

and threatened species (50 CFR 222–226).

The permit authorizes researchers to capture, hold, transport, measure, weigh, flipper and passive integrated transponder tag, satellite tag, collect tissue biopsy, photograph, salvage and necropsy up to 50 loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) and 50 Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempi*) sea turtles annually through October 31, 2011. Researchers are authorized up to one accidental mortality of each species annually. Research will take place in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of the eastern United States. The main purpose of the research is to use satellite-linked tags to obtain high-resolution information on the depth, temperature, and movement of these sea turtle species in areas coincident with Northeast fisheries.

Issuance of this modification, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered or threatened species, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: May 14, 2008.

**P. Michael Payne,**

*Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

#### AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 6, 2008.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sauntia S. Warfield, 202–418–5084.

**David A. Stawick,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

#### AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 13, 2008.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sauntia S. Warfield, 202–418–5084.

**David A. Stawick,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

#### AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, June 20, 2008.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sauntia S. Warfield, 202–418–5084.

**David A. Stawick,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

#### AGENCY:

Department of Education. **SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 21, 2008.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires

that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: May 16, 2008.

**Angela C. Arrington,**

*IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

## Institute of Education Sciences

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Evaluation of Mathematics Curricula.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or household.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 615.

*Burden Hours:* 295.

*Abstract:* The Evaluation of Math Curricula will assess the effectiveness of up to four early elementary math curricula. This submission is for the third phase of the study which will expand the study to the third grade. This submission includes the

justification and plan for the data collection of information and statistical methods for the evaluation. Data collection forms will be used in the study in this submission. These forms are unchanged from previous OMB submissions. The recruitment and first two years of data collection were cleared in previous OMB submissions.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3690. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** United States Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Meeting and Hearing.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, May 22, 2008, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

**PLACE:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave., NW., Suite 150, Washington, DC 20005 (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

**AGENDA:** The Commissioners will consider the following items:

Commissioners will consider whether to update the Michigan state instructions and the Louisiana state instructions on the national voter registration form. Commissioners will consider and vote on whether to adopt the Voter Hotline Study Report. Commissioners will consider and vote on whether to adopt the First Time Voter Study Report. Commissioners will consider and vote on whether to modify Advisory Opinion 07-003-A regarding Maintenance of Effort (MOE) funding,

pursuant to HAVA Section 254(a)(7). Comments will be taken from members of the public who have registered to speak regarding whether to modify Advisory Opinion 07-003-A. Members of the public who wish to speak must contact and register with EAC by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21, 2008. Speakers may contact EAC via e-mail at [testimony@eac.gov](mailto:testimony@eac.gov), or via mail addressed to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave., NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, or by fax at 202/566-3127. Comments will be strictly limited to 5 minutes per person to ensure the fullest participation possible. Commissioners will receive a briefing on an Interim Report on the Statewide Voter Registration Database Study. The Commission will consider other administrative matters.

This meeting will be open to the public.

*Person to Contact for Information:* Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

**Rosemary E. Rodriguez,**

*Chair, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** United States Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Meeting for EAC Board of Advisors.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, June 17, 2008, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Wednesday, June 18, 2008, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**PLACE:** Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001, Phone number (202) 737-1234 (Metro Stop: Union Station).

**PURPOSE:** The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Board of Advisors, as required by the Help America Vote Act of 2002, will meet to receive updates on EAC program activities. The Board will receive presentations on the proposed next iteration of the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines (VMSG), as were submitted to EAC from the commission's Technical Guidelines Development Committee (TGDC). The Board will receive presentations on the Vote Count and Vote Recount Study and will formulate recommendations to EAC regarding research and studies. The Board will consider redrafted bylaws and other administrative matters.

This meeting will be open to the public.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

**Gracia M. Hillman,**

*Commissioner, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12615-001]

#### Alaska Power & Telephone Company; Notice of Scoping Meeting and Soliciting Scoping Comments for an Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment Using the Alternative Licensing Procedures

May 15, 2008.

a. *Type of Application:* Alternative Licensing Procedures.

b. *Project No.:* 12615-001.

c. *Applicant:* Alaska Power & Telephone Company.

d. *Name of Project:* Soule River Hydroelectric Project.

e. *Location:* On the Soule River, tributary to Portland Canal, approximately 9 miles south of the community of Hyder, Alaska. The project would occupy approximately 1,112 acres of federal lands within the Tongass National Forest, administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

g. *Applicant Contact:* Glen Martin, Project Manager, Alaska Power & Telephone Company, 193 Otto Street, P.O. Box 3222, Port Townsend, Washington 98368, (360) 385-1733 X 122, [glen.m@aptalaska.com](mailto:glen.m@aptalaska.com).

h. *FERC Contact:* Matt Cutlip, phone at (503) 552-2762; e-mail at [matt.cutlip@ferc.gov](mailto:matt.cutlip@ferc.gov).

i. *Deadline for filing scoping comments:* July 21, 2008.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.