

12. Can analytical tools to assess transmission market power be developed to screen out behavior motivated by legitimate business interests and direct the Commission's attention to areas where transmission market power is more likely to be exercised?

13. Does the existence of significant transmission constraints constitute a barrier to entry that should be considered in authorizing market-based rates for a transmission provider?

Non-Transmission Barriers to Entry Questions

1. Can the lack of competition in fuel or other inputs constrain entry in the generation business? If so, how?

2. Can monopolization or attempted monopolization of future generating sites be a significant barrier to entry in generation? If so, how, and what can be done to remedy this problem?

3. Have financial constraints, such as access to capital or creditworthiness issues, been a serious barrier to entry in generation, or any other aspect of the electric power business?

4. Are there other barriers to entry the Commission should consider in granting market based rates? If so, how should the Commission test for the extent of harm to customers of competitors associated with such barriers?

5. Does the lack of an adequate competitive solicitation program by a utility that has monopsony power constitute a barrier to entry?

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-360-000]

Martimes and Northeast Pipeline, LLC; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

November 30, 2004.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding at 9:30 a.m. (e.s.t.) on Friday, December 3, 2004, at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, please contact Arnold H. Meltz at (202) 502-

8649 or Moira B. Notargiacomo at (202) 502-8083.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Ferc Staff Attendance at Various MISO-Related Meetings

December 1, 2004.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of its staff may attend the following meetings involving the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (MISO), noted below:

Organization of MISO States Annual Meeting—December 9, 2004, 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m. (e.s.t.). Lakeside Conference Center (directly across from MISO's headquarters), 630 West Carmel Drive, Carmel, IN 46032.

MISO Advisory Committee Meetings (Wednesdays, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.) and MISO Board of Directors Meetings (Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.–9:45 p.m.):

January 19–20, 2005;

February 16–17, 2005;

March 16–17, 2005;

April 20–21, 2005;

May 18–19, 2005;

June 15–16, 2005;

July 20–21, 2005;

August 17–18, 2005;

September 14–15, 2005;

October 19–20, 2005;

November 16–17, 2005;

December 7–8, 2005.

Advisory Committee meetings are held at: Lakeside Conference Center (directly across from MISO's headquarters), 630 West Carmel Drive, Carmel, IN 46032.

The Board of Directors meetings are held at: 701 City Center Drive (MISO Headquarters), Carmel, IN 46032.

The discussions may address matters at issue in the following proceedings:

Docket No. ER04-691 and EL04-104, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., *et al.*;

Docket No. EL02-65-000, *et al.*,

Alliance Companies, *et al.*;

Docket No. RT01-87-000, *et al.*,

Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.;

Docket No. ER03-323, *et al.*, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.;

Docket No. ER03-1118, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.;

Docket No. ER04-375, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., *et al.*;

Docket Nos. EL04-43 and EL04-46, Tenaska Power Services Co. and Cargill Power Markets, LLC v. Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

These meetings are open to the public.

For more information, contact Patrick Clarey, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (317) 249-5937 or patrick.clarey@ferc.gov, or Christopher Miller, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (317) 249-5936 or christopher.miller@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of FERC Staff Attendance at Meetings of Southwest Power Pool Board of Directors and Members Committee and Meeting of Southwest Power Pool Regional State Committee

December 1, 2004.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of its staff may attend the meetings of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) Board of Directors and Members Committee noted below, and the meeting of the SPP Regional State Committee noted below. The staff's attendance is part of the Commission's ongoing outreach efforts.

SPP Regional State Committee Meeting—

January 24, 2005, 1 p.m. –5 p.m. (c.s.t.)

Sam's Town Casino Hotel and Convention Center, 315 Clyde Fant Parkway, Shreveport, LA 71101, (318) 429-6859.

SPP Board of Directors and Members Committee Meeting—December 14, 2004, 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m. (c.s.t.)

DFW Airport Hyatt, Dallas, Texas, (972) 453-1234.

SPP Board of Directors and Members Committee Meeting—January 25, 2005, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Sam's Town Casino Hotel and Convention Center, 315 Clyde Fant Parkway, Shreveport, LA 71101, (318) 429-6859.

The discussions may address matters at issue in the following proceedings:

Docket Nos. RT04-1-000 and ER04-48-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*

Docket No. ER04-833-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*

Docket No. ER04-1096-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
 Docket No. EL05-16-000, *Aquila Merchant Services, Inc. v. Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
 Docket No. ER05-109-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
 Docket No. ER05-156-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*

These meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact Tony Ingram, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (202) 502-8938 or tony.ingram@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permits

November 30, 2004.

Symbiotics, LLC (Project No. 11978-002); Symbiotics, LLC (Project No. 12037-001); Prosser Creek Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12191-001); McCloud Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12195-001); Gillham Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12226-002); Nimrod Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12237-001); San Jacinto Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12242-001); Spavinaw Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12243-001);

Great Salt Plains, LLC (Project No. 12263-001); Wappapello Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12268-001); GV Montgomery Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12277-001); KR 6 Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12278-001); Wilkins Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12281-001); Huntington Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12294-001); Rough River Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12364-002); Coralville Hydro, LLC (Project No. 12417-001)

Take notice that the permittees for the subject projects have requested to surrender their preliminary permits. Investigations and feasibility studies have shown that the projects would not be economically feasible.

Project No.	Project name	Stream	State	Expiration date
11978-002	Vega Dam	Plateau Creek	CO	August 31, 2006.
12037-001	Swift Dam	Birch Creek	MT	April 30, 2005.
12191-001	Prosser Creek Dam	Prosser Creek	CA	May 31, 2006.
12195-001	McCloud Dam	McCloud River	CA	October 31, 2006.
12226-002	Gillham Dam	Cossatot River	AR	September 30, 2005.
12237-001	Nimrod Dam	Fourche La Fave River	AR	October 31, 2005.
12242-001	San Jacinto Dam	San Jacinto River	TX	March 31, 2006.
12243-001	Spavinaw Dam	Spavinaw Creek	OK	January 31, 2006.
12263-001	Great Salt Plains Dam	Arkansas River	AR	January 31, 2006.
12268-001	Wappapello Dam	St. Francis River	MO	April 30, 2006.
12277-001	G.V. Montgomery Dam	Tombigbee River	MS	January 31, 2006.
12278-001	Kentucky River L&D #6	Kentucky River	KY	October 31, 2005.
12281-001	Wilkins L&D	Tombigbee River	MS	January 31, 2006.
12294-001	J. Edwards Roush Lake Dam	Wabash River	IN	October 31, 2006.
12364-002	Rough River Dam	Rough River	KY	August 31, 2006.
12417-001	Coralville Dam	Iowa River	IA	July 31, 2006.

The permits shall remain in effect through the thirtieth day after issuance of this notice unless that day is Saturday, Sunday, or holiday as described in 18 CFR 385.2007, in which case each permit shall remain in effect through the first business day following that day. New applications involving these project sites, to the extent provided for under 18 CFR part 4, may be filed on the next business day.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ORD-2004-0019; FRL-7845-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Detroit Children's Health Study: Health Effects of Environmental Exposures Among Children Living in the Detroit, Michigan Area, EPA ICR Number 2167.01

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit a proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This is a request for a new collection. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 7, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number ORD-2004-0019, to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to oei.docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information Docket, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Auby, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Information Collection, Office of Environmental Information, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Mail Code 28221T, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 566-1672; fax number: (202) 566-1753; e-mail address: auby.susan@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number ORD-2004-0019, which is available for public viewing at the Office of Research and Development Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open