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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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(Docket No. CP13-504-000 Temple LNG Liquefaction Upgrade)
October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2017.

DATES: The consultation and comment period will begin on the date of publication of this Federal Register notice and will end on September 5, 2013. If requested, a combined Public Information and Comment Forum (Forum) will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma at 9:00 a.m. on August 27, 2013. Persons desiring the Forum to be held must send a written request for such Forum to Mr. James K. McDonald (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) by August 13, 2013. If no request is received, the Forum will not be held.

ADDRESSES: Requests for the Forum to be held may be sent by letter, email or facsimile transmission to: Mr. James K. McDonald (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT). If requested, the Forum will be held in Southwestern’s offices, Room 1460, Williams Center Tower I, One West Third Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James K. McDonald, Vice President for Corporate Operations/Chief Operating Officer, Southwestern Power Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, One West Third Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103. (918) 595–6690 (office), 918–595–6636 (fax), jim.mcdonald@swpa.gov.


Southwestern markets power from 24 multi-purpose reservoir projects, with hydroelectric power facilities constructed and operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. These projects are located in the states of Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas. Southwestern’s marketing area includes these states and Louisiana. The costs associated with the hydropower facilities of 22 of the 24 projects are repaid via revenues received under the Integrated System rates, as are Southwestern’s transmission facilities that consist of 1,380 miles of high-voltage transmission lines, 25 substations, and 46 microwave and VHF radio sites. Costs associated with the Sam Rayburn and Robert D. Willis Dams, two projects that are isolated hydraulically, electrically, and financially from the Integrated System, are repaid by separate rate schedules.

Following Department of Energy guidelines, Southwestern prepared a 2013 Current Power Repayment Study using the existing Sam Rayburn Dam rate. This study indicates that Southwestern’s legal requirement to repay the investment in the power generating facility for power and energy marketed by Southwestern will not be met without an increase in revenues. The need for increased revenues is primarily due to increases in U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ replacement investment in the hydroelectric generating facilities and small increases to operations and maintenance expenses at the project. The 2013 Revised Power Repayment Study shows that an increase in annual revenue of $280,248 (7.1 percent), beginning October 1, 2013, is needed to satisfy repayment criteria.

Southwestern customers and other interested parties may receive copies of the Sam Rayburn Dam Power Repayment Studies and the proposed rate schedule. If you desire a copy of the Sam Rayburn Dam Power Repayment Data Package with the proposed Rate Schedule, submit your request to Mr. James K. McDonald (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

A Public Information and Comment Forum (Forum) is tentatively scheduled to be held on August 27, 2013 to explain to customers and interested parties the proposed rate and supporting studies and to allow for comment. A chairman, who will be responsible for orderly procedure, will conduct the Forum if a Forum is requested. Questions concerning the rate, studies, and information presented at the Forum will be answered, to the extent possible, at the Forum. Questions not answered at the Forum will be answered in writing. Questions involving voluminous data contained in Southwestern’s records may best be answered by consultation and review of pertinent records at Southwestern’s offices.

Persons requesting a Forum be held should indicate in writing to Mr. James K. McDonald (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT), letter, email, or facsimile transmission by August 13, 2013, their request for such a Forum. If no request is received, the Forum will not be held.

Persons interested in speaking at the Forum, if held, should submit a request to Mr. James K. McDonald (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT), at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the Forum so that a list of speakers can be developed. The chairman may allow others to speak if time permits.

A transcript of the Forum, if held, will be made. Copies of the transcript and all documents introduced will be available for review at Southwestern’s offices (see ADDRESSES) during normal business hours. Copies of the transcript and all documents introduced may be obtained, for a fee, directly from the transcribing service.

All written comments on the proposed Sam Rayburn Dam Rate are due on or before September 5, 2013. Comments should be submitted to Mr. James K. McDonald (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Following review of the oral and written comments and the information gathered during the course of the proceedings, the Administrator will submit the final Sam Rayburn Dam Rate Proposal and power repayment studies in support of the proposed rate to the Deputy Secretary of Energy for confirmation and approval on an interim basis, and subsequently to the FERC for confirmation and approval on a final basis. The FERC will allow the public an opportunity to provide written comments on the proposed rate increase before making a final decision.

Dated: July 30, 2013.

Christopher M. Turner,
Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Notification of Public Meeting and Public Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby provides notice that the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) will meet on the dates and times described below. All meetings are open to the public.

Members of the public are encouraged