FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Committee’s Designated Federal Officer: The Committee’s Designated Federal Officer is Mrs. Marcia Moore, Vietnam War Commemoration Advisory Committee, 241 18th Street South, Arlington, VA 22202, marcia.l.moore12.civ@mail.mil, 703–571–2005. For meeting information please contact Mrs. Moore or Mr. Mark Franklin, mark.r.franklin.civ@mail.mil, 703–697–4849; or Ms. Scherry Cheuning, scherry.l.cheuning.civ@mail.mil, 703–697–4908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The Committee will convene and receive an introduction to the Conceptual Plan for the Vietnam War 50th Commemoration’s 2018–2025 activities. Later this fiscal year, the Committee will provide advice to the DoD on what resources and thematic events should be offered to over 10,000 Commemorative Partners to honor Vietnam War Veterans over the next seven years.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: A copy of the agenda and handouts for this meeting may be obtained from the Committee’s Web site at http://vietnamwar50th.com. Copies will also be available at the meeting.

Public’s Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Mrs. Marcia Moore, Mr. Mark Franklin, or Ms. Scherry Cheuning at the number listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section by February 28, 2017.

Special Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact Mrs. Marcia Moore, Mr. Mark Franklin or Ms. Scherry Cheuning at the number listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section by February 28, 2017 so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Procedures for Providing Public Comments

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Committee about its mission and topics pertaining to this public meeting.

Written comments should be received by the DFO by February 28, 2017. Written comments should be submitted via email to the address for the DFO given in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section in either Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word format. Please note that since the Committee operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all submitted comments and public presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the Committee’s Web site.


Aaron Siegel, Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy


ACTION: Notice of public scoping, request for comment, and announcement of public scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) is proposing to authorize the expenditure of federal funding for the development of New England Aqua Ventus I, an offshore wind advanced technology demonstration project consisting of two turbines on floating foundations in the Gulf of Maine, approximately 2.5 miles south of Monhegan Island, Lincoln County, Maine and 12 miles off the mainland. Development actions include design, construction, and commissioning of the proposed project; environmental monitoring; and up to five years of post-construction structural and performance monitoring data collection by the University of Maine. This project is also known as the Maine Aqua Ventus I project. The proposed project would consist of up to two wind turbine
generators and the necessary electrical transmission facilities (i.e., underwater and underground cable) to connect to the Central Maine Power distribution line located in Port Clyde within the town of St. George, Maine. Additional project activities and/or potential impacts from the proposed project would occur in or near Hampden, Searsport, Monhegan Island, Port Clyde and Pemaquid, Maine. The operation, maintenance and eventual decommissioning of the proposed project are considered connected actions under the Council on Environmental Quality’s Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and will be analyzed in this Environmental Assessment (EA) as part of the proposed action.

Pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), DOE is preparing an EA to identify and analyze potential impacts to the human environment that may occur if DOE authorizes the expenditure of federal funding in support of New England Aqua Ventus I. DOE is requesting public input on the scope of the EA for New England Aqua Ventus I.

The notice of public scoping for the EA, a description of the proposed project, and additional meeting information, including inclement weather delays or postponements, are posted at: [www.energy.gov/node/AquaVentus1EA@ee.doe.gov](http://www.energy.gov/node/AquaVentus1EA@ee.doe.gov).

DOE will hold the following public meetings:

(1) The Fire Department Meeting Room at the Town of St. George Office, 2053718.
(2) Monhegan Island School, 1 Monhegan Avenue, Maine 04852 on March 1.

**Written Comments:** Written comments should be sent to Diana Heyder at U.S. Department of Energy, 15013 Denver West Parkway, Golden, CO 80401, or by email to AquaVentus1EA@ee.doe.gov.

**Full Notice:** The notice is available for viewing at: [www.energy.gov/node/2053718](http://www.energy.gov/node/2053718).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Diana Heyder at AquaVentus1EA@ee.doe.gov.

Issued in Golden, CO on February 7, 2017.

Robin L. Sweeney,
Director, Environment, Safety and Health Office, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RM98–1–000]

**Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice**

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(o)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are available for electronic review at the Commission’s Web site at [http://www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

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