energy to Canada; that authorization expires on January 9, 2004. On November 24, 2003, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received an application from Coral to renew its authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer. Coral, a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Houston, Texas, is indirectly owned by Shell Oil Company and Intergen, N.A. Coral does not own or control any electric power generation or transmission facilities and does not have a franchised service area.

Coral proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Canada over the existing international transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizen Utilities, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, International Transmission 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, operation, maintenance, and connection of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by Coral, as more fully described in the application, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

Because Coral is exporting electricity under the existing authorization, they have requested expedited processing of this application in order to avoid any lapse in export authority. Accordingly, DOE has shortened the comment period and requests comments, protests, and requests to intervene be filed by January 7, 2004.

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 DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Coral application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA–253–A. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Robert Reilley, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Coral Canada U.S. Inc., 909 Fannin, Plaza One, Houston, TX 77010.

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, 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.de.gov.* Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select ''Regulatory Programs,'' then ''Electricity Regulation,'' and then ''Pending Proceedings'' from the options menus.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Oak Ridge. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, January 14, 2004, 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: DOE Information Center, 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Halsey, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM–90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 576–4025; Fax (865) 576–5333 or e-mail: *halseypj@oro.doe.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda:

The meeting presentation will feature an overview of the Federal Facility Agreement Core Team concept. Included will be a discussion of the philosophy behind the Core Team concept, the types of issues they address, and their mission, makeup, and responsibilities.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Pat Halsey at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Department of Energy's Information Center at 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by writing to Pat Halsey, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, PO Box 2001, EM–90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, or by calling her at (865) 576–4025.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER02–1656–017]

California Independent System Operator Corporation; Notice of Technical Conference

December 16, 2003.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is convening a technical conference regarding the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) Revised Comprehensive Market Design Proposal 2002 (MD02), pursuant to its Order issued on October 28, 2003,[1] to further

[1] California Independent System Operator Corporation, 105 FERC ¶ 61,140 (2003) (October 28 Order).