not serve to make protestants parties to
the proceeding. Any person wishing to
become a party must file a notice of
intervention or motion to intervene, as
appropriate. The Respondent’s answer
and all interventions, or protests must
be filed on or before the comment date.
The Respondent’s answer, motions to
intervene, and protests must be served on
the Complainants.

The Commission encourages
electronic submission of protests and
interventions in lieu of paper using the
Persons unable to file electronically
should submit an original and 14 copies
of the protest or intervention to the
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC
20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at
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FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call
(866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call
(202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time
on February 17, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory
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[Project No. 12632–002]

East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc.,
Texas; Notice of Availability of
Environmental Assessment

February 2, 2011.

In accordance with the National
Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and
the Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission’s (Commission or FERC’s)
regulations, 18 Code of Federal
Regulations (CFR) part 380 (Order No.
486, 52 Federal Register [FR] 47897), the
Office of Energy Projects has reviewed
East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc.’s
(the Cooperative’s) application for
license for the Lake Livingston
Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No.
12632–002), located on the Trinity River
near the city of Livingston, in San
Jacinto, Polk, Trinity, and Walker
COUNTIES. THE PROJECT WOULD NOT OCCUPY
ANY FEDERAL LANDS.

STAFF PREPARED AN ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT (EA) THAT ANALYZES THE
POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS OF
LICENSED THE PROJECT, AND CONCLUDES THAT
LICENSED THE PROJECT, WITH APPROPRIATE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES,
WOULD NOT CONSTITUTE A MAJOR FEDERAL
ACTION THAT WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE
QUALITY OF THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT.

A COPY OF THE EA IS AVAILABLE FOR
REVIEW AT THE COMMISSION IN THE PUBLIC
REFERENCE ROOM OR MAY BE VIEWED ON
THE COMMISSION’S WEB SITE AT http://
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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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[DOCKET NO. AD11–6–000]

Priorities for Addressing Risks to the
Reliability of the Bulk-Power System;
Reliability Technical Conference Panel

February 2, 2011.

As announced in the Notice of
Technical Conference issued on
December 16, 2010, the Commission
will hold a technical conference on
Tuesday, February 8, 2011, to discuss
policy issues related to reliability of the
Bulk-Power System, including priorities
for addressing risks to reliability.
Attached hereto is a modified agenda
that includes a list of the panelists
that have been asked to address the topics
previously identified in the Agenda
issued in this docket on January 7, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
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[DOCKET NO. ER11–2128–000]

California Independent System
Operator Corporation; Notice of
Institution of Section 206 Proceeding
and Refund Effective Date

February 2, 2011.

On January 31, 2011, the Commission
issued an order that instituted a
proceeding in Docket No. ER11–2128–
000, pursuant to section 206 of the
Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C.
824e, concerning the justness and
reasonableness of the California
Independent System Operator
Corporation’s Virtual Award Charge.
California Independent System
Operator Corp., 134 FERC ¶ 61,070
(2011).

The refund effective date in Docket
No. ER11–2128–000, established
pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA,
will be the date of publication of this
notice in the Federal Register.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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Reliability Technical Conference
February 8, 2011
10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Agenda

10 a.m. Commissioners’ Opening
Remarks.
10:20 a.m. Remarks; The Honorable
Treasury Frank, U.S. House of
Representatives.
10:35 a.m. Introductions;
Commissioner Cheryl LaFleur,
Chair.
10:40 a.m. Panel 1: Discussion of
Current Issues and Identifying Priorities.
Presentations; Panelists will be
invited to express their general views on
how current reliability issues and
standards development initiatives can
be ranked and prioritized to ensure that
the key reliability issues are addressed
first. Panelists will be asked to address
some or all of the following:
a. What are the most significant risks to the reliability of the Bulk-Power System? Do the current Reliability Standards effectively address these risks? If not, what processes should be used by industry, the North American Electric Reliability Corp. (NERC) and the Commission to address these risks?

b. What are the most critical reliability issues and/or standards development initiatives that need to be addressed in 2011? What are the biggest challenges to addressing these issues and/or completing these initiatives in an effective and timely manner? What next steps are appropriate to timely and effectively address the priorities discussed?

c. How do NERC and reliability standards development teams incorporate in new priorities and/or Commission directives regarding reliability standards into their work plans?

d. How do NERC’s non-standards processes such as the Industry Alerts, Recommendations, Event Analysis, Essential Actions, Lessons Learned and Compliance Application Notices interact with the reliability standards? To what extent do these processes aid in identifying important reliability matters that are not addressed under the existing Reliability Standards?

e. Going forward, what can the Commission do to assist NERC?

11:45 a.m. Lunch

12:30 p.m. Continuation of Panel 1

Discussion with Commissioners: Open dialogue and questions and answers between Panel 1 and Commissioners.

Panelists (Panel 1):
- Gerry W. Cauley, President and Chief Executive Officer, North American Electric.
- Reliability Corporation (NERC).
- Kevin Burke, Chairman, President and CEO, Consolidated Edison Inc.
- Roberta S. Brown.
- Mike Smith, President and CEO, Georgia Transmission Corp.
- Hon. Betty Ann Kane, Chairman, DC Public Service Commission.
- John Anderson, President, Electricity Consumers Resource Council (ELCON).
- Lonnie N. Carter, President and Chief Executive Officer, Santee Cooper.
- Randy Vickers, Director, United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US–CERT).
- Frank D. Sills, Administrator, North American Electric Reliability Corporation.
- Stephen J. Whitely, President and Chief Executive Officer, New York Independent System Operator.
- Randy Vickers, Director, United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US–CERT).
- Avi Schnurr, President, Electric Infrastructure Security Council.
- Ed Tymofichuk, Vice-President, Transmission, Manitoba Hydro.

3:15–5 p.m. Panel 3: Next Steps and Wrap-up

Panelists will address more specifically their views regarding the emerging issues of the Bulk Power System. Panelists will be asked to address some or all of the following:

a. How do you expect the Bulk Power System to change in the next decade?

What are the most critical new and emerging challenges facing the power grid?

b. Do the CIP standards assure cyber security, including protecting against sophisticated and fast-moving threats? What role do you expect Smart Grid to play in the Bulk Power System and will the Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) standards adequately assure grid reliability under Smart Grid applications? If not, how should NERC address these issues?

c. Will Smart Grid applications have non-cyber reliability implications that need to be addressed?

d. What steps are currently being taken to address the electromagnetic pulse (EMP) issue? Which Reliability Standards cover EMP and do they adequately address the issue?

e. Are there any other emerging reliability issues that NERC, industry and the Commission should consider addressing?

f. How can emerging issues that are identified be effectively and timely resolved while addressing NERC’s other priorities?

Panelists (Panel 2):
- Gerry W. Cauley, President and Chief Executive Officer, North American Electric.
- Reliability Corporation (NERC).
- Ronald L. Litzinger, President, Southern California Edison Company.
- Stephen J. Wright, Administrator, and Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration.
- Randy Vickers, Director, United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US–CERT).
- Avi Schnurr, President, Electric Infrastructure Security Council.
- Ed Tymofichuk, Vice-President, Transmission, Manitoba Hydro.

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[Docket No. RP11–1566–000]

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice Postponing Technical Conference

February 1, 2011.

In a prior notice, the Commission scheduled a technical conference to discuss the non-rate issues in Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company’s rate case filing for February 2 and February 3, 2011 in the above-captioned docket. Due to forecasted inclement weather and hazardous travel conditions, both days of the conference are postponed until further notice.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.