

time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM11-2-000]

#### Smart Grid Interoperability Standards; Notice of Technical Conference

October 22, 2010.

Take notice that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will convene a conference on November 14, 2010, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Eastern time in conjunction with the NARUC/FERC Collaborative on Smart Response (Collaborative), in the International D Ballroom at the Omni Hotel at CNN Center in Atlanta, GA. The technical conference will be open to the public and advance registration is not required. The Commission is holding this conference together with a number of State regulatory authorities that also are considering the adoption of Smart Grid Interoperability Standards (Standards) in their States.

On October 6, 2010, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) informed the Commission by letter of the posting of several groups of Standards which NIST identified as ready for consideration by regulators. Commissioners from State public utility commissions and the Commission will receive briefings on the first set of Standards posted by NIST at the technical conference.

Interested regulators may consider these Standards because they include emerging technology standards that may affect all electric facilities including generation, transmission, and distribution facilities as well as metering and communications at all levels. This technical conference provides an opportunity for both the Commission and interested State

regulatory authorities to hear directly from NIST and others involved in the standards development process. The Commission will issue an agenda at a later date.

Transcripts of the technical conference will be made available. Instructions for obtaining transcripts will be published at a later date.

Prior to the technical conference other topics will be discussed by the Collaborative. Visit NARUC's Web site, <http://annual.narucmeetings.org/>, for detailed information on the agenda for that portion of the meeting, which begins at 8:15 a.m. Following the technical conference, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., the Collaborative will hold an informal, off-the-record discussion about the Standards, the Standards setting process, and the issues that their adoption may present. These portions of the meeting will also be open to the public, but will not be recorded.

Commission conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations, please send an e-mail to [accessibility@ferc.gov](mailto:accessibility@ferc.gov) or call toll free (866) 208-3372 (voice) or (202) 208-1659 (TTY), or send a FAX to (202) 208-2106 with the required accommodations.

For more information about this conference, please contact Sandra Waldstein at (202) 502-8092 or [sandra.waldstein@ferc.gov](mailto:sandra.waldstein@ferc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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#### ILP Effectiveness Evaluation 2010; Additional Notice of Multi-Stakeholder Technical Conference on the Integrated Licensing Process

October 21, 2010.

As announced in the May 18, 2010, "Notice of Interviews, Teleconferences, Regional Workshops And Multi-Stakeholder Technical Conference On The Integrated Licensing Process," a technical conference will be held on November 3, 2010, from 11 a.m. (EST) to 3 p.m. (EST) in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. While we encourage interested parties

to attend the technical conference in person, a limited number of phone lines will be available on a first-come-first-serve basis for interested parties to participate via teleconference. If you would like to participate via teleconference, e-mail Stephanie Obadia at [sobadia@kearnswest.com](mailto:sobadia@kearnswest.com) by October 29, 2010 to receive the toll-free telephone number and password to join the teleconference. Also, please register to attend the technical conference by e-mailing Stephanie Obadia at [sobadia@kearnswest.com](mailto:sobadia@kearnswest.com) by October 29, 2010.

For more information about this conference, please contact David Turner at (202) 502-6091 or [david.turner@ferc.gov](mailto:david.turner@ferc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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#### Transmission Vegetation Management Practices; Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

October 21, 2010.

On October 5, 2010 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission announced that a Technical Conference on Transmission Vegetation Management Practices would be held on Tuesday, October 26, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. This staff-led conference will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The conference will be open for the public to attend and advance registration is not required. Members of the Commission may attend the conference.

Attached is an agenda for this meeting. The conference will be Webcast. Anyone with Internet access who desires to listen to this event can do so by navigating to <http://www.ferc.gov>'s Calendar of Events and locating this event in the Calendar. The event will contain a link to the webcast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for webcasts and offers the option of listening to the meeting via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit <http://www.CapitolConnection.org> or call 703-993-3100.

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