(Iowa-Illinois), Midwest Power Systems Inc. (Midwest Power), and IES Utilities Inc. (IES), as Assignors, pursuant to the Operating Agreement/Neal 3 Transmission (MidAmerican Rate Schedule FERC No. 11) dated January 2, 1978, with each of City of Algoma, Iowa, City of Bancroft, Iowa, City of Coon Rapids, Iowa, Corn Belt Power Cooperative, City of Graettinger, Iowa, City of Laurens, Iowa, City of Milford, Iowa, City of Spencer, Iowa, and City of Webster City, Iowa, as Assignees. MidAmerican is successor by merger to Iowa-Illinois and Midwest Power. A certificate of concurrence by IES has been filed.

The Assignments reflect an assignment of certain transmission capacity schedule rights in the existing Neal 3 Transmission Line (running from the Raun Substation to the Lehigh Substation) from the Assignors to each of the nine part-owners who are the Assignees. The Neal 3 Transmission Line is used by the owners of the Neal 4 Generating Station for transmission of the power and energy generated by the unit. The Neal 4 generating unit's accredited capacity was increased on June 20, 1991, and again on August 28, 1993. The Assignees are part-owners of Neal 4. Accordingly, each Assignee required additional transmission capacity scheduling.

MidAmerican proposes to make the Assignments effective on July 1, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served upon Cooperative, the Iowa Utilities Board, the Illinois Commerce Commission, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission and each of the Assignees.

Comment date: July 17, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the

Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Notice of New Docket Prefix "OA"

July 3, 1996.

Take notice that a new docket prefix has been established for filings made pursuant to Order Nos. 888 ¹ and 889. ² In its Order Clarifying Order Nos. 888 and 889, issued July 2, 1996, the Commission directed the use of the docket prefix "OA" on filings by all entities submitting:

- (1) compliance filings required by Order No. 888 due on or before July 9, 1996 and on or before December 31, 1996;
- (2) compliance filings required by Order No. 889 due on or before November 1, 1996: and
- (3) requests for waivers of all or part of the requirements of Order Nos. 888 and 889.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Project No. 184-050 California]

Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

July 3, 1996.

An environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review. The EA is for an application to divert water (up to 500 acre-feet per year) from Caples Lake for snow making purposes at the Kirkwood Ski Resort. Caples Lake is a project reservoir of the El Dorado Project. The proposal is part of the Kirkwood Water Rights and Snowmaking Project previously reviewed by the U.S. Forest Service, Alpine County, and other federal, state, and local agencies. The EA finds that approval of the application would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the human environment. The El Dorado Project is

located on the South Fork American River in El Dorado and Alpine Counties, California.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA are available for review at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2–A, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. Copies can also be obtained by calling the project manager, Jon Cofrancesco at (202) 219–0079. Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-55-35-7]

National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology Information Impacts Committee; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, PL 92463, EPA gives notice of a two-day meeting of the National Advisory Council for **Environmental Policy and Technology** (NACEPT) Information Impacts Committee (IIC). NACEPT provides advice and recommendations to the Administrator of EPA on a broad range of environmental policy issues. The IIC has been asked to review information requirements, and provide recommendations on how to effectively position information resources to support new, comprehensive and longterm Agency initiatives. This meeting is being held to provide the IIC with Industry and Federal InterAgency perspectives through panel discussions with members of both of those sectors. Additionally, the Committee intends to put into perspective the input received at this session and the input received at the July 11-12, 1996 session where State, Local Government, Community, Tribal, and EPA Regional views were presented.

DATES: The two-day public meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 1996 from 9 am to 5 pm and on Wednesday, September 11, 1996 from 9 am to 3 pm. The meeting will be held at the Dupont Plaza Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036. ADDRESSES: Although time will be limited, there will be opportunity for

¹ Docket Nos. RM95–8–000 and RM94–7–001; Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities, and Recovery of Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities, 61 FR 21540 (May 10, 1996); FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶31,036 (1996).

² Docket No. RM95–9–000; Open Access Same-Time Information System (formerly Real-Time Information Networks) and Standards of Conduct, 61 FR 21737 (May 10, 1996); FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶31,037 (1996).

public comment. Interested parties may submit written materials or comments, or may choose to address the committee directly. In either case, requests for participation must be submitted no later than August 30, 1996, to Joe Sierra, Designated Federal Official, NACEPT/IIC, U.S. EPA, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management (1601–F), 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Sierra, Designated Federal Official for the Information Impacts Committee at 202–260–6839.

