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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Chicago Operations Office, Office of Industrial Technologies, Notice of the Chemicals Industry of the Future Solicitation

AGENCY: Chicago Operations Office,
DOE.

ACTION: Notice of financial assistance
solicitation availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is announcing its intention to solicit applications for financial assistance for cost shared research and development of technologies that will enhance economic competitiveness, reduce energy consumption and reduce environmental impacts of the U.S. chemical industry. The DOE Office of Industrial Technologies (OIT) seeks industry cost-shared projects involving at least two chemical industry companies per project that address research needs identified in Technology Vision 2020: The U.S. Chemical Industry "vision document" and the subsequent Vision 2020 technology roadmaps. These documents can be found on the OIT web-site located at <http://www.oit.doe.gov/chemicals/>. DOE is interested in projects that focus on applied research that lead to the development and successful completion of pilot-scale operations. Projects of most interest will be those that demonstrate broad chemical industry applicability, and which will yield large and replicable energy savings.

DATES: The complete solicitation document will be available on or about May 31, 2000. The deadline for submission of applications will be identified in the solicitation and should occur during August, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the solicitation, when issued, can be obtained from the DOE Chicago Operations Office, Acquisition and Assistance Home Page at <http://www.ch.doe.gov/business/ACQ.htm> under the heading "current solicitations," Solicitation No. DE-SC02-00CH11040. Access to this Home Page will also be possible through a hot-link from the OIT Chemicals web-site.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Motz at (630) 252-2152; by mail at U.S.

Department of Energy, 9800 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, IL 60439-4899; by facsimile at (630) 252-5045; or by electronic mail at john.motz@ch.doe.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

DOE through its Office of Industrial Technologies (OIT) supports industries in their efforts to increase energy efficiency, reduce waste and increase productivity. The goal of OIT is to accelerate the development and use of advanced energy efficient, renewable and pollution prevention technologies that benefit industry, the environment, and U.S. energy security. OIT's core program is the Industries of the Future (IOF) initiative that focuses on basic materials and processing industries such as the chemical industry.

Research and Development Solicitation Topics

Responsive projects will cross-cut several technological and methodological roadmap areas including, but not limited to, catalysis, separations, new process chemistry, reaction engineering, materials of construction, computational fluid dynamics, and computational chemistry. Specific attention should be given to system integration and process operation and control development. The outcome of these projects should be pilot-scale demonstrations that will lead to full-scale demonstration and commercialization of process technology. The technology development project proposed must show a high probability of commercialization beyond a single company. For this reason, the proposers will need to describe the path to commercialization that will impact more than one company's process applications; the technology must show a broad applicability in its proposed configuration or in a similar adaptation to other chemical industry applications.

Type and Number of Anticipated Awards

Awards under this solicitation will be cooperative agreements with a term of up to three years. DOE is planning to allocate approximately \$4 million in fiscal year 2001 for the selected projects, subject to the availability of funds. It is estimated that three to six projects will be selected for cost-shared cooperative agreements. Total estimated Government funding for the solicitation is approximately \$12 million for the maximum three-year period, subject to the availability of funds.

Application Requirements

The projects must include teams that comprise multi-disciplinary expertise from corporate research, process engineering, technology development groups or companies, and new business development organizations within and outside chemical companies. Applications that do not propose a teaming arrangement of at least two chemical industry companies will not be evaluated. Teams shall be led by chemical companies, but may include partners from chemical product/raw material suppliers, chemical customers, equipment suppliers, engineering firms, software and consulting firms, universities, National Laboratories, and research institutes.

Applicants will be required to cost share a minimum of 50% of the total project costs to be incurred under the proposed project to be eligible for award under this solicitation.

In addition to the foregoing, other evaluation and selection criteria will be developed in accordance with 10 CFR 600.10—Form and Content of Applications and 10 CFR 600.13—Merit Review.

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John D. Greenwood,

Acquisition and Assistance Group Manager
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. OA97-111-001, OA97-112-001 and OA97-124-001]

Cinergy Services, Inc.; Notice of Filing

April 14, 2000.

