

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests is July 11, 2008.

Absent a request to be heard in opposition to such blanket approvals by the deadline above, KD Power is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of KD Power, compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approvals of KD Power's issuance of securities or assumptions of liability.

Copies of the full text of the Director's Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the eLibrary link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. 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 the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

[FR Doc. E8-13951 Filed 6-19-08; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6717-01-P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-8582-9]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at 202-564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 11, 2008 (73 FR 19833).

Draft EISs

EIS No. 20070299, ERP No. D-AFS-J65488-WY, Battle Park Cattle and Horse (C&H) and Mistymoon Sheep and Goat (S&G) Allotment Project, Proposes to Continue Livestock Grazing on both Allotments, Powder River District Ranger, Bighorn National Forest, Bighorn County, WY.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to soil and water resources, and recommended including more information on water quality, current extent of invasive species, and drought mitigation planning. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080015, ERP No. D-BLM-J65505-WY, Westside Land Conveyance Project, Congressionally-Mandated Transfer of 16,500 Acres of Public Land to the Westside Irrigation District, Big Horn and Washakie Counties, WY.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about water quality impacts from crop production on newly irrigated lands. The final EIS should include measures to avoid or mitigate impacts to the Big Horn River. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080092, ERP No. D-BIA-J01082-MT, Absaloka Mine Crow Reservation South Extension Coal Lease Approval, Proposed Mine Development Plan, and Related Federal and State Permitting Actions, Crow Indian Reservation, Crow Tribe, Bighorn County, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to ground and surface water and cumulative air impacts. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080119, ERP No. D-USN-K10011-CA, Southern California Range Complex, To Organize, Train, Equip, and Maintain Combat-Ready Naval Forces, San Diego, Orange and Los Angeles Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to marine resources. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20080133, ERP No. D-NPS-G65108-TX, Guadalupe Mountains National Park, General Management Plan, Implementation, Culberson and Hudspeth Counties, TX.

Summary: EPA does not object to the preferred alternative. Rating LO.

Final EISs

EIS No. 20080140, ERP No. F-DOI-J39030-UT, Lower Duchesne River Wetlands Mitigation Project (LDWP), Restoration Measures in the Lower Duchesne River Area, Strawberry Aqueduct and Collection System (SACS) on portion of the Strawberry

Reservoir, Implementation, Ute Indian Tribe, NPDES and U.S. Army COE section 404 Permits, Duchesne, Utah, Uintah Counties, UT.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

EIS No. 20080145, ERP No. F-FRC-F03011-00, Rockies Express Pipeline Project, (REX-East), Construction and Operation of Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities, WY, NE, MO, IL, IN and OH.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about impacts to surface/ground water, wetlands, air quality, and upland forest habitat, and recommends additional mitigation plans/measures be included in the ROD or equivalent FERC order.

EIS No. 20080152, ERP No. F-FRC-E05103-NC, Yadkin—Yadkin-Pee Dee Hydro Electric Project (Docket Nos. P-2197-073 & P-2206-030), Issuance of New Licenses for the Existing and Proposed Hydropower Projects, Yadkin—Yadkin-Pee Dee Rivers, Davidson, Davie, Montgomery, Rowan, Stanly, Anson and Richmond Counties, NC.

Summary: EPA's previous concerns have been resolved; therefore, EPA does not object to the proposed action.

EIS No. 20080178, ERP No. F-AFS-J65486-UT, Big Creek Vegetation Treatment Project, Preferred Alternative is 1, To Treat 4,800 Acres of Aspen Conifer and Sagebrush Communities, Ogden Ranger District, Wasatch-Cache National Forest, Rich County, UT.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

EIS No. 20080151, ERP No. FA-AFS-K65286-CA, Watdog Project, Additional Clarification of Changes Between the Final EIS (2005) and Final Supplement EIS (2007), Feather River Ranger District, Plumas National Forest, Butte and Plumas Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about cumulative impacts to watersheds and short-term impacts to old-forest species, and recommends a less-intensive harvest alternative.

EIS No. 20080173, ERP No. FS-FTA-G40190-TX, North Corridor Fixed Guideway Project, Updated/Additional Information on the Locally Preferred Alternative, Propose Transit Improvements from University of Houston (UH)—Downtown Station to Northline Mall, Harris County, TX.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

EIS No. 20080179, ERP No. FS-FTA-G40191-TX, Southeast Corridor Project, Preferred Alternative is the Light Rail Alternative, Proposed Fixed-Guideway Transit System, Funding, Metropolitan Transit Authority (METRO) of Harris County, Houston, Harris County, TX.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

Dated: June 17, 2008.

Robert W. Hargrove,
Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

[FR Doc. E8-14004 Filed 6-19-08; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6560-50-P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-8582-8]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed 06/09/2008 through 06/13/2008 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 20080234, Draft EIS, AFS, WA, Dosewallips Road Washout Project, to Reestablish Road Access to both Forest Service Road (FSR) 2610 and Dosewallips Road, Hood Canal Ranger District Olympic National Forest, Olympic National Park, Jefferson County, WA, *Comment Period Ends:* 08/19/2008, *Contact:* Tim Davis 360-956-2375.