Dated: July 2, 1996. Joseph A. Sierra,

Designated Federal Official.

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[OPP-00442; FRL-5383-6]

State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG); Open Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) will hold a 2-day meeting, beginning on Monday, July 15, 1996 and ending on Tuesday, July 16, 1996. This notice announces the location and times for the meeting and sets forth tentative agenda topics. The meetings are open to the public.

DATES: The SFIREG will meet on Monday, July 15, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday, July 16, 1996 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel, 300 Army-Navy Drive, Crystal City-Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Shirley M. Howard, Office of Pesticide Programs (7506C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 1100, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson-Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305–5306 (phone), (703) 308–3259 (fax) and e:mail address:

howard.shirleym@epamail.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The tentative agenda of the SFIREG includes the following:

- 1. Discussion regarding "co-pack" products.
- 2. FIFRA section 25(b) exemptions discussion.
- 3. Discussion of State Management Plans for ground water protection and

the Office of Pesticide Programs' National Workshop.

- 4. Discussion of laboratory support for pesticide regulatory programs.
- 5. Demonstration of potential, and discussion of endangered species Internet Home Page.
- 6. Discussion of potential changes to SFIREG structure and function.
- 7. Presentation of SFIREG issues status report.
- 8. Regional SFIREG representatives' reports.
 - 9. Pesticide resistence.
- 11. Discussion of Silver Platter subscriptions.
 - 10. Other topics as appropriate.

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Dated: June 28, 1996.

William L. Jordan,

Acting Director, Field Operations Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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[OPP-42076A; FRL-5369-9]

State of Nebraska Plan for Certification of Pesticide Applicators

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Approval of Certification Plan.

SUMMARY: On March 20, 1996, EPA announced its intention to approve the Nebraska Certification Plan for restricted use pesticide applicators. Nebraska had been certifying restricted use pesticide applicators under a Certification Plan approved on a contingency basis. The March 20, 1996 Notice solicited comments on a revised Nebraska Certification Plan. The revised Plan incorporates the changes needed to remove the contingency approval and to fully comply with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the regulations at 40 CFR part 171. No comments were received and EPA therefore approves the Nebraska Certification Plan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard O. Jacobson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Lincoln Field Office, 100 Centennial Mall North, Rm. 289, Lincoln, NE 68508, Telephone: (402) 437-5080, email: jacobson.jake@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Federal Register of April 21, 1994 (59 FR 19010), notice was published of the intent of the Regional Administrator, EPA Region 7 to approve, on a

contingency basis, the State of Nebraska Plan for the Certification of Pesticide Applicators. After an appropriate comment period, a notice of approval, on a contingent basis, was published in the Federal Register of July 20, 1994 (59 FR 37038). The Federal Register notice of July 20, 1994, also addressed comments which had been submitted.

The July 20, 1994 Notice of Contingent Approval stated that final approval of the Nebraska Certification Plan would be granted upon development of appropriate regulations, completion of cooperative agreements with other State agencies, and revision of competency standards for one commercial applicator category. These conditions have been met. Appropriate regulations are contained in Title 25 Nebraska Administrative Code Chapter 2 and are incorporated in the revised Nebraska Certification Plan. The Nebraska Department of Agriculture is responsible for the overall administration of the plan. The cooperative agreements between the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, the University of Nebraska, and the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics assure the coordination and cooperation of the various State agencies. These cooperative agreements are contained in the revised Nebraska Certification Plan. The revised Nebraska competency standards for Nebraska category 8, Structural/Health Related Pest Control, meet the requirements contained in the corresponding EPA standards at 40 CFR 171.4(c) (7). EPA announced its intention to approve this revised plan in the Federal Register of March 20, 1996 (61 FR 11405) (FRL-4989-3), and solicited comments. No comments were received and EPA therefore approves the revised plan.

Copies of the approved plan are available for review at the following locations during normal business hours:

1. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Lincoln Field Office, 100 Centennial Mall North, Rm. 289, Lincoln, NE 68508. Contact: Richard O. Jacobson, (402) 437-5080, e-mail: jacobson.jake@epamail.epa.gov.

2. Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Plant Industry, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509. Contact: Geir Friisoe (402) 471-2394.

3. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs (7506C), 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Mall #2, Rm. 1121, Arlington, VA 22202. Contact: John MacDonald (703) 305-7370.

List of Subjects

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