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**Authority:** Public Law 107-279, Title III—National Assessment of Educational Progress § 301.

Dated: April 24, 2018.

**William J. Bushaw,**  
Executive Director, National Assessment  
Governing Board (NAGB), U.S. Department  
of Education.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2018-ICCD-0050]

### Public Comment Request; Historically Black College and University (HBCU) Capital Financing Program Deferment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** ED is requesting public comment on a proposed instrument.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 9, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review the document related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED-2018-ICCD-0050. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 216-44, Washington, DC 20202-4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions, please contact Donald Watson, Executive Director, Historically Black College and

University (HBCU) Capital Financing Program, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 278-02, Washington, DC 20202; telephone: (202) 453-6166; email: [donald.watson@ed.gov](mailto:donald.watson@ed.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education is seeking feedback from the public on a proposed Deferment Request for the HBCU Capital Financing Program. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing how the Department might enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. This collection of information does not require OMB review and approval because the proposed instrument will not collect data from ten or more entities. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**Abstract:** The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 provided \$10,000,000 to be used for the deferment of loans made to private Historically Black Colleges and Universities under part D of title III of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. The proposed information collection will be used to determine each applicant's eligibility for deferment, obtain required documentation and assurances to support the deferment request, and prioritize among applicants if requests exceed appropriations.

Dated: April 25, 2018.

**Tomakie Washington,**

Acting Director, Information Collection  
Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy  
Officer, Office of Management.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-451]

### Application to Export Electric Energy; Viasyn, Inc.

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Viasyn, Inc. (Applicant) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before May 30, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed

to: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be transmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov), or by facsimile to 202-586-8008.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On March 30, 2018, DOE received an application from the Applicant for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities. Viasyn intends to apply for market-based rate authority with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC), however, it has not made that application at this point in time.

In its application, the Applicant states that it does not own or control any electric generation or transmission facilities, and it does not have a franchised service area. The electric energy that the Applicant proposes to export to Mexico would be surplus energy purchased from third parties such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have previously been authorized by Presidential Permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning the Applicant's application to export electric energy to Mexico should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-451. An additional copy is to be provided to RJ Schembs, Viasyn, Inc., 2440 Camino Ramon, Suite 299, San Ramon, CA 94583.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or 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, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Angela Troy at [Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov).

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 24, 2018.

**Christopher Lawrence,**

*Electricity Policy Analyst, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### State Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Teleconference

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a teleconference call of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Friday, May 18, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (EDT). To receive the call-in number and passcode, please contact the Board's Designated Federal Officer at the address or phone number listed below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Li, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20585. Phone number 202-287-5718, and email: [michael.li@ee.doe.gov](mailto:michael.li@ee.doe.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Board:* To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy

Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

*Tentative Agenda:* Welcome new STEAB members. Discuss priorities of the Board for the near future. Understand the interests of the members. Updates from the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Michael Li at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

*Minutes:* The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 60 days on the STEAB website at: <http://www.energy.gov/eere/steab/state-energy-advisory-board>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on April 24, 2017.

**Latanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER18-1427-000]

#### Rio Bravo Rocklin, a California Joint Venture; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding Rio Bravo Rocklin, A California Joint Venture's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal

Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is May 14, 2018.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for electronic review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the website that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: April 24, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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