

above-captioned docket, proposing to amend its regulations to remedy undue discrimination through open access transmission service and standard electricity market design, (67 FR 55452, August 29, 2002). The Commission is extending the time for parties to file comments on the proposed rule, providing parties an opportunity to file reply comments and convening a series of technical conferences to address several specific issues identified in the NOPR.

**DATES:** Comments should be filed on or before November 15, 2002.

Reply comments should be filed on or before December 20, 2002.

A series of conferences will be convened on: October 2, 2002, October 3, 2002 and December 11, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Withnell (Legal Information), Office of General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8287.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Notice Revising Public Comment Schedule and Announcing Technical Conferences**

In the six weeks since the Commission issued its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) in the above-captioned docket, Commission members and staff have participated in numerous meetings and conferences throughout the country to discuss the proposed rule. These meetings have been a valuable source of information about the response of the general public, and specifically the electric utility industry, to the proposed Standard Market Design rule and the issues that the Commission must address going forward.

1. Various entities have asserted that the 75-day comment period provided in the NOPR does not allow enough time for the public to review the NOPR and provide the detailed comments that the Commission requested therein. Several parties also have expressed their wish to provide reply comments in order to develop an on-the-record dialogue about the NOPR's proposals.

2. We will grant an extension of time to permit all interested parties to file comments on the NOPR by November 15, 2002. In addition, we will allow all interested parties to file reply comments on or before December 20, 2002. All comments should include an executive

summary that should not exceed ten pages.

3. In addition, Commission staff will convene a series of technical conferences this fall to address several specific issues identified in the NOPR. The Commission also will reserve a week in January 2003 for any further technical conferences necessary to explore remaining areas of concern identified during our continued outreach and through the comment process.

4. The fall conference schedule will be as follows:

- *October 2, 2002:* Essential elements of a standard market monitoring plan. Please refer to the Notice issued in this docket on August 28, 2002 for further details.

- *October 3, 2002:* Standard software to support electric grid and market operations under Standard Market Design. Please refer to the Notice issued in this docket on August 22, 2002 for further details.

- *December 11, 2002:* This conference will address liability and indemnification provisions in the Standard Market Design Tariff, as specified in paragraph 389 of the NOPR.

5. Each conference will be held from approximately 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC. The conferences are open to the public, and registration is not required. Members of the Commission may attend and participate in the discussions. Further details about each conference will be provided in supplemental notices.

2. Transcripts of the conference will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646), for a fee. They will be available for the public on the Commission's FERRIS system two weeks after the conference. Additionally, Capitol Connection offers the opportunity for remote listening and viewing of the conference. It is available for a fee, live over the Internet, via C-Band Satellite. Persons interested in receiving the broadcast, or who need information on making arrangements should contact David Reininger or Julia Morelli at the Capitol Connection (703-993-3100) as soon as possible or visit the Capitol Connection website at <http://www.capitolconnection.gmu.edu> and click on "FERC."

By direction of the Commission.

**Magalie R. Saler,**  
Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Coast Guard**

#### **33 CFR Part 2**

[USCG 2001-9044]

RIN 2115-AG13

#### **Territorial Seas, Navigable Waters, and Jurisdiction**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking; correction.

**SUMMARY:** On August 14, 2002, we published a notice of proposed rulemaking to conform the Coast Guard's definitions of jurisdictional terms to existing law. In our proposed revision of 33 CFR part 2, we inadvertently omitted the contents of footnote 2. This document corrects that omission.

**DATES:** Comments and related materials on our corrected proposed rule must reach the Docket Management Facility on or before November 12, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** To make sure that your comments and related materials are not entered more than once in the docket, please submit them by only one of the following means:

(1) By mail to the Docket Management Facility (USCG-2001-9044), U.S. Department of Transportation, room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(2) By hand delivery to room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329.

(3) By fax to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.

(4) By electronic means through the Web Site for the Docket Management System at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

The Docket Management Facility maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments and materials received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also find this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this proposed rule, call Alex Weller, Office of

Maritime and International Law, U.S. Coast Guard, telephone 202-267-0097. If you have questions on viewing or submitting materials to the docket, call Dorothy Beard, Chief, Dockets, Department of Transportation, telephone 202-366-5149.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Need for Correction**

On August 14, 2002, we published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to conform the Coast Guard's definitions of jurisdictional terms to existing law (67 FR 52906). Because we did not intend to omit the contents of a footnote in our proposed revision of 33 CFR part 2, we are publishing this correction to our proposed rule.

##### **Discussion of Correction of Proposed Rule**

In 33 CFR, current §§ 2.05-25 (Navigable waters of the United States; Navigable Waters; Territorial Waters) and 2.05-30 (Waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States; waters over which the United States has

jurisdiction) both reference a footnote 2. That footnote informs the reader that the use of the terms "State" and "United States" in these two sections should be considered supplementary to, and not as interpretive of, the statutory definitions of these terms. We mistakenly omitted the contents of footnote 2 from our proposed rule.

Rather than inserting the same footnote in our proposed §§ 2.36 and 2.38 that correspond to §§ 2.05-25 and 2.05-30, we instead are including this information in our note to proposed § 2.5 (Specific definitions control). The current note to § 2.5 provides examples of how a specific statutory and regulatory definition would supersede definitions in 33 CFR part 2. We propose to add the following two sentences to this note: "Also, in various laws administered and enforced by the Coast Guard, the terms "State" and "United States" are defined to include some or all of the territories and possessions of the United States. The definitions in §§ 2.36 and 2.38 should be considered as supplementary to these

statutory definitions and not as interpretive of them."

##### **Correction**

In proposed rule FR Doc. 02-20481, beginning on page 52906 in the issue of August 14, 2002, make the following correction:

##### **§ 2.5 [Corrected]**

On page 52911, in the first column, starting on line 14, at the end of Note to § 2.5, add the following sentences: "Also, in various laws administered and enforced by the Coast Guard, the terms "State" and "United States" are defined to include some or all of the territories and possessions of the United States. The definitions in §§ 2.36 and 2.38 should be considered as supplementary to these statutory definitions and not as interpretive of them."

Dated: September 13, 2002.

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