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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-296-B]

Application to Export Electric Energy; Rainbow Energy Marketing Corporation

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

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Rainbow Energy Marketing Corporation (Rainbow) has applied to renew its authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA).

DATES: Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before May 4, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be addressed to: Christopher Lawrence, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be transmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to Christopher.Lawrence@hq.doe.gov, or by facsimile to 202-586-8008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Lawrence (Program Office) at 202-586-5260, or by email to Christopher.Lawrence@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the FPA (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On November 9, 2004 the Department of Energy (DOE) issued Order No. EA-296 authorizing Rainbow to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a two-year term. That Order expired on November 9, 2006. On September 17, 2007, DOE issued Order No. EA-210-A to Rainbow for a five-year term. That

Order will expire on September 17, 2012. On March 13, 2012, Rainbow filed an application with DOE for renewal of the export authority contained in Order No. EA-296-A for an additional five-year term.

Note: You need to start identifying more specifics about the applicant, such as the type of entity.

In its application, Rainbow states that it "does not own or control any physical electric generation or transmission facilities in the U.S. and does not have any franchised service territory in the U.S." Therefore, the electric power proposed to be exported to Canada will be surplus to the needs of the entities selling power to Rainbow. The application also indicates that Rainbow is a power marketer authorized by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to sell energy, capacity, and specified ancillary services at market-based rates.

The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by Rainbow have previously been authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (385.214). Five copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Rainbow application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. 296-B. An additional copy is to be filed directly with Joseph M. Wolfe, Rainbow Energy Marketing Corporation, Kirkwood Office Tower, 919 South 7th Street, Suite 405, Bismarck, ND 58504. A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR Part 1021) and after a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public

inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program Web site at <http://energy.gov/node/11845> or by emailing Angela Troy at Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Availability of Secretarial Determination and Basis for Determination Under Section 3116 of the Ronald W. Reagan National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (NDAA) for Closure of the F-Tank Farm at the Savannah River Site and Clarification for Its Record of Decision: Savannah River Site High-Level Waste Tank Closure

AGENCY: Office of Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) announces the availability of the Secretarial Determination and Basis for Section 3116 Determination for Closure of the F-Tank Farm (FTF) at the Savannah River Site (FTF 3116 Basis Document). DOE prepared and approved the FTF 3116 Basis Document pursuant to Section 3116(a) of the NDAA, which provides that the Secretary of Energy may, in consultation with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), determine that certain waste from reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel is not high-level waste if the provisions set forth in Section 3116(a) are satisfied. To make the determination for the FTF, the Secretary of Energy determined that the waste in the FTF: (1) Does not require permanent isolation in a deep geologic repository for spent fuel or high-level radioactive waste; (2) has had highly radioactive radionuclides removed to the maximum extent practical; and (3)(A) does not exceed concentration limits for Class C low-level waste and will be disposed of in compliance with the performance objectives in 10 CFR part 61, Subpart C and pursuant to a State approved closure plan or State-issued permit; or (3)(B) exceeds concentration limits for Class C low-level waste but will be disposed of in compliance with the performance objectives of 10 CFR part 61, Subpart C; pursuant to a State-approved closure plan or State-issued

permit; and pursuant to plans developed by DOE in consultation with the NRC. DOE has also clarified its *Record of Decision: Savannah River Site High-Level Waste Tank Closure* issued on August 19, 2002 (67 FR 53784) in which the Department decided to implement the "Stabilize Tanks—Fill with Grout" option evaluated in the *Savannah River Site High-Level Waste Tank Closure Final Environmental Impact Statement* (EIS) (DOE/EIS-0303; May 2002). DOE is not changing its decision to implement the "Stabilize Tanks—Fill with Grout" option but is publishing this Notice to clarify that the decision to close the tanks has been made pursuant to NDAA Section 3116(a). All other aspects of the 2002 Record of Decision remain unchanged.

ADDRESSES: The Basis for Determination and the Supplement Analyses to the NEPA ROD is available on the Internet at http://sro.srs.gov/f_htankfarmsdocuments.htm, and http://www.em.doe.gov/stakepages/wmdi_swd.aspx?PAGEID=WMDI is publicly available at the following locations:

District of Columbia

U.S. Department of Energy, Freedom of Information Act, Public Reading Room, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Room 1G-033, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-5955.

