

10 a.m. The Board will approve the agenda; hear a report from the Executive Director of the National Assessment Governing Board; receive a briefing from Secretary of Education Roderick Paige on the "No Child Left Behind" Initiative; and receive an update on the NAEP Program. From 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., the Board's standing committees will meet in open session.

The Assessment Development Committee will meet from 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. to receive an update on various NAEP assessment development activities, including projects in mathematics, reading, and foreign language. The Committee will also receive a briefing on the content of the NAEP Long Term Trend Study.

The Committee on Standards, Design, and Methodology will meet from 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. to receive an update on the 1992–1998 achievement levels publications and on the status of the Trial Urban Assessment. In addition, the Committee will review and discuss sampling plans for the 2002 NAEP and the methodology for enhanced reporting.

The Reporting and Dissemination Committee will meet from 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. to discuss the sampling and reporting plan for NAEP 2002 assessments; new models for reporting achievement levels; the plan for release of the NAEP 2002 Mathematics Report; and the schedule for release of future NAEP reports. In addition, the Committee will discuss reporting data for subgroups; and the plan for private school reporting in NAEP 2002 assessments. The Reporting and Dissemination Committee will then receive an update on racial categories in NAEP reporting and discuss the background questions in reading and writing for NAEP 2002.

On May 11, the full Board will meet in closed session from 12:15–1:15 p.m. to receive a briefing on the NAEP 2000 Mathematics Report Card. This meeting must be closed because the report has not gone through complete National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) adjudication process and has not been released by the Secretary of Education. Premature disclosure of the information presented for review would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of Section 552(b)(3) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will meet in open session on May 11 from 1:15–2 p.m. to receive a briefing on the Baltimore Sun's "Reading by Nine" Project. From 2:00–2:45 p.m., the Board will receive an update from Congressional staff on

"NAEP/NAGB: View from the Hill." From 3:00–4:15 p.m., the full Board will have a panel discussion on NAEP and NAGB, Past Reflections and Future Directions. Subsequently, at 4:15–5 p.m., the Board will receive a briefing on the Third International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) 1999 Benchmarking Study after which the May 11 meeting will conclude.

On May 12, the Nominations Committee will convene from 7:30 a.m.–8:30 a.m. to discuss the Committee's organization and work schedule.

From 8:30–9:30 a.m., the Board will receive an update and discuss the NAEP 2004 Mathematics Framework project. The Board will then hear and take action on the Committee reports from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. whereupon the meeting will adjourn.

Summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters, which are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(3), will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Dated: April 25, 2001.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket Nos. EA–237 and EA–238]

### Applications to Export Electric Energy; Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC (Allegheny) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico and to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before May 31, 2001.

**ADDRESS:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE–27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW.,

Washington, DC 20585–0350 (FAX 202–287–5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rosalind Carter (Program Office) 202–586–7983 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202–586–6667.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On, April 9, 2001, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received separate applications from Allegheny to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico and to Canada. Allegheny is a limited liability company formed under Delaware law. Allegheny's sole member is Allegheny Energy, Inc., an electric utility holding company registered under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935. As part of the Allegheny Energy, Inc. holding company system, Allegheny is affiliated with three franchised electric utilities: Monongahela Power Company; The Potomac Edison Company; and West Penn Power Company.

Allegheny owns and operates electric power generation facilities and their associated transmission facilities. However, Allegheny does not have a franchised electric power service area. Allegheny operates as a marketer and broker of electric power at wholesale and arranges services in related areas such as transmission services. Allegheny will generate or purchase the power to be exported from electric utilities and federal power marketing agencies as defined in Section 3(22) and (19) (16 U.S.C. 796 (22) and (19) of the FPA. Allegheny proposes to transmit to Mexico and to Canada electric energy purchased from electric utilities and other suppliers within the U.S. Allegheny requests the export authorization be issued for five years.

In FE Docket EA–237, Allegheny proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Mexico over the international transmission facilities owned by San Diego Gas & Electric Company, El Paso Electric Company, Central Power and Light Company, and Comision Federal de Electricidad, the national electric utility of Mexico.

In FE Docket EA–238, Allegheny proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Canada over the international transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, International Transmission Company

(formally Detroit Edison Company), Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Long Sault, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power, Inc., Minnkota Power Cooperative, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company.

The construction of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by Allegheny, as more fully described in the applications, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

#### Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Allegheny application to export electric energy to Mexico should be clearly marked with Docket EA-237. Comments on the Allegheny application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-238. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Daniel L. Gordon, President, Allegheny Energy Global Markets, LLC, 2 World Financial Center, 36th Floor, New York, NY 10080 and Patricia J. Clark, Esq., Allegheny Energy Supply Company, LLC, 4350 Northern Pike, Monroeville, PA 15146.

A final decision will be made on these applications after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed actions will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of these applications will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Regulatory", then "Electricity", then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-235]

### Application to Export Electric Energy; Semptra Energy Resources

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Semptra Energy Resources (SER) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before May 31, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-9624 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On March 28, 2001, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received an application from SER to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico. In a related proceeding currently before DOE (FE Docket PP-235), SER has applied for a Presidential permit to construct, operate, maintain, and connect a new electric transmission facility between San Diego Gas and Electric Company's (SDG&E's) Imperial Valley Substation in Imperial County, California, and the Termoeléctrica de Mexicali (TDM) powerplant SER proposes to construct in the vicinity of Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico. The electric energy SER proposes to export to Mexico would be for the purpose of providing "black start" capability to the TDM powerplant and for providing ancillary equipment power when the facility's electrical generating equipment is not in

operation. Exports from the United States to the TDM plant for "black start" purposes are expected to occur routinely, such as during weekend plant shutdowns, with a maximum of 12 MW to be exported.

The electric energy SER proposes to export to Mexico would be obtained from its own generation sources or from power purchase agreements and delivered to SDG&E's Imperial Valley Substation using the existing domestic transmission system. The exported electricity would be transmitted to Mexico over the facilities proposed in FE Docket PP-235.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the SER application to export electric energy to Mexico should be clearly marked with Docket EA-235. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Alberto Abreu, Director, Permitting and Licensing, Semptra Energy Resources, 101 Ash Street, P.O. Box 1831, San Diego, CA 92112-4150.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the 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 or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Electricity" and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

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