

Commission staff will issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review that will indicate the anticipated date for the Commission's staff issuance of the final EIS analyzing ACP's amended proposal, as well as Dominion Transmission, Inc.'s and Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.'s associated proposals pending in Docket Nos. CP15-555-000 and CP15-556-000, respectively. The issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will also 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 final EIS.

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 proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 7 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be

placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order. At a future date, the Commission will issue a *Supplemental Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement* that opens a supplemental scoping period and announces procedures to solicit environmental comments on the amended application. This Notice will be mailed to all parties on the Commission's environmental mailing list for this docket.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on April 12, 2016.

Dated: March 22, 2016.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Southeastern Power Administration

#### Jim Woodruff Project

**AGENCY:** Southeastern Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rate adjustment.

**SUMMARY:** Southeastern proposes a new rate schedule JW-1-K to replace Wholesale Power Rate Schedules JW-1-J for a five-year period from October 1, 2016, to September 30, 2021. Rate schedule JW-1-K would be applicable to Southeastern power sold to existing preference customers in the Duke Energy Florida (formerly Florida Power Corporation) service area. In addition, Southeastern proposes to extend Wholesale Power Rate Schedules JW-2-

F, applicable to Duke Energy Florida to September 30, 2021.

**DATES:** Written comments are due on or before June 29, 2016. A public information and public comment forum will be held at 12:00 Noon, Thursday, May 5, 2016. Persons desiring to speak at the forum are requested to notify Southeastern at least seven (7) days before the forum is scheduled so that a list of forum participants can be prepared. Others present may speak if time permits. Persons desiring to attend the forum should also notify Southeastern at least seven (7) days before the forum is scheduled. If Southeastern has not been notified by close of business on April 28, 2016, that at least one person intends to be present at the forum, the forum may be canceled with no further notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: Kenneth E. Legg, Administrator, Southeastern Power Administration, Department of Energy, 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711. The public comment forum will meet at the Jim Woodruff Project Site Managers Office Conference Room, 2382 Boosterclub Road, Chattahoochee, FL 32324, Phone (229) 662-2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Virgil G. Hobbs III, Southeastern Power Administration, Department of Energy, 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711, Phone (706) 213-3800.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Existing rate schedules are supported by a June 2011 Repayment Study and other supporting data contained in FERC Docket No. EF11-12-000. A repayment study prepared in January 2016 shows that the existing rates are adequate to meet repayment criteria and generate a surplus. Southeastern is proposing a rate reduction to eliminate this surplus. A revised study with a revenue reduction of \$2,316,000 per year demonstrates the rates are adequate to meet repayment criteria. The rate adjustment is a reduction of about 24 percent.

In the proposed rate schedule JW-1-K, which is available to preference customers, the capacity charge would be reduced from \$10.29 per kilowatt per month to \$7.74 per kilowatt per month. The energy charge would be reduced from 26.51 mills per kilowatt-hour to 20.44 mills per kilowatt-hour. Rate schedule JW-2-F, available to Duke Energy Florida (DEF), would continue the current rate of 100 percent of DEF's fuel cost.

In addition to the capacity and energy charges, each preference customer will

continue to be charged for power purchased by Southeastern on behalf of the preference customer. This pass-through will continue to be computed as described in the current rate schedules, with the modification that the billing cycle conforms to the calendar month. Previously, the billing cycle occurred on the 20th of each month.

The proposed rate schedules are available for examination at 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia, 30635-6711, as is the January 2016 repayment study.

Dated: March 28, 2016.

