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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM12-4-000]

#### Revision to Transmission Vegetation Management Reliability Standard; Notice Inviting Comments on Report

The Commission is posting and inviting comment upon a report prepared by the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) on "Applicability of the 'Gallet Equation' to the Vegetation Clearances of NERC Reliability Standard FAC-003-2" (PNNL Report).

The Report was commissioned by the Commission's Office of Electric Reliability, for the purpose of obtaining an independent analysis of certain technical questions raised by the Minimum Vegetation Clearance Distances as proposed in the North American Electric Reliability Corporation's Reliability Standard FAC-003-2 (Transmission Vegetation Management). Specifically, PNNL was commissioned to prepare a report addressing the following:

The overall scope of this project shall include analysis of the mathematics and documentation of the technical justification behind the application of the Gallet equation and the assumptions used in the technical reference paper [Exh. A of NERC's filing]. To put the analysis into perspective, are the assumptions made in the development of the Gallet Equation and their application in NERC-approved Reliability Standard FAC-003-2 reasonable to address the minimum distance requirements needed to avoid sustained vegetation-related outages? What variations in Gallet distance may occur when

comparing the original testing (use of switching impulses and corona free electrodes) against the variety of impulses a line may be subject to and the concentrations of coronal effects when using vegetation instead of corona-free electrodes? Do the equations adequately address the limiting conditions (i.e., the expected extremes in prevailing ambient conditions including temperatures, humidity, conductor position, amplification of any coronal effects and wind speed) that are important to the insulation performance of a line to prevent flashover to nearby vegetation during real-time operating conditions? The limiting conditions will be identified, outlined, and applied in the analysis.

This analysis shall also include a discussion of the appropriateness of using one clearance for all lines with the same operating voltage as opposed to linking the clearance to "as built" and design conditions. Finally, the analysis shall identify if the proposed clearance will provide the minimum clearance needed to avoid a flashover with regard to vegetation. (Footnotes omitted.)

The PNNL Report will be posted on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>.

Comments on the PNNL Report should be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the issuance of this Notice. The Commission encourages electronic submission of comments in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the comment to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R10-OAR-2010-1914; FRL-9664-7]

### Adequacy Status of the Eagle River, Alaska Particulate Matter Limited Maintenance Plan for Transportation Conformity Purposes

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of adequacy determination.

**SUMMARY:** In this action, EPA is notifying the public of its finding that the Eagle River, Alaska, Particulate Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>) Limited Maintenance Plan, submitted by the State of Alaska on September 20, 2011, is adequate for conformity purposes. EPA made this finding pursuant to the adequacy process established at 40 CFR 93.118(f)(1). As a result of our adequacy finding, conformity requirements will be reduced.

**DATES:** This finding is effective May 14, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The finding will be available at EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/transconf/adequacy.htm>. You may also contact Wayne Elson, U.S. EPA, Region 10 (OAWT-107), 1200 Sixth Ave, Suite 900, Seattle WA 98101; (206) 553-1463 or [elson.wayne@epa.gov](mailto:elson.wayne@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This action provides notice of EPA's adequacy finding regarding the PM<sub>10</sub> Limited Maintenance Plan for Eagle River, Alaska. EPA's finding was made pursuant to the adequacy review process for implementation plan submissions delineated at 40 CFR 93.118(f)(1) under which EPA reviews the adequacy of an state implementation plan (SIP) submission prior to EPA's final action on the implementation plan.

On September 20, 2011, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation submitted a PM<sub>10</sub> maintenance plan revision to EPA. Pursuant to 40 CFR 93.118 (f)(1), EPA notified the public of its receipt of this plan that would be reviewed for an adequacy determination on EPA's Web site and requested public comment by no later than February 27, 2012. EPA received no comments on the plan during that comment period. As part of our review, we also reviewed comments submitted to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation on the Limited Maintenance Plan during the public hearing process. There were no adverse comments submitted during the State hearing process regarding the new

Plan. EPA Region 10 sent a letter to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation on April 2, 2012, subsequent to the close of the comment period stating EPA found the Eagle River PM<sub>10</sub> Limited Maintenance Plan to be adequate for use in transportation conformity.

Because limited maintenance plans do not contain budgets, as provided in 40 CFR 93.109(l), the adequacy review period for these maintenance plans serves to allow the public to comment on whether limited maintenance is appropriate for these areas. As a result of this adequacy finding, the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities, and the U.S. Department of Transportation are no longer required to conduct a regional emissions analysis for conformity. However, other conformity requirements still remain such as consultation (40 CFR 93.112), transportation control measures (40 CFR 93.113), and project level analysis (40 CFR 93.116).

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. EPA's conformity rule requires transportation plans, programs, and projects to conform to SIPs and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The minimum criteria by which we determine whether a SIP is adequate for conformity purposes are specified at 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). EPA's analysis of how the state's submission satisfies these criteria is found in the Technical Support Document. EPA's adequacy review is separate from EPA's SIP completeness review and it also should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate approval of the SIP. Even if we find the SIP adequate for conformity purposes, the SIP could later be disapproved.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q.

Dated: April 16, 2012.

**Dennis J. McLerran,**

*Regional Administrator, Region 10.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER–FRL–9002–7]

### Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564–7146 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements filed 04/16/2012 through 04/20/2012 pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

*Notice:* Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act requires that EPA make public its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies. EPA's comment letters on EISs are available at: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA is seeking agencies to participate in its e-NEPA electronic EIS submission pilot. Participating agencies can fulfill all requirements for EIS filing, eliminating the need to submit paper copies to EPA headquarters, by filing documents online and providing feedback on the process. To participate in the pilot, register at: <https://cdx.epa.gov>.

*EIS No. 20120113, Final EIS, BPA, OR,* Albany-Eugene 115 kilovolt No. 1 Transmission Line Rebuild Project, Extending from Albany Substation to the Alderwood Tap, Linn and Lane Counties OR, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Douglas F. Corkran, 503–230–7646.

*EIS No. 20120114, Final Supplement, USN, CA,* Hunters Point (Former) Naval Shipyard Disposal and Reuse, Supplement Information on the 2000 FEIS, Implementation, City of San Francisco, San Francisco County, CA, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Ronald Bochenek, 619–532–0906.

*EIS No. 20120115, Final EIS, USFS, AK