EIS No. 20080235, Final Supplement, NOA, AK, Cook Inlet Beluga Whale Subsistence Harvest Project, Proposes to Implement a Long-Term Harvest Plan and Fulfill the Federal Government's Trust Responsibility, Cook Inlet, AK, *Wait Period Ends:* 07/21/2008, *Contact:* Robert D Mecum 907-586-7235.

EIS No. 20080236, Final EIS, BIA, WA, Spokane Tribes Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP) for the Spokane Indian Reservation, Implementation, Stevens County, WA, *Wait Period Ends:* 07/21/2008, *Contact:* Donna Smith 509-258-4561.

EIS No. 20080237, Draft EIS, NPS, SD, Wind Cave National Park Project, Elk General Management Plan, Implementation, Custer County, SD, *Comment Period Ends:* 08/18/2008, *Contact:* Nick Chevance 402-661-1844.

EIS No. 20080238, Draft EIS, AFS, WY, Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Route

Designation Project, Proposing to Improve Management of Public Summer Motorized Use (May 1–November 30) by Designating Roads and Motorized Trails, Bridger-Teton National Forest, Buffalo, Jackson and Big Piney Ranger Districts, Teton, Lincoln and Sublette Counties, WY, *Comment Period Ends:* 08/04/2008, *Contact:* Linda Merigliano 307-739-5428.

EIS No. 20080239, Draft Supplement, UAF, MA, Pave Paws Early Warning Radar Operation Project, Continued Operation of the Solid-State Phased-Array Radar System (SSPARS), also known as Pave, Phased Array Warning Systems (PAWS), Cape Cod Air Force Station, MA, *Comment Period Ends:* 08/04/2008, *Contact:* Lynne Neuman 719-554-6406.

EIS No. 20080240, Draft EIS, DOA, 00, PROGRAMMATIC—Geothermal Leasing in the Western United States, *Comment Period Ends:* 09/17/2008, *Contact:* Jack G. Peterson 208-373-4048.

Department of the Interior/Bureau of Land Management and Department of Agriculture/Forest Service's are Joint Lead Agencies for the above project. The contact person for (BLM) is Jack G. Peterson at 208-373-4048 and the contact person for (AFS) is Tracy Parker at 703-605-4796.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 20080125, Draft EIS, FHW, NC, I-26 Connector Project, Proposed Multi-Land Freeway from I-40 to US19-23-70 North of Asheville, Funding, U.S. Coast Guard Permit, U.S. Army COE section 10 and 404 Permit, Buncombe County, Asheville, NC, *Comment Period Ends:* 06/23/2008, *Contact:* John F. Sullivan III, P.E. 919-856-4346 Ext. 122.

Revision of FR Notice Published 04/11/2008: Extending Comment from 05/19/2008 to 06/23/2008.

EIS No. 20080186, Draft EIS, FAA, NV, City of Mesquite, Proposed Replacement General Aviation Airport, Implementation, Clark County, NV, *Comment Period Ends:* 07/18/2008, *Contact:* Barry Franklin 650-876-2778.

Revision to FR Notice Publish 05/16/2008: Extending Comment from 07/03/2008 to 07/18/2008.

Dated: June 17, 2008.

Robert W. Hargrove,
Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

[FR Doc. E8-14005 Filed 6-19-08; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6560-50-P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2008-0449; FRL-8683-4]

Proposed Approval of the Central Characterization Project's Transuranic Waste Characterization Program at Oak Ridge National Laboratory

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability; opening of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or we) is announcing the availability of, and soliciting public comments for 45 days on, the proposed approval of the radioactive, contact-handled (CH), transuranic (TRU) waste characterization program implemented by the Central Characterization Project (CCP) at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. This waste is intended for disposal at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in New Mexico.

In accordance with the WIPP Compliance Criteria, EPA evaluated the characterization of CH TRU debris waste from ORNL-CCP during an inspection conducted the week of November 13, 2007. Using the systems and processes developed as part of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE's) Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) program, EPA verified whether DOE could adequately characterize CH TRU waste consistent with the Compliance Criteria. The results of EPA's evaluation of ORNL-CCP's program and its proposed approval are described in the Agency's inspection report, which is available for review in the public dockets listed in **ADDRESSES**. We will consider public comments received on or before the due date mentioned in **DATES**.

This notice summarizes the waste characterization processes evaluated by EPA and EPA's proposed approval. As required by the 40 CFR 194.8, at the end of a 45-day comment period EPA will evaluate public comments received, and if appropriate, finalize the reports responding to the relevant public comments, and issue a final report and approval letter to DOE.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 4, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2008-0449, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: a-and-r-docket@epa.gov.
- Fax: 202-566-1741.