**Kenneth E. Legg,**  
Administrator.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2014-0211; FRL-9943-69-ORD]

### Announcement on the Availability of the IRIS Program General Comments Docket; Announcement of the IRIS Program Public Science Meetings for Calendar Year 2016

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of the availability of the IRIS Program General Comments Docket and the IRIS Program public science meetings for calendar year 2016.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the availability of an IRIS Program General Comments Docket (Docket ID #EPA-HQ-ORD-2014-0211) open for public comments that have broad applicability to the IRIS Program. This docket was opened in 2014 and will remain open continuously. Stakeholders interested in submitting general comments to the IRIS Program are encouraged to use this docket. EPA is also announcing the dates for the 2016 IRIS public science meetings. Meetings will be held on May 10, 2016; June 29-30, 2016; September 7-8, 2016; and October 26-27, 2016. All future notices about the availability of draft IRIS assessments for public comment (Step 4a) or IRIS public science meetings will be posted on the IRIS Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/iris>. Comments related to specific IRIS chemicals should continue to be directed to the appropriate chemical-specific docket (see the IRIS Web site at [www.epa.gov/iris](http://www.epa.gov/iris)). To determine the status of specific IRIS assessments, visit the "Assessments in Development" page on the IRIS Web site. The IRIS Program

is committed to open communication and maintains a public listserv to make program announcements. For information about how to register for the IRIS Bulletin listserv or for the latest information on the availability of materials for ongoing IRIS assessments, visit <http://www.epa.gov/iris>.

**DATES:** Meetings will be held on May 10, 2016; June 29-30, 2016; September 7-8, 2016; and October 26-27, 2016

**ADDRESSES:** IRIS' Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/iris> or the public docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>, Docket ID: EPA-HQ-ORD-2014-0211.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on submitting comments to this docket, contact the ORD Docket at the EPA Headquarters Docket Center; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-9744; or email: [Docket\\_ORD@epa.gov](mailto:Docket_ORD@epa.gov).

For technical information on the IRIS Program, contact Vicki Soto, NCEA; telephone: 703-347-0290; facsimile: 703-347-8689; or email: [soto.vicki@epa.gov](mailto:soto.vicki@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Information About IRIS

EPA's IRIS Program is a human health assessment program that evaluates quantitative and qualitative risk information on effects that may result from exposure to chemicals found in the environment. Through the IRIS Program, EPA provides the highest quality science-based human health assessments to support the Agency's regulatory activities and decisions to protect public health. The IRIS database contains information on chemicals that can be used to support the first two steps (hazard identification and dose-response evaluation) of the human health risk assessment process. When supported by available data, IRIS provides health effects information and toxicity values for health effects (including cancer and effects other than cancer). Government and others combine IRIS toxicity values with exposure information to characterize public health risks of chemicals; this information is then used to support risk management decisions designed to protect public health.

##### II. Information on the IRIS Program General Comments Docket

EPA created the IRIS Program General Comments Docket in 2014, based in part on stakeholder's requests, to allow the public to submit comments that have broad applicability to the IRIS Program. Commenters are asked to identify themselves and provide contact information to promote an open

dialogue on issues. Examples of the types of comments appropriate for this docket include comments on general scientific issues that apply to all assessments as well as other general comments (not chemical-specific) about the IRIS Program. By having a docket for general comments, stakeholders will no longer have to submit the same general comment to individual chemical dockets that are established for each IRIS assessment.

##### III. Future Notifications on the Availability of Draft IRIS Assessments for Public Comment

In order to provide information to stakeholders in a timely and efficient manner, the IRIS Program has considered methods of more effectively communicating information to the public. As a result of these efforts, EPA will now announce public comment periods, docket numbers, and information on the availability of draft IRIS assessments, solely on the IRIS Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/iris>). EPA will no longer announce the availability of draft IRIS assessments for public comment in the **Federal Register**. This change only applies to assessments released by the IRIS Program for comment and discussion at future IRIS public science meetings and does not apply to external peer review draft IRIS assessments managed by EPA's Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office. For more information on the IRIS Program, including registering for the Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA) and IRIS Bulletin listservs, visit the IRIS Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/iris>.

##### IV. How To Submit Comments to the Docket at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

EPA invites the public to submit comments and other relevant information regarding the IRIS program and processes to the General Docket. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2014-0211, by one of the following methods:

- [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov): Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- **Email:** [Docket\\_ORD@epa.gov](mailto:Docket_ORD@epa.gov).

- **Fax:** 202-566-9744.

- **Mail:** U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center (ORD Docket), Mail Code: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460. The phone number is 202-566-1752.

- **Hand Delivery:** The ORD Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC.