

including economic incentives—such as user fees or marketable permits—to encourage the desired behavior, or provide information that enables the public to make choices.

Executive Order 13563 also requires an agency “to use the best available techniques to quantify anticipated present and future benefits and costs as accurately as possible.” The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB has emphasized that these techniques may include “identifying changing future compliance costs that might result from technological innovation or anticipated behavioral changes.”

We are taking this regulatory action only on a reasoned determination that its benefits justify its costs. In choosing among alternative regulatory approaches, we selected those approaches that maximize net benefits. Based on the analysis that follows, the Department believes that this proposed priority is consistent with the principles in Executive Order 13563.

We also have determined that this regulatory action would not unduly interfere with State, local, and tribal governments in the exercise of their governmental functions.

In accordance with both Executive orders, the Department has assessed the potential costs and benefits of this regulatory action. The potential costs associated with this regulatory action are those resulting from statutory requirements and those we have determined as necessary for administering the Department’s programs and activities.

The benefits of the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Programs have been well established over the years in that similar projects have been completed successfully. This proposed priority would generate new knowledge through research and development. Another benefit of this proposed priority is that the establishment of new DRRPs would improve the lives of individuals with disabilities. The new DRRP would generate, disseminate, and promote the use of new information that would improve the options for individuals with disabilities to perform activities of their choice in the community.

Intergovernmental Review: This program is not subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79.

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Dated: March 2, 2012.

Alexa Posny,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Electricity Subsector Cybersecurity Risk Management Process Guideline

AGENCY: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on DOE’s intent to publish the Electricity Subsector Cybersecurity Risk Management Process Guideline. The guideline describes a risk management process that is targeted to the specific needs of electricity sector organizations. The objective of the guideline is to build upon existing guidance and requirements to develop a flexible risk management process tuned to the diverse missions, equipment, and business needs of the electric power industry.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before Thursday, April 5, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted to Matthew Light, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, 1000 Independence Ave.

SW., Washington, DC 20585; Fax 202–586–2623; Email: matthew.light@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Request for additional information should be directed to Matthew Light at matthew.light@hq.doe.gov, phone 202–316–5115.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE

invites public comment on DOE’s intent to publish a guidance document entitled: Electricity Subsector Cybersecurity Risk Management Process Guideline. The primary goal of this guideline is to describe a risk management process that is targeted to the specific needs of electricity sector organizations. The objective of the guideline is to build upon existing guidance and requirements to develop a flexible risk management process tuned to the diverse missions, equipment, and business needs of the electric power industry.

The Electricity Subsector Cybersecurity Risk Management Process guideline was developed by the DOE, in collaboration with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), and representatives from both the public and private sector. The NIST Special Publication 800–39, Managing Information Security Risk provides the foundational methodology for this document.

The Electricity Sector Cybersecurity Risk Management Process Guideline is available for review at: <http://energy.gov/oe/downloads/draft-cybersecurity-risk-management-process-rmp-guideline>.

Authority: Homeland Security Presidential Directive 7 (HSPD–7).

Issued at Washington, DC, on March 1, 2012.

Patricia A. Hoffman,

Assistant Secretary, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Project No. 14364–000]

Three Sisters Irrigation District; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, Protests, Recommendations, and Terms and Conditions

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application*: Conduit Exemption.

b. *Project No.*: 14364–000.

c. *Date filed*: February 8, 2012.

d. *Applicant*: Three Sisters Irrigation District.

e. *Name of Project*: Three Sisters Irrigation District Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: The proposed Three Sisters Irrigation District Hydroelectric Project would be located on the north pipe of the Three Sisters Irrigation District's Main Canal Pipeline in Deschutes County, Oregon. The land on which all the project structures is owned by the applicant.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Marc Thalacker, P.O. Box 2230, Sisters, OR 97759, phone (541) 549–8815.

i. *FERC Contact*: Kelly Houff, (202) 502–6393, Kelly.Houff@ferc.gov.

j. *Status of Environmental Analysis*: This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

k. *Deadline for filing responsive documents*: Due to the small size of the proposed project, as well as the resource agency consultation letters filed with the application, the 60-day timeframe specified in 18 CFR 4.34(b) for filing all comments, motions to intervene, protests, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions is shortened to 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments filed in response to comments submitted by any resource agency, Indian tribe, or person, must be filed with the Commission within 45 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, it must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

l. *Description of Project*: The Three Sisters Irrigation District Hydroelectric Project would consist of: (1) An intake

pipe approximately 40 feet in length; (2) a powerhouse containing one proposed generating unit with an installed capacity of 700 kilowatts; (3) a discharge pipe approximately 50 feet in length; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The applicant estimates the project would have an average annual generation of 3,400 megawatt-hours.

m. This filing is available for review and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, P–14364, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1–866–208–3676 or email

FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for review and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. *Development Application*—Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

o. *Notice of Intent*—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit a competing development application. A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

p. *Protests or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

q. All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING

APPLICATION", "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and seven copies to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Dated: March 1, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG12–35–000.

Applicants: Stephentown Spindle, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification as an Exempt Wholesale Generator of Stephentown Spindle, LLC.
Filed Date: 2/29/12.

Accession Number: 20120229–5099.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/21/12.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings: