

NCES on test items for the NAEP 2009 reading and math assessments to demonstrate the effectiveness of new item development strategies. The second portion of the closed session briefing from NCES is to receive preliminary results of NAEP studies to maintain trend lines for the 2009 NAEP reading and mathematics assessments. The meeting must therefore be conducted in closed session in order to allow the Committee to receive and discuss confidential test items and results of NAEP studies that have not been publicly released. This would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP program, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The Reporting and Dissemination Committee will meet in open session on August 1 from 9:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

On August 1, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. the full Board will meet in open session to hear a presentation from the Virginia Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Chair of the Governing Board's Policy Task Force that works with the Council of Chief State School Officers. From 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. the Board will receive a briefing from the Chair of the Board's 12th Grade Technical Panel on Preparedness Research. From 2:45 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Board will hear a presentation from the Executive Director of the Council of the Great City Schools on how Trial Urban Districts make use of NAEP data. The August 1 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 4 p.m.

On August 2, the Nominations Committee will meet in closed session from 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. to receive an update on the status of the 2008 Board nominations and to review and discuss confidential information regarding nominees for Board vacancies for terms beginning on October 1, 2009. These discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will meet in open session on August 2 from 8:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. to hear a presentation on "Inside NAEP: Background Variables." From 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. the Board will receive and take action on Committee reports and elect the Board Vice Chair. The August 2, 2008 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 12 p.m.

Detailed minutes of the meeting, including summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters that are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) 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 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Electric Transmission Congestion Study

AGENCY: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of date and time Changes for technical workshops.

SUMMARY: On June 4, 2008, DOE published a notice that DOE was initiating preparations for the 2009 National Electric Transmission Congestion Study pursuant to section 216(a)(1) of the Federal Power Act (73 FR 31846). In the June 4 notice, DOE stated that it would be hosting six regional technical workshops to receive and discuss input concerning electric transmission-level congestion. The date for the workshop in Atlanta and the starting time of the workshop in Chicago

have been changed. The locations of the workshops remain the same.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for workshop date and time changes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Meyer, DOE Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, (202) 586-1411, david.meyer@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Date and Time Changes for Technical Workshops

Workshops dates and times: The date for the Atlanta and the starting and ending time for the Chicago technical workshops are:

1. July 29, 2008, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Atlanta, GA.
2. September 17, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Chicago, IL.

Issued in Washington, DC on July 10, 2008.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 9988-015]

Augusta Canal Authority; Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

July 9, 2008.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* P-9988-015.

c. *Date filed:* May 31, 2007.

d. *Applicant:* Augusta Canal Authority.

e. *Name of Project:* King Mill Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The King Mill Project is located on the Augusta Canal about 6 miles downstream of the Augusta Diversion Dam, adjacent to the Savannah River, Richmond County, Augusta, GA. The project does not affect federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r)

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Dayton Sherrouse, Executive Director, Augusta Canal Authority, 1450 Green Street, Suite 400, Augusta, GA 30901; Telephone (706) 823-0440, Ext. 1.