South Carolina

University of South Carolina—Aiken, Gregg-Graniteville Library, 471 University Parkway, Aiken, SC 29801, (803) 641-3320.

For more information, contact: Ms. Sherri Ross, DOE-SR, Building 704-S, Room 43, U.S. Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office, Aiken, SC 29802 (ATTN: F-Tank Farm Secretarial Determination and Basis).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FTF is a 22-acre site, located at the Savannah River Site near Aiken, South Carolina. The FTF consists of 22 underground radioactive waste storage tanks and supporting ancillary structures. Two of those waste tanks, Tanks 17 and 20 were cleaned and operationally closed in 1997, prior to enactment of NDAA Section 3116. Accordingly, Tanks 17 and 20 are not within the scope of this FTF Section 3116 Basis Document. The major FTF ancillary structures are two evaporator systems, transfer lines, six diversion boxes, one catch tank, a concentrate transfer system, three pump pits, three pump tanks and eight valve boxes. There are three waste tank types in FTF with operating capacities ranging from 750,000 gallons (Type I tanks) to

1,300,000 gallons (Type III/IIIA and Type IV tanks). The waste tanks have varying degrees of secondary containment and in-tank structural features such as cooling coils and columns. All FTF waste tanks are constructed of carbon steel. The FTF was constructed to receive waste generated by various SRS production, processing and laboratory facilities.

DOE has initiated waste removal and cleaning of tanks and ancillary structures in the FTF using a process that includes removing bulk waste from tanks and ancillary structures and then deploying tested technologies to removing the majority of the remaining waste. After completing cleaning operations, a small amount of residual radioactive waste will remain in the tanks, ancillary equipment and piping. DOE plans to stabilize the residuals in the tanks and certain ancillary structures with grout. Tank waste storage and removal operations in the FTF are governed by a South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) industrial wastewater operating permit. Removal of tanks from service and stabilization of the FTF waste tanks and ancillary structures will be carried out pursuant to a State-approved closure plan, the *Industrial Wastewater General Closure Plan for F-Area Waste Tank Systems* (GCP). Specific Closure Modules for each tank or ancillary structure or groupings of tanks and ancillary structures have been developed and submitted to SCDHEC for approval. SCDHEC approved the specific and final closure configuration documentation and after grouting, the tank/system will be removed from the State's industrial wastewater permit. This FTF Section 3116 Basis Document applies to stabilized residuals in the waste tanks and ancillary structures, the waste tanks, and the ancillary structures in the FTF at the time of closure.

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Mark Gilbertson,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Site Restoration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Northern New Mexico

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a combined meeting of the Environmental Monitoring, Surveillance and Remediation Committee and Waste Management Committee of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Northern New Mexico (known locally as the Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board [NNMCAB]). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, April 25, 2012, 1 p.m.–2:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Bradbury Science Museum, 15th and Central Avenue, Los Alamos, New Mexico.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Menice Santistevan, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board (NNMCAB), 94 Cities of Gold Road, Santa Fe, NM 87506. Phone (505) 995-0393; Fax (505) 989-1752 or Email: msantistevan@doeal.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.

Purpose of the Environmental Monitoring, Surveillance and Remediation Committee (EMS&R): The EMS&R Committee provides a citizen's perspective to NNM CAB on current and future environmental remediation activities resulting from historical Los Alamos National Laboratory operations and, in particular, issues pertaining to groundwater, surface water and work required under the New Mexico Environment Department Order on Consent. The EMS&R Committee will keep abreast of DOE-EM and site programs and plans. The committee will work with the NNM CAB to provide assistance in determining priorities and the best use of limited funds and time. Formal recommendations will be proposed when needed and, after consideration and approval by the full NNM CAB, may be sent to DOE-EM for action.

Purpose of the Waste Management (WM) Committee: The WM Committee reviews policies, practices and procedures, existing and proposed, so as to provide recommendations, advice, suggestions and opinions to the NNM CAB regarding waste management operations at the Los Alamos site.

Tentative Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions, Doug Sayre, EMS&R Committee Chair and