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Applicants: Texas Eastern

Transmission, LP.

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Negotiated Rates—Various Releases eff 5–1–22 to be effective 5/1/2022.

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Applicants: Algonquin Gas

Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing:

Negotiated Rates—Various Releases eff 5–1–22 to be effective 5/1/2022.

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Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp>) by querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: May 3, 2022.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14976–000]

Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XXIII, LLC; Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permit

Take notice that Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XXIII, LLC, permittee for the proposed George B. Stevenson Dam Hydropower Project, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The permit was issued on December 6, 2019 and would have expired on

November 30, 2023.¹ The project would have been located at the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' George B. Stevenson Dam on First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek in Cameron County, Pennsylvania.

The preliminary permit for Project No. 14976 will remain in effect until the close of business, June 2, 2022. But, if the Commission is closed on this day, then the permit remains in effect until the close of business on the next day in which the Commission is open.² New applications for this site may not be submitted until after the permit surrender is effective.

Dated: May 3, 2022.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9773–01–OA]

Notification of a Public Meeting of the Chartered Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the chartered Science Advisory Board. The purpose of the meeting is to (1) review the scientific and technical basis of the proposed rule “Revised Definition of Waters of the United States”; and (2) discuss recommendations received from the SAB Work Group for Review of Science Supporting EPA Decisions.

DATES: The public meeting of the chartered Science Advisory Board will be held on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) and Thursday, June 2, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be conducted virtually. Please refer to the SAB website at <https://sab.epa.gov> for information on how to attend the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public who wants further information concerning this notice may contact Dr. Thomas Armitage, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone (202) 564–2155, or email at armitage.thomas@epa.gov. General

information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice can be found on the SAB website at <https://sab.epa.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The SAB was established pursuant to the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act (ERDDAA), codified at 42 U.S.C. 4365, to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the EPA Administrator on the scientific and technical basis for agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the chartered Science Advisory Board will hold a public meeting to review the scientific and technical basis of the proposed rule “Revised Definition of Waters of the United States” described in 86 FR 69372–69450 and discuss recommendations received from the SAB Work Group for Review of Science Supporting EPA Decisions. Under the SAB's authorizing statute, the SAB “may make available to the Administrator, within the time specified by the Administrator, its advice and comments on the adequacy of the scientific and technical basis” of proposed rules. The SAB Work Group for Review of Science Supporting EPA Decisions is charged with identifying EPA planned actions that may warrant SAB review. The SAB will hold a public meeting to (1) review the scientific and technical basis of the proposed rule “Revised Definition of Waters of the United States,” and (2) discuss recommendations received from the SAB Work Group for Review of Science Supporting EPA Decisions with regard to SAB review of other EPA planned actions.

Availability of Meeting Materials: All meeting materials, including the agenda will be available on the SAB web page at <https://sab.epa.gov>.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office. Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide

¹ 169 FERC ¶ 62,139 (2019).

² 18 CFR 385.2007(a)(2) (2021).

independent advice to the EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments pertaining to the committee's charge or meeting materials. Input from the public to the SAB will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for the SAB to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should follow the instruction below to submit comments.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to three minutes. Each person making an oral statement should consider providing written comments as well as the oral statement so that the points presented orally can be expanded upon in writing. Persons interested in providing oral statements should contact the DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by May 24, 2022, to be placed on the list of registered speakers.

Written Statements: Written statements will be accepted throughout the advisory process; however, for timely consideration by SAB members, statements should be submitted to the DFO by May 24, 2022, for consideration at the public meeting on May 31, 2022, and June 2, 2022. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO at the contact information above via email. Submitters are requested to provide a signed and unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its websites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the SAB website. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

Accessibility: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact the DFO, at the contact information noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give the EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Thomas H. Brennan,
Director, Science Advisory Board Staff Office.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-ORD-2020-0682; FRL-9826-01-ORD]

Notice of Public Comment Period on the Pool of Candidate Peer Reviewers for the Biofuels and the Environment: Third Triennial Report to Congress

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a 15-day public comment period on the pool of twenty (20) candidates for the external peer review of the Biofuels and the Environment: Third Triennial Report to Congress (RtC3). The peer review will be conducted under the framework of EPA's Scientific Integrity Policy (https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2014-02/documents/scientific_integrity_policy_2012.pdf) and follow procedures established in EPA's Peer Review Handbook 4th Edition, 2015 (EPA/100/B-15/001). After consideration of public comments on the candidate pool, EPA's contractor, ERG, will select from this pool the final list of up to nine (9) peer reviewers, ensuring their combined expertise best spans the following disciplines: Economics, engineering, agronomics, land use change, remote sensing, air quality, biogeochemistry, water quality, hydrology, conservation biology, limnology, and ecology. This **Federal Register** notice (FRN) follows a previous FRN seeking nominations for the peer review panel published on February 1, 2022.

DATES: The 15-day public comment period on the list of proposed peer review candidates begins May 9, 2022 and ends May 24, 2022. Comments must be received on or before May 24, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Please follow the instructions as provided in the section of this notice entitled **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions concerning the process for forming the peer review panel should be directed to EPA's contractor, ERG, by email to peerreview@erg.com (subject line: RtC3 Peer Review). For information on the period of submission, contact the ORD Docket at the EPA Headquarters Docket Center; phone: 202-566-1752; fax: 202-566-9744; or email: ord.docket@epa.gov. For technical information, contact Christopher Clark; phone: 202-564-4183; or email: Clark.Christopher@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Information About the Document

In 2007, Congress enacted the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) with the stated goals of "mov[ing] the United States toward greater energy independence and security [and] to increase the production of clean renewable fuels." In accordance with these goals, EISA revised the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) Program, which was created under the 2005 Energy Policy Act and is administered by the EPA, to increase the volume of renewable fuel required to be blended into transportation fuel to 36 billion gallons per year by 2022. Section 204 of EISA directs the EPA, in consultation with the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Energy, to assess and report triennially to Congress on the environmental and resource conservation impacts of the RFS Program.

The first report to Congress (RtC1) was completed in 2011 and provided an assessment of the environmental and resource conservation impacts associated with increased biofuel production and use (EPA/600/R-10/183F). The overarching conclusions of this first report were: (1) The environmental impacts of increased biofuel production and use were likely negative but limited in impact; (2) there was a potential for both positive and negative impacts in the future; and (3) EISA goals for biofuels production could be achieved with minimal environmental impacts if best practices were used and if technologies advanced to facilitate the use of second-generation biofuel feedstocks (corn stover, perennial grasses, woody biomass, algae, and waste).

The second report to Congress (RtC2) was completed in 2018 and reaffirmed the overarching conclusions of the RtC1 (EPA/600/R-18/195). The RtC2 noted that the biofuel production and use conditions that led to the conclusions of the RtC1 had not materially changed, and that the production of biofuels from cellulosic feedstocks anticipated by both the EISA and the RtC1 had not materialized. Noting observed increases in acreage for corn and soybean production in the period prior to and following implementation of the RFS2 Program, the RtC2 concluded that the environmental and resource conservation impacts associated with land use change were likely due, at least in part, to the RFS Program and associated production of biofuel feedstocks but that further research was needed.