Take notice that on March 20, 2000, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), as agent for and on behalf of the Cinergy Operating Companies, PSI Energy, Inc. and The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, submitted its compliance filing pursuant to the Commission's February 29, 2000 Order in Allegheny Power Service Company, *et al.*, 90 FERC ¶ 61,224.

Cinergy states that it has served a copy of its filing upon Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company and Indiana Municipal Power Agency.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888

First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 and protests should be filed on or before April 24, 1999. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG00-125-000, et al.]

ANP Bellingham Energy Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

April 11, 2000.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. ANP Bellingham Energy Company

[Docket No. EG00-125-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 2000, ANP Bellingham Energy Company (Applicant), a Delaware corporation, whose address is 10000 Memorial Drive, Suite 500, Houston, Texas 77024, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

Applicant intends to construct an approximate 550 MW natural gas-fired combined cycle independent power production facility in Bellingham, Massachusetts (the Facility). The Facility is currently under development and will be owned by Applicant. Electric energy produced by the Facility will be sold by Applicant to the wholesale power market in the northeast United States.

Comment date: May 2, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

2. ANP Blackstone Energy Company

[Docket No. EG00-126-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 2000, ANP Blackstone Energy Company (Applicant), a Delaware corporation, whose address is 10000 Memorial Drive, Suite 500, Houston, Texas 77024, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

Applicant intends to construct an approximate 550 MW natural gas-fired combined cycle independent power production facility in Blackstone, Massachusetts (the Facility). The Facility is currently under development and will be owned by Applicant. Electric energy produced by the Facility will be sold by Applicant to the wholesale power market in the northeast United States.

Comment date: May 2, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

3. Wabash Valley Power Association and American Municipal Power Ohio, Inc. v. American Electric Power Services Corporation; Indiana Municipal Power Agency v. American Electric Power Service Corporation

[Docket Nos. EL99-66-001 and EL99-72-001]

Take notice that on April 4, 2000, American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEP), on the tendered for filing its refund report in response to the Commission's order of March 16, 2000. AEP also filed revised tariff sheets reflecting changes in its loss factors that had been inadvertently omitted from its settlement filing on December 10, 1999.

Copies of the filing were served upon all intervenors and all parties that signed the settlement agreement.

Comment date: May 4, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Connexus Energy

[Docket No. ER00-1900-001]

Take notice that on April 5, 2000, Connexus Energy (Connexus) submitted for filing substitute tariff sheets to replace supplements, filed on March 23, 2000, to Connexus Energy Rate Schedule FERC No. 1. Connexus states that the purpose of the filing is to change the proposed effective date of the Amendment to the All Requirements Contract, and associated revised Schedule V, between Connexus Energy and Elk River Municipal Utilities.

The substitute tariff sheets provide for an effective date of January 1, 2000. Connexus requests waiver of the prior notice requirement.

Comment date: April 26, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Otter Tail Power Company

[Docket No. ER00-2105-000]

Take notice that on April 4, 2000, Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) tendered for filing a Service Agreement between OTP and Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCO). The Service Agreement allows PSCO to purchase capacity and/or energy under OTP's Coordination Sales Tariff.

Comment date: April 25, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER00-2106-000]

Take notice that on April 4, 2000, 1999, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (PJM) tendered for filing a notice of cancellation of Conoco Power Marketing Inc.' (formerly DuPont Power Marketing Inc.) membership in PJM.

PJM requests a waiver and effective date of April 5, 2000 for the notice of cancellation.

PJM states that it served a copy of its filing on all of the members of PJM, including the withdrawing company, and each of the electric regulatory commissions within the PJM control area.

Comment date: April 25, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Entergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER00-2107-000]

Take notice that on April 4, 2000, Entergy Services, Inc., on behalf of Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States, Inc., Entergy Louisiana, Inc., Entergy Mississippi, Inc., and Entergy New Orleans, Inc., (collectively, the Entergy Operating Companies) tendered for filing a Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service Agreement and a Short-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service Agreement both between Entergy Services, Inc. as agent for the Entergy Operating Companies, and Conoco Power Marketing, Inc.

Entergy Services requests an effective date of March 28, 2000 for the Service Agreement.

Comment date: April 25, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.