implementing the National Broadband Plan by Empowering Consumers and the Smart Grid: Data Access, Third Party Use, and Privacy

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: On May 11, 2010, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a Request for Information seeking comments and information from interested parties to assist DOE in understanding current and potential practices and policies for the states and other entities to empower consumers (and perhaps others) through access to detailed energy information in electronic form—including real-time information from smart meters, historical consumption data, and pricing and billing information. (75 FR 26203) The request for information asked interested parties, including industry, consumer groups, and state governments, to report on state efforts to enact Smart Grid privacy and data collection policies. The request for information also sought input regarding individual electric utility practices and policies regarding data access and collection; third party access to detailed energy information; and the role of the consumer in balancing the benefits of access and privacy. Finally, the request for information sought comment on what policies and practices should guide policymakers in determining who can access consumers’ energy information and under what conditions.

Issued in Washington, DC, on June 8, 2010.

Scott Blake Harris, General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Implementing the National Broadband Plan by Studying the Communications Requirements of Electric Utilities To Inform Federal Smart Grid Policy

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: On May 11, 2010, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a Request for Information seeking comments and information from interested parties to assist DOE in understanding the communications requirements of utilities. DOE will hold a public meeting as part of this Request for Information.

DATES: The Department will hold a public meeting on June 17, 2010, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Washington, DC. Any person wishing to speak at the public meeting should submit a request to do so before 4 p.m., June 15, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maureen C. McLaughlin, Senior Legal Advisor to the General Counsel (202) 586–5281; broadband@hq.doe.gov. For Media Inquiries you may contact Jen Stutsman at 202–586–4940
If there are time constraints, those who have submitted a request will be given preference. Written comments are welcome, especially following the public meeting, and should be submitted by July 12, 2010 and reply comments by July 26, 2010.

ADDRESS: The public meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 80609, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–0121. Please note that foreign nationals participating in the public meeting are subject to advance security screening procedures. If a foreign national wishes to participate in the public meeting, please inform DOE of this fact as soon as possible by contacting Katharine Dickerson at 202–586–5281 so that the necessary procedures can be completed.

Interested persons may submit comments, identified by “NBP RFI: Communications Requirements,” by any of the following methods:


E-mail: broadband@hq.doe.gov. Include “NBP RFI: Communications Requirements” in the subject line of the message.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 11, 2010, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a Request for Information seeking comments and information from interested parties to assist DOE in understanding the communications requirements of utilities, including, but not limited to, the requirements of the Smart Grid (75 FR 26206). DOE also sought to collect information about electricity infrastructure’s current and projected communications requirements, as well as the types of networks and communications services that may be used for grid modernization.

Specifically, DOE sought information on what types of communications capabilities that the utilities think that they will need and what type of communications capabilities that the communications carriers think that they can provide. DOE will hold a public meeting as part of this request for information.

Issued in Washington, DC on June 8, 2010.

Scott Blake Harris,
General Counsel.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER10–1362–000]

Hatchet Ridge Wind, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

June 7, 2010.

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Hatchet Ridge Wind, LLC’s application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant’s request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is June 28, 2010.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at http://www.ferc.gov. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission’s eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission’s Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERConlineSupport@ferc.gov or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER10–1337–000]

Premier Energy Services, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

June 7, 2010.

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Premier Energy Services, LLC’s application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR Part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

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