

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Council: The National Coal Council provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on general policy matters relating to coal and the coal industry.

Purpose of Meeting: The National Coal Council (the Council) will hold its Fall 2018 Meeting from 8:20 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Eastern on September 13, 2018. A portion of the meeting will be dedicated to a discussion and vote to finalize two draft reports: "Advancing U.S. Coal Exports: An Assessment of Opportunities to Enhance Exports of U.S. Coal" and "Power Reset: Optimizing the Existing U.S. Coal Fleet to Ensure a Reliable and Resilient Power Grid." The Council membership will be asked to finalize the reports and forward them to the U.S. Secretary of Energy.

The draft reports will be available on the National Coal Council website on August 31, 2018 at the following URLs:

- U.S. Coal Exports—<http://www.nationalcoalcouncil.org/studies/2018/NCC-US-Coal-Exports-2018.pdf>
- Power Reset—Existing Coal Fleet—<http://www.nationalcoalcouncil.org/studies/2018/NCC-Power-Reset-2018.pdf>

Tentative Agenda

1. Call to order and opening remarks by Steven Winberg, NCC Designated Federal Officer, Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy
2. Presentation by Steven Winberg, NCC Designated Federal Officer, Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy
3. Presentation by Matthew Greek, Senior Vice President—Research, Development and Technology, Basin Electric Power Cooperative on Power Reset: Optimizing the Existing Coal Fleet to Ensure a Reliable & Resilient Power Grid
4. Presentation by David Lawson, Vice President Coal, Norfolk Southern Corporation on Advancing U.S Coal Exports: An Assessment of Opportunities to Enhance Export of U.S. Coal
5. Presentation by TBD from Arq Ltd. on Microfine Hydrocarbon: A Novel Approach to Upgrading Coal into Higher-Value Oil Products
6. Presentation by Seth Schwartz, President, Energy Ventures Analysis on Outlook on Future Markets for Coal

7. Public Comment Period and Closing Remarks
8. Adjourn

Attendees are requested to register in advance for the meeting at: <http://www.nationalcoalcouncil.org/page-NCC-Events.html>.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Council, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any item on the agenda, you should contact Joseph Giove, 301-903-4130 or joseph.giove@hq.doe.gov (email). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include oral statements on the scheduled agenda. The Chairperson of the Council will lead the meeting in a manner that facilitates the orderly conduct of business. Oral statements are limited to 5-minutes per organization and per person.

Minutes: A link to the transcript of the meeting will be posted on the FACA Database website: <https://facadatabase.gov/committee/history/meetings.aspx?cid=408&fy=2017>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on August 7, 2018.

Latanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Northern New Mexico**

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a combined meeting of the Environmental Monitoring 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 requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: NNMCAB Office, 94 Cities of Gold Road, Pojoaque, NM 87506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Menice Santistevan, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board, 94

Cities of Gold Road, Santa Fe, NM 87506. Phone (505) 995-0393; Fax (505) 989-1752 or email: menice.santistevan@em.doe.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 and Remediation Committee (EM&R): The EM&R Committee provides a citizens' perspective to NNMCAB on current and future environmental remediation activities resulting from historical Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) operations and, in particular, issues pertaining to groundwater, surface water and work required under the New Mexico Environment Department Order on Consent. The EM&R Committee will keep abreast of DOE-EM and site programs and plans. The committee will work with the NNMCAB 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 NNMCAB, 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 NNMCAB regarding waste management operations at the Los Alamos site.

Tentative Agenda:

- Call to Order and Introductions
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from April 18, 2018
- Old Business
- New Business
- Update from NNMCAB Chair
- Update from Deputy Designated Federal Officer
- Report on DOE Office of Legacy Management's Long-Term Stewardship Conference
- Public Comment Period
- Chromium Update
- Adjourn

Public Participation: The NNMCAB's Committees welcome the attendance of the public at their combined committee meeting and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Menice Santistevan at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the telephone

number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Committees either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Menice Santistevan at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Menice Santistevan at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes and other Board documents are on the internet at: <http://energy.gov/em/nnmcab/meeting-materials>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on August 7, 2018.

Latanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP18-532-000]

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.; SOCCO, Inc.; Sumas Pipeline Company; Sumas Dry Kilns, Inc.; Notice of Application

Take notice that on July 20, 2018 Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (Puget), SOCCO, Inc. (SOCCO), Sumas Pipeline Company (Sumas) and Sumas Dry Kilns, Inc. (Dry Kilns), filed in Docket No. CP18-532-000, a joint application pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), to amend authorization under NGA section 3 and Presidential Permit to reflect that Sumas has transferred a portion of its ownership interest in the border crossing facility and natural gas pipeline located in Whatcom County, Washington to Puget and SOCCO and the subsequent, pending transfer of SOCCO's resulting ownership interest to Sumas Dry Kilns, Inc. Puget, SOCCO, and Dry Kilns propose no construction or modification to the previously-approved facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <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 or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Pamela J. Anderson, Perkins Coie LLP, 10885 NE 4th Street, Suite 700, Bellevue, Washington 98033, by phone at (425) 635-1417 or by email at PJAnderson@perkinscoie.com.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will 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 EA.

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 below listed comment date, 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 five 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 commentors 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 commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors 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.

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 original and five copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on August 23, 2018.

Dated: August 2, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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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