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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Sunshine Act; Meeting

Agency Holding the Meeting:
Tennessee Valley Authority (Meeting No. 1538).

Time and Date: 9 a.m. (CST), March 26, 2002.

Place: Trousdale County Courthouse, 200 East Main Street, Hartsville, Tennessee.

Status: Open.

Agenda

Approval of minutes of meeting held on January 22, 2002.

New Business

C—Energy

C1. Sale at public auction of two coal leases on the TVA Illinois Coal Reserves and delegation of authority to the Executive Vice President, Fossil Power Group, to administer and amend the leases to maximize royalty income to TVA.

C2. Contract with Martin Marietta Aggregates for limestone supply for Cumberland Fossil Plant.

C3. Contract with Vulcan Materials Company for limestone supply for Widows Creek Fossil Plant Units 7 and 8.

C4. Contract with KenAmerican Resources, Inc., for coal supply for Paradise Fossil Plant Units 1 and 2.

C5. Contract with Liberty Coal Company, LLC, for coal supply for Shawnee Fossil Plant Unit 10.

C6. Extension of Contract No. CO0107-01 with Hopkins County Coal, LLC for coal supply for Widows Creek Fossil Plant Units 7 and 8 and award of a contract to Synfuel Solutions

Operating, LLC for synthetic fuel to be manufactured from coal produced by Hopkins County Coal.

C7. Delegation of authority to enter into a coal transloading and blending services contract with Calvert City Terminal LLC for delivery to various TVA fossil plants.

C8. Contract with Cameco, Inc., for the supply of uranium trioxide to be used as blend stock to convert highly enriched uranium transferred to TVA from DOE into low enriched uranium suitable for use in nuclear fuel at TVA's Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant.

C9. Supplements to contracts with Adecco, Midpoint International, Inc., and Westaff to continue staff augmentation engineering and technical support services for all TVA organizations.

E—Real Property Transactions

E1. Public auction sale of approximately 554 acres of TVA land on the Hartsville Nuclear Plant Site Reservation for industrial/commercial development purposes only in Trousdale and Smith Counties, Tennessee (Tract No. XOHPN-2).

E2. Sale of noncommercial, nonexclusive permanent easements to Johnny and Lynn Solomon (Tract No. XTELR-224RE) and Michael and Nancy Huddleston (Tract No. XTELR-225RE) for construction, operation, and maintenance of private water-use facilities affecting approximately .08 acre of land on Tellico Reservoir in Monroe and Loudon Counties, Tennessee.

E3. Grant of permanent and temporary construction easements, without charge, except for payment of administrative costs, to the city of Jefferson City, Tennessee, affecting approximately 2.2 acres of land on Cherokee Reservoir in Jefferson County, Tennessee (Tract No. XTCK-66S), for a sewer line and pump station.

E4. Grant of a permanent easement for a substation, without charge, except for payment of administrative costs, to Appalachian Electric Cooperative affecting approximately 8.8 acres of land on Cherokee Dam Reservation in Grainger County, Tennessee (Tract No. XTCK-65SS).

E5. Modification of deed restrictions affecting approximately 11.9 acres of former TVA land on Chickamauga Reservoir (a portion of Tract No. XCR-188) in Rhea County, Tennessee.

E6. Grant of a permanent easement, without charge, except for administrative costs, to the city of Dayton, Tennessee, for recreation purposes affecting approximately 91.5 acres of land on Chickamauga Reservoir

in Rhea County, Tennessee (Tract No. XTCR-199RE).

E7. Grant of a 5-year term easement, without charge, except for administrative costs, to the Watts Bar Utility District for a well, water storage tank, and waterlines affecting approximately 3.2 acres of land on Watts Bar Reservoir in Rhea County, Tennessee (Tract No. XTWBR-142E).

E8. Sale of a permanent easement to Jeff Percy for a road and utilities easement affecting approximately 0.53 acre of land on Kentucky Reservoir in Decatur County, Tennessee (Tract No. XGIR-938H).

E9. Grant of a permanent easement, without charge, except for payment of administrative costs, to the State of Tennessee for highway improvement purposes affecting approximately 1.1 acres of land on Melton Hill Reservoir in Anderson County, Tennessee (Tract No. XTMHR-20H).

E10. Grant of a permanent easement, without charge, except for payment of administrative costs, to the Bond Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund, Inc., for a cemetery expansion affecting approximately 1.6 acres of land on Cedar Creek Reservoir in Franklin County, Alabama (Tract No. XTBCER-2CE).

E11. Grant of a permanent easement, without charge, except for payment of administrative costs, to the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for general governmental and storage space purposes, affecting approximately 7 acres of land on Wheeler Reservoir in Limestone County, Alabama (Tract No. XTWR-108B).

E12. Public auction sale for commercial development purposes of approximately 4.1 acres of land on the Muscle Shoals Reservation in Colber County, Alabama (Tract No. X2NPT-16).

