*Process for Filling MRRIC Stakeholder Vacancies* (*www.MRRIC.org*).

Members and alternates of the Committee will not receive any compensation from the federal government for carrying out the duties of the MRRIC. Travel expenses incurred by members of the Committee are not currently reimbursed by the federal government.

*Application for Stakeholder Membership.* Persons who believe that they are or will be affected by the Missouri River recovery and mitigation activities may apply for stakeholder membership on the MRRIC. Committee members are obligated to avoid and disclose any individual ethical, legal, financial, or other conflicts of interest they may have involving MRRIC. Applicants must disclose on their application if they are directly employed by a government agency or program (the term ''government'' encompasses state, tribal, and federal agencies and/or programs).

Applications for stakeholder membership may be obtained electronically at *www.MRRIC.org*. Applications may be emailed or mailed to the location listed (see **ADDRESSES**). In order to be considered, each application must include:

1. The name of the applicant and the primary stakeholder interest category that person is qualified to represent;
2. A written statement describing the applicant's area of expertise and why the applicant believes he or she should be appointed to represent that area of expertise on the MRRIC;
3. A written statement describing how the applicant's participation as a Stakeholder Representative will fulfill the roles and responsibilities of MRRIC;
4. A written description of the applicant's past experience(s) working collaboratively with a group of individuals representing varied interests towards achieving a mutual goal, and the outcome of the effort(s);
5. A written description of the communication network that the applicant plans to use to inform his or her constituents and to gather their feedback, and
6. A written endorsement letter from an organization, local government body, or formal constituency, which demonstrates that the applicant represents an interest group(s) in the Missouri River basin.

To be considered, the application must be complete and received by the close of business on July 27 2018, at the location indicated (see **ADDRESSES**). Applications must include an endorsement letter to be considered complete. Full consideration will be given to all complete applications received by the specified due date.

*Application Review Process.* Committee stakeholder applications will be forwarded to the current members of the MRRIC. The MRRIC will provide membership recommendations to the Corps as described in Attachment A of the *Process for Filling MRRIC Stakeholder Vacancies* document (*www.MRRIC.org*). The Corps is responsible for appointing stakeholder members. The Corps will consider applications using the following criteria:

- Ability to commit the time required.
- Commitment to make a good faith (as defined in the Charter) effort to seek balanced solutions that address multiple interests and concerns.
- Agreement to support and adhere to the approved MRRIC Charter and Operating Procedures.
- Demonstration of a formal designation or endorsement by an organization, local government, or constituency as its preferred representative.
- Demonstration of an established communication network to keep constituents informed and efficiently seek their input when needed.
- Agreement to participate in collaboration training as a condition of membership.

All applicants will be notified in writing as to the final decision about their application.

*Certification.* I hereby certify that the establishment of the MRRIC is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Corps by the Endangered Species Act and other statutes.

Dated: May 18, 2018.

**Mark Harberg,**

*Program Manager for the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on Marine and Hydrokinetic (MHK) Metrics in the U.S. for System and Subsystem Performance

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Request for Information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on its Request for Information (RFI) on Marine and Hydrokinetic (MHK) metrics in the U.S. for system and subsystem performance. The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) is specifically interested in feedback on (1) the performance metrics identified within the document titled ''Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics'' relating to performance in the U.S. marine resource, as well as any additional applications, assumptions, benefits, drawbacks, or other considerations for those metrics, (2) any performance metrics not captured within the ''Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics'' documents, (3) considerations for baseline reference values documenting the current state of the U.S. MHK industry identified by metric and resource type, and (4) feedback specifically on Technology Readiness Level (TRL) definitions as referenced in the document and as those TRL definitions relate to the U.S. MHK industry.

**DATES:** Responses to the RFI must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (ET) on July 31, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are to submit comments electronically to *WPTORFI@ee.doe.gov.* Responses must be provided as attachments to an email. Include ''MHK Metrics RFI'' as the subject of the email. It is recommended that attachments with file sizes exceeding 25MB be compressed (*i.e.,* zipped) to ensure message delivery. Responses must be provided as a Microsoft Word (.docx) attachment to the email, and no more than 10 pages in length, 12 point font, 1 inch margins. Only electronic responses will be accepted. The complete RFI document is located at: *https://eere-exchange.energy.gov.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions may be addressed to *WPTORFI@ee.doe.gov.* Further instruction can be found in the RFI document posted on EERE Exchange.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this RFI is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research institutions, government agencies, and other stakeholders on assumptions and uncertainties with metrics in the U.S. that are used to evaluate MHK system and subsystem performance. In addition to levelized cost of energy, various other metrics, as documented in ''Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics'' (collocated with this RFI on EERE Exchange, *https://eere-Exchange.energy.gov/*), have historically been utilized to evaluate and track progress within the MHK industry. EERE is specifically interested in feedback on the application and limitations of those metrics that are currently used or have been used previously, and is also soliciting

suggestions for new metrics or new applications of existing metrics. Feedback is requested on the content within the document titled ''Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics'', including possible gaps, additional limitations, or further considerations. The results of this RFI may be used to inform the Water Power Technologies Office strategic planning in future years, contribute to evaluation criteria for potential future funding opportunities, and provide a baseline for U.S. input into international efforts related to Marine Renewable Energy metrics.

