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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Project Description

The natural gas-fired combustion turbine combined cycle power plant proposed by LSP Energy Limited Partnership to satisfy the requirements of the OPA would be located on a 50 acre site in the Batesville Industrial Park. The industrial park fronts the east side of Mississippi Highway 35 at Brewer Road and is within the Batesville city limits. The power plant would consist of two or more natural gas fired combustion turbine-generators, two or more heat recovery steam generators and exhaust stacks, one or more steam turbine-generators, wet mechanical draft cooling towers, fuel oil storage tanks for backup fuel, feedwater and wastewater treatment systems, a 161 kilovolt switchyard, a control building, and other minor appurtenances and equipment necessary for plant operation and maintenance.

Other actions necessary for operation of the power plant include development and operation of water supply and conveyance systems, construction and operation of wastewater treatment with conveyance and outfall, construction and operation of one or more natural gas pipeline taps and conveyances, construction and operation of an interconnection between the plant switchyard and the TVA Batesville Substation, and construction and operation of improvements to the Batesville Substation. Other improvements to the TVA power transmission system may be necessary to support plant operation.

TVA's Integrated Resource Plan

TVA's integrated resource plan and final programmatic environmental impact statement, Energy Vision 2020, was completed in December 1995. Energy Vision 2020 contains recommendations for meeting future TVA customer energy requirements. Call options (option purchase agreements) are recommended as one component of TVA's preferred alternative which is a portfolio of energy resource options. The Energy Vision 2020 short-term action plan for the years 1996-2002 recommends that TVA purchase call options for up to 3,000 MW of peaking and base load capacity additions to be available in the years 1998 to 2002.

Proposed Issues to be Addressed

The EIS will describe the existing environmental, cultural, and recreational resources that may be

potentially affected by construction and operation of the project. TVA's evaluation of potential environmental impacts due to project construction and operation will include, but not necessarily be limited to the impacts on air quality, water quality, aquatic and terrestrial ecology, endangered and threatened species, wetland resources, aesthetics and visual resources, noise, land use, cultural resources, and socioeconomic resources. Because the proposed project is to be located in an industrial park, the on-site issues of terrestrial wildlife, vegetation, and land use are not likely to be important.

TVA's Integrated Resource Plan, Energy Vision 2020, identifies and evaluates TVA's need for additional energy resources and the environmental impacts of alternative energy resources.

Alternatives

The results from evaluating the potential environmental impacts related to these issues and other important issues identified in the scoping process together with engineering and economic considerations will be used in selecting a preferred alternative. At this time, TVA has identified as alternatives for detailed evaluation in the EIS: (1) Not exercising the OPA (No Action), and (2) Exercising the OPA.

Scoping Process

Scoping, which is integral to the NEPA process, is a procedure that solicits public input to the EIS process to ensure that: (1) Issues are identified early and properly studied; (2) issues of little significance do not consume substantial time and effort; (3) the draft EIS is thorough and balanced; and (4) delays caused by an inadequate EIS are avoided. TVA's NEPA procedures require that the scoping process commence after a decision has been reached to prepare an EIS in order to provide an early and open process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying the significant issues related to a proposed action. The scope of issues to be addressed in a draft EIS will be determined, in part, from written comments submitted by mail, and comments presented orally or in writing at a public meeting. The preliminary identification of reasonable alternatives and environmental issues is not meant to be exhaustive or final. TVA considers the scoping process to be open and dynamic in the sense that alternatives other than those given above may warrant study and new matters may be identified for potential evaluation.

The scoping process will include both interagency and public scoping. The

public is invited to submit written comments or e-mail comments on the scope of this EIS no later than the date given under the DATES section of this notice and/or attend the public scoping meeting. TVA will conduct a public meeting on the scope of the EIS in Batesville, Mississippi on September 5, 1996. The meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the offices of the Tallahatchie Valley Electric Power Association located at 200 Power Drive just west of the intersection of Mississippi Highway 6 and U.S. Interstate Highway 55.

The agencies to be included in the interagency scoping are U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Mississippi Historical Commission, and other federal, state and local agencies as appropriate.