F—Other

F1. Approval to file condemnation cases to acquire transmission line easements of rights-of-way affecting Tracts Nos. HCVB-1, -2, -43, -45, -47, -49, -51, -54, -68, -71, -55 and -76, Hanceville-Bremen Transmission Line in Cullman County, Alabama, and Tracts Nos. SEM-1, -3, -38, and -29, Sturgis-Eupora Tap to Maben Transmission Line in Choctaw and Webster Counties, Mississippi.

Information Items

1. Approval of the renewal of the Regional Resource Stewardship Council charter for an additional 2 years.

2. Approval of the extension of Contract No. CO0036-01 with AEI

Resources, Inc., for coal supply to Widows Creek Fossil Plant.

3. Approval of an amendment to the Business Practice entitled "The Acquisition and Disposal of Fossil Fuels and Related Transportation and Storage" to standardize and streamline TVA's fuel acquisition process and to reflect recent changes in the strategic alignment of the Fossil Power Group.

4. Approval of an amendment to the Business Practice entitled "The Sale or use of Coal Combustion By-Products and Related Services" to reflect recent changes in the strategic alignment of the Fossil Power Group.

For more information: Please call TVA Media Relations at (865) 632-6000, Knoxville, Tennessee. Information is also available at TVA's Washington Office (202) 898-2999. People who plan to attend the meeting and have special needs should call (865) 632-6000. Anyone who wishes to comment on any of the agenda in writing may send their comments to: TVA Board of Directors, Board Agenda Comments, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Dated: March 19, 2002.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Flammability Test Method for Aircraft Blankets

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and requests comments on a proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO) pertaining to a flammability test method for aircraft blankets. The proposed TSO prescribes the minimum performance standards that aircraft blankets must meet to be identified with the marking "TSO-C152."

DATES: Comments must identify the TSO file number and be received on or before June 7, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed technical standard order to: Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence

Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

Or deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Comments must identify the TSO file number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Hal Jensen, Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, FAX No. (202) 267-5340.

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed TSO listed in this notice by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they desire to the above specified address. Comments received on the proposed technical standard order may be examined, before and after the comment closing date, in Room 815, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB-10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments specified above will be considered by the Director of the Aircraft Certification Service before issuing the final TSO.

Background

This TSO is proposed to provide minimum performance standards for the flammability characteristics of blankets to be used for passenger comfort in aircraft cabins.

On November 28, 1993, the pilot of a Northwest Airlines B727-200 aircraft declared an emergency after a fire was reported in an overhead stowage bin. The fire was noticed just as the aircraft was being pushed back from the loading gate at Dorval International Airport. The fire was extinguished by crew members and all passengers were safely evacuated.

The stowage bin involved in the fire contained a personal carry-on bag and five 100 percent polyester airline blankets in two separate piles. The blankets were supplied by two different manufacturers. Upon completion of their investigation, the Transportation Safety Board (TSB) of Canada determined that the original source of fuel for the fire was the 100 percent polyester airline blankets. This conclusion was based on TSB testing of a section of unburned blanket. In their first test, a lit match was placed at the edge of the blanket. In their second test, a lit match was placed on top of the

blanket. In both cases, the blanket ignited and rapid propagation of flame was observed.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) does not require flammability testing of airline blankets. Therefore in light of the above incident, the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board asked the FAA to develop a fire performance test method and performance criteria for blankets supplied to commercial airline operators. At that time, many airlines used blankets that met only the FAA vertical Bunsen burner test criteria specified in Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations § 25.853. However, this test may be inappropriate as a measurement of ignitability for certain types of blankets since the polyester blankets involved in the Northwest Airlines B727-200 fire met the test criteria.

In March 1996, the FAA's Technical Center completed the development of a flammability test for blankets. The Technical Center published its report and included it in the FAA's Aircraft Materials Fire Test Handbook. In August 1996, the FAA issued Flight Standards Information Bulletin for Air Transportation (FSAT) 96-11 that recommended that air carriers replace old blankets at the end of their service life with blankets that met these new FAA-developed standards.

FSAT 96-11 expired in August 1997, and industry no longer had an FAA-approved flammability standard for aircraft blankets to reference. Therefore, the FAA is issuing Technical Standard Order (TSO) C152, Flammability Test Method for Aircraft Blankets.

How To Obtain Copies

A copy of the proposed TSO-C152 may be obtained via the Internet, <http://www.faa.gov/avr/air/100home.htm>, or on request from the office listed under "For Further Information Contact." Copies of Advisory Circular (AC) 20-115, Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics, Inc., Document RTCA/DO-178, AC 25-17, Transportation Airplane Cabin Interiors Crashworthiness Handbook, and DOT/FAA/CT-89/15, "Aircraft Materials Fire Test Handbook," may be obtained from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Subsequent Distribution Office, SVC-121.23, 3341 Q 75th Avenue, Landover, MD 20785. Department of Transportation (DOT) Specifications may be purchased from the U.S. Department of Transportation Records Center, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20590.