DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada

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), Nevada Test Site. 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, November 10, 2010, 5 p.m.

ADDRESS: Atomic Testing Museum, 775 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise Rupp, Board Administrator, 232 Energy Way, M/S 505, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030. Phone: (702) 657–9098; Fax (702) 295–5300 or E-mail: ntscab@nv.doe.gov.

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

Tentative Agenda

1. Presentations
   • Frenchman Flat Peer Review
   • Mixed Waste
   • Fundamentals of Radiation

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Nevada Test Site, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Denise Rupp at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral presentations pertaining to agenda items should contact Denise Rupp at the telephone number listed above. The request 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. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

   Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing to Denise Rupp at the address listed above or at the following Web site: http://www.ntscab.com/
   MeetingMinutes.htm.

   Issued at Washington, DC on October 14, 2010.

   Rachel Samuel,
   Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP11–1–000]

Pine Prairie Energy Center, LLC; Notice of Application

October 15, 2010

Take notice that on October 4, 2010, Pine Prairie Energy Center, LLC (Pine Prairie), 333 Clay Street, Suite 1500, Houston, Texas 77002 filed an application in Docket No. CP11–1–000 pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission’s Regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate its Phase III Expansion Project. Pine Prairie’s Phase III Expansion Project would expand upon its existing storage facilities located in Evangeline Parish, Louisiana. Specifically, Pine Prairie would: (i) Construct two additional natural gas storage caverns, each having a working gas capacity of 12.0 billion cubic feet (Bcf), bringing the total number of caverns at the facility to seven; (ii) increase the working gas capacity of four of the five authorized natural gas storage caverns from 10 Bcf to 12 Bcf; (iii) restate the total capacity of Cavern No. 1 as being 10.2 Bcf to reflect an increase in the quantity of base gas to be maintained in that cavern from 1.6 Bcf to 2.2 Bcf; (iv) construct extensions of the existing storage facility piping in order to connect the proposed caverns to Pine Prairie’s existing systems; (v) construct approximately 2.50 miles of 24, 20, and 16-inch diameter leaching pipeline looping and related enhancements; (vi) install two incremental electric drive compressor units totaling 11,500 horsepower; and (vii) increase the authorized maximum daily receipt and delivery capacities at interconnections with two interstate pipelines from 600 MMcf/day to 900 MMcf/day, all as described in more detail in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Pine Prairie states that the Phase III Expansion Project will increase the Pine Prairie Energy Center’s total working gas capacity to 80 Bcf, supported by base gas capacity of 22.6 Bcf (for a total storage capacity of 102.6 Bcf). Pine Prairie also requests a reaffirmation of the previously granted authorization to charge market-based rates for its storage and hub services.

This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission’s Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the “e-Library” link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. Any questions concerning this Application may be directed to James F. Bowe, Jr., Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP, 1101 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202–346–8000 (phone) 202–346–8102 (fax), jbowe@dl.com.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission’s rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission’s public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff’s issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission’s public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff’s FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission’s review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceeding should, or on or before the comment date stated below file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission a written request to become a party to the proceeding and submit a written statement or affidavit of legal interest, with supporting facts or arguments, describing how the person is uniquely and directly affected by the proposal. Requests for party status must be filed no later than November 30, 2010. Second, any person wishing to be heard at the proceeding should, on or before the comment date stated below file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission a written request to appear as a witness at the proceeding and submit a written statement or affidavit of interest, with supporting facts or arguments, describing how the person is uniquely and directly affected by the proposal. Written request for notice to appear as a witness must be filed no later than November 30, 2010.