

requirements, BPA will prepare a floodplain and wetlands assessment and would perform this proposed action in a manner so as to avoid or minimize potential harm to or within the affected floodplain and wetlands. After BPA issues the assessment, a floodplain statement of findings will be published in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Comments are due to the address below no later than March 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to Communications, Bonneville Power Administration—KC-7, P.O. Box 12999, Portland, Oregon, 97212. Internet address: comment@bpa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gene Lynard, Environmental Project Lead, KECN-4, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208-3621, phone number 503-230-3790, fax number 503-230-5699.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Wetlands in the project area are primarily associated with the floodplains of the Snoqualmie River and its tributaries. The proposed transmission line route would cross a number of small wetlands, which support no unique flora or fauna. Most wetlands crossed are narrow and would be spanned where practical. Impacts would be primarily related to the removal of trees, which would threaten transmission line safety from wetlands and associated buffers. The largest wetland area crossed is located about one mile northwest of the City of North Bend along North Bend Way in Section 5, 23N, 8E. This is a large diverse wetland associated with Kimball Creek. The proposed transmission line alignment bisects this Pulustrian scrub/shrub and forested wetland for a distance of about 0.8 kilometers (0.5 miles). The project would be located within the North Bend Way right-of-way (at this location) and no structures would be placed within the wetland; however, the transmission line would be located within the 50-foot buffer of this sensitive area.

Wetlands could be affected if construction activities alter wetland vegetation, soils or hydrology. Construction and clearing activities and any necessary road improvements could also potentially affect sediment transport, damage vegetation and wildlife habitat, and reduce a wetland's ability to provide for flood and sediment control.

Maps and further information are available from BPA at the address above.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Supplemental Announcement Number 02, Hydrogen Technical Analysis, to the Broad Based Solicitation (DE-PS36-00GO10482) for Submission of Financial Assistance Applications Involving Research, Development and Demonstration

AGENCY: The Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Request for applications for technical analysis efforts in support of the DOE Hydrogen Program.

SUMMARY: The DOE Office of Power Technologies is funding a competitive financial assistance program in support of the DOE Hydrogen Program. Applications are requested under a DOE Broad Based Solicitation that is anticipated to result in the award of one or more cooperative agreements in Fiscal Year 2000.

Background Information

The Office of Power Technologies (OPT) of the DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) is supporting the issuance of a Supplemental Announcement to the EERE Broad Based Solicitation for Submission of Financial Assistance Applications Involving Research, Development and Demonstration, DE-PS36-00GO10482. The Broad Based Solicitation contains information that must be used in conjunction with the Supplemental Announcement when applying for an award. Thus, in order to prepare a complete application, it is mandatory to comply with the requirements of the overall Broad Based Solicitation document, DE-PS36-00GO10482 (found on the Golden Field Office Home Page at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/golden/solicitations.html>) as well as the requirements of the Supplemental Announcement 02 document.

Under this Supplemental Announcement, DOE is seeking applications for technical analysis that can advance hydrogen production, storage, and utilization technologies. The objectives are to provide analysis in the following areas: (1) Technical analysis of projects now funded by the

DOE Hydrogen Program, (2) analysis of novel hydrogen systems not currently being researched in the Program, (3) assistance in disseminating hydrogen-related information to the public and industry, and (4) technical analysis on matters affecting hydrogen-related issues being considered by the International Energy Agency.

It is anticipated that projects may be selected for initial 12-month awards with possible continuations for up to two additional years. DOE is proposing to undertake this effort under the Hydrogen Future Act of 1996, Public Law 104-271. Awards, if any, will result from a merit review process applied to the applications.

DATES: Applications should be submitted as described in the Supplemental Announcement by March 31, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401. The Contract Specialist is Beth H. Peterman, at facsimile (303) 275-4788, or e-mail at beth_peterman@nrel.gov. The Supplemental Announcement can be obtained from the GFO website at www.eren.doe.gov/golden/solicitations.html as of February 22, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Entergy Power Marketing Corporation v. Southwest Power Pool; Notice of Complaint

February 17, 2000.

Take notice that on February 16, 2000, Entergy Power Marketing Corporation tendered for filing a complaint against the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) alleging violations of the SPP's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal 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). All such motions or protests