Upon consideration of the scoping comments, TVA will develop alternatives and identify important environmental issues to be addressed in the EIS. Following analysis of the environmental consequences of each alternative, TVA will prepare a draft EIS for public review and comment. Notice of availability of the draft EIS will be published by the Environmental Protection Agency in the Federal Register. TVA will solicit written comments on the draft EIS, and information about possible public meetings to comment on the draft EIS will be announced. TVA expects to release a final EIS by May 1997.

Dated: August 8, 1996.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

APEC Intellectual Property Rights Contact Point List: Request for Applications for Inclusion on the List of Private-Sector Individuals Interested in Intellectual Property Rights in the Asia-Pacific Region

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice; request for submission of applications for inclusion on list of private-sector individuals working in the area of intellectual property rights protection in the Asia-Pacific region.

SUMMARY: The ad hoc working group on intellectual property operating under the auspices of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum is

creating a contact point list of individuals from the public and private sectors who work in the area of intellectual property rights protection (the Contact Point List). The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is notifying persons of the Contact Point List, and invites interested individuals from the private sector to submit an application for inclusion on the List.

DATES: Applications for inclusion on the Contact Point List should be submitted on or before September 16, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted in the form noted below to Sybia Harrison, Office of the General Counsel, Room 222, Attn: APEC IPR Contact Point List, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jo Ellen Urban, Director for Intellectual Property, (202) 395-6864, or Thomas Robertson, Associate General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, (202) 395-6800, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: An ad hoc group of intellectual property authorities from the various economies participating in APEC has met on a number of occasions to discuss the protection of intellectual property in the Asia-Pacific region. This ad hoc group is moving forward on a number of collective actions, one of which is the creation of a contact point list of public and private sector individuals from APEC economies engaged in the area of intellectual property rights. This list will be placed on the Internet in early 1997, and is intended to allow persons working in this field to identify each other easily and, as appropriate, to contact each other. The list will be divided into public sector and private sector sections, and may be further divided into intellectual property subject matter areas.

All interested persons, from academia to industry, are invited to submit written applications for inclusion on the Contact Point List. An original and three copies of the application should be sent to Sybia Harrison at the above-noted address on or before September 16, 1996. Applications must be in English and take the following form:

Name:
Title:
Area(s) of interest (e.g., patents, copyrights, trademarks, etc.):
Address:
Telephone/Fax numbers:

When forwarding these applications to APEC for inclusion on the Contact

Point List, the United States Government will clarify that it does not vouch for the accuracy of the information submitted or the qualifications of the individuals identified.

Irving Williamson,

Deputy General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act of 1974: Systems of Records

AGENCY: Operating Administrations, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice to amend and delete systems of records.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 14, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send Comments to the Privacy Act Officer, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington DC 20590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Bush at (202) 366-9713.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Transportation systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the above mentioned address.

The specific changes to the records systems being amended are set forth below followed by the notices, as amended, and is published in their entirety. The proposed amendments are not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered systems report.

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SYSTEM NAME:

Station Message Detail Recording (SMDR).

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

None.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

U.S. Department of Transportation, Transportation Administrative Service Center, Telecommunications Operations, SVC-171, PL-300, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Department of Transportation employees who make Federal

Telecommunications Systems (FTS) and Domestic and International Commercial Long Distance calls from the three Headquarters Buildings: The Nassif and Transpoint Buildings and Federal Building-10A.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Records relating to the use of the Department's administrative telephones to place FTS and Commercial Long Distance calls, records indicating assignment of telephone numbers to Departmental employees, and records relating to the location of telephones.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

49 U.S.C. 322.

PURPOSE(S):

To track usage of DOT telephones to place FTS and Commercial Long Distance calls, records indicating assignment of telephone numbers to Departmental employees, and records relating to the location of telephones.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

See Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

None.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Magnetic tape storage via batch processing and paper copy.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Records are retrieved by telephone number or routing symbol, from the telecommunications contacts in the Operating Administrations and the Telecommunications Operations Branch.

SAFEGUARDS:

Only telecommunications personnel within the Transportation Administrative Service Center (TASC) and operation and maintenance contract personnel have access to tapes. Telecommunications contacts and managers in TASC and the Operating Administrations will have access to printed records. Printed records will have a cover sheet indicating Privacy Act coverage.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records are disposed of as provided in National Archives and Records Administration General Records Schedule 12.