
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- C-7.
Docket# CP02-396, 001, Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC
Other#s CP02-396, 000, Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC
CP02-397, 000, Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC
CP02-397, 001, Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC
CP02-398, 000, Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC
CP02-398, 001, Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC

Magalie R. Salas,*Secretary.*

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BILLING CODE 6717-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Meeting, Notice of Vote, Explanation of Action Closing Meeting and List of Persons To Attend; Sunshine Act**

April 2, 2003.

The following notice of meeting is published pursuant to section 3(a) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. No. 94-409), 5 U.S.C. 552b:

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.**DATE AND TIME:** April 9, 2003 (Within a relatively short time before or after the regular Commission Meeting).**PLACE:** Hearing Room 6, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.**STATUS:** Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Non-Public Investigations and Inquiries, and Enforcement Related Matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Telephone (202) 502-8400.

Chairman Wood and Commissioners Massey and Brownell voted to hold a closed meeting on April 9, 2003. The certification of the General Counsel explaining the action closing the meeting is available for public inspection in the Commission's Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Chairman and the Commissioners, their assistants, the Commission's Secretary and her assistant, the General Counsel and members of her staff, and a stenographer are expected to attend the meeting. Other staff members from the Commission's program offices who will advise the Commissioners in the matters discussed will also be present.

Magalie R. Salas,*Secretary.*

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BILLING CODE 6717-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Western Area Power Administration****Loveland Area Projects—Extension of Transmission and Ancillary Service Rates—Rate Order No. WAPA-101****AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.**ACTION:** Notice of rate order.

SUMMARY: This action is being taken to extend the existing Loveland Area Projects (LAP) Transmission and Ancillary Service rates, Rate Order No. WAPA-80, and Energy Imbalance Service rate, Rate Order No. WAPA-97, through March 31, 2004. The existing LAP Transmission and Ancillary Service rates and the Energy Imbalance Service rate will expire March 31, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Daniel T. Payton, Rates Manager, Rocky Mountain Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 3700, Loveland, CO 80539-3003, (970) 461-7442, or e-mail dpayton@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By Delegation Order No. 00-0037.00 approved December 6, 2001, the Secretary delegated: (1) The authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a non-exclusive basis to Western's Administrator; (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place

such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The Deputy Secretary approved the existing Rate Schedules L-NT1, L-FPT1, L-NFPT1, L-AS1, L-AS2, L-AS3, L-AS4, L-AS5, and L-AS6 on March 23, 1998 (Rate Order No. WAPA-80, 63 FR 16778, April 6, 1998). FERC confirmed and approved the formula rate schedules for Rate Order No. WAPA-80 on July 21, 1998, under FERC Docket No. EF98-5181-000 (at 84 FERC ¶ 61,066). The existing formula rates became effective on April 1, 1998, and are approved through March 31, 2003.

Subsequently, Rate Schedule L-AS4, Energy Imbalance Service, was revised and approved by the Secretary on May 30, 2002 (Rate Order No. WAPA-97, 67 FR 39970, June 11, 2002). Rate Order No. WAPA-97 became effective July 1, 2002, and is approved through March 31, 2003. FERC confirmed and approved the formula rate schedule for Energy Imbalance Service on February 3, 2003 (Docket No. EF02-5181-000).

Western's existing formula rate schedules, which are recalculated annually, will sufficiently recover project expenses (including interest) and capital requirements through the extension period. Western is seeking this extension to provide more time for the evaluation of new rates for ancillary services, particularly energy imbalance and regulation, and to provide a concurrent public process and rate approval period for new rates for firm electric service, transmission service, and ancillary services. For these reasons, Western is extending the existing rates for transmission and ancillary services through March 31, 2004, under 10 CFR part 903.23(b).

I approved Rate Order No. WAPA-101 after DOE reviewed Western's proposal. My approval extends the existing LAP transmission and ancillary services rate schedules L-NT1, L-FPT1, L-NFPT1, L-AS1, L-AS2, L-AS3, L-AS4, L-AS5, and L-AS6 through March 31, 2004.

Dated: March 20, 2003.

Kyle E. McSlarrow,*Deputy Secretary.***Order Confirming and Approving an Extension of the Loveland Area Projects Transmission and Ancillary Service Rates**

The Loveland Area Projects (LAP) Transmission and Ancillary Service rates were established following section