**Confidential Business Information**

Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.11, any person submitting information that he or she believes to be confidential and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit via email two well marked copies: One copy of the document marked ''confidential'' including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document marked ''non-confidential'' with the information believed to be confidential deleted. DOE will make its own determination about the confidential status of the information and treat it according to its determination.

Factors of interest to DOE when evaluating requests to treat submitted information as confidential include: (1) A description of the items; (2) whether and why such items are customarily treated as confidential within the industry; (3) whether the information is generally known by or available from other sources; (4) whether the information has previously been made available to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality; (5) an explanation of the competitive injury to the submitting person that would result from public disclosure; (6) when such information might lose its confidential character due to the passage of time; and (7) why disclosure of the information would be contrary to the public interest.

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**Alejandro Moreno,**

*Director, Water Power Technologies Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Availability of Draft Waste Incidental to Reprocessing Evaluation for Closure of Waste Management Area C at the Hanford Site, Washington

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announces the availability of the *Draft Waste Incidental to Reprocessing Evaluation for Closure of Waste Management Area C at the Hanford Site, Washington* (Draft WIR Evaluation). The Draft WIR Evaluation demonstrates that the tanks and ancillary structures, from which waste has been or will be removed, and their residual waste at closure of Waste Management Area C (WMA C) is waste that is incidental to reprocessing, is not high-level radioactive waste (HLW), and may be managed (disposed in-place) as low-level radioactive waste (LLW). DOE prepared the Draft WIR Evaluation pursuant to DOE Order 435.1, *Radioactive Waste Management,* and the criteria in DOE Manual 435.1–1, *Radioactive Waste Management Manual.* DOE is consulting with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) before finalizing this evaluation. DOE is also making the Draft WIR Evaluation available for comment from States, Tribal Nations, and the public. After consultation with NRC, carefully considering comments received, and performing any necessary revisions of analyses and technical documents, DOE will prepare a final WIR evaluation and potentially make a determination as to whether the WMA C tanks, ancillary structures, and their residuals at closure of WMA C are wastes that are incidental to reprocessing, which may be managed and disposed of as LLW.

**DATES:** DOE invites comment on the Draft WIR Evaluation during a 96-day comment period beginning June 4, 2018, and ending on September 7, 2018. A public meeting on the Draft WIR Evaluation will be held on June 18, 2018. Before the scheduled meeting, DOE will issue stakeholder and media notifications and publish an additional notice in the local newspaper providing the date, time, and location of the public meeting. Information on the public meeting date and location also will be available before the scheduled meeting at the website listed in **ADDRESSES**.

**ADDRESSES:** The Draft WIR Evaluation is available on the internet at *https://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/WasteManagementAreaC* and is publicly available for review at the following locations: U.S. DOE Public Reading Room, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, phone: (202) 586–5955, or fax: (202) 586–0575; and U.S. DOE Public Reading Room located at 2770 University Drive, Consolidated Information Center (CIC), Room 101L, Richland, WA 99354, phone: (509) 372–7303. Written comments should be submitted to: Mr. Jan Bovier, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection, P.O. Box 450, MSIN H6–60, Richland, WA 99354. Alternatively, comments may also be filed electronically by email to: *WMACDRAFTWIR@rl.gov.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information about this Draft WIR Evaluation, please contact Mr. Jan Bovier by mail at U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection, P.O. Box 450, MSIN H6–60, Richland, WA 99354, by phone at 509–376–9630, or by email at *Jan_B_Bovier@orp.doe.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DOE has conducted a multi-year program to remove the vast majority of the radioactive waste and key radionuclides contained in 16 underground, single-shell tanks (tanks which do not have secondary containment) and ancillary structures (a catch tank, a process vault with smaller tanks, diversion boxes and buried pipelines), located in WMA C at the Hanford Site. For example, approximately 96 percent of the waste volume and radionuclide activity has been removed from the largest (100 series) tanks using a series of advanced technologies. The tanks and ancillary structures previously stored or transferred a variety of wastes, including liquid waste generated by DOE and its predecessor agencies from the reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel to produce plutonium and other nuclear material for nuclear weapons during the Manhattan Project and Cold War eras.

DOE Manual 435.1–1, which accompanies DOE Order 435.1, *Radioactive Waste Management,* provides for a rigorous evaluation process that DOE uses to determine whether or not certain waste from the reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel is incidental to reprocessing, is not HLW and may be managed as LLW. This process, in relevant part, requires demonstrating that:

(1) The wastes have been processed, or will be processed, to remove key radionuclides to the maximum extent that is technically and economically practical;

(2) The waste will be managed to meet safety requirements comparable to the performance objectives set out in 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 61, Subpart C, *Performance Objectives;* and

(3) The waste will be managed, pursuant to DOE authority under the *Atomic Energy Act of 1954,* as amended, and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter IV of DOE Manual 435.1–1, provided the waste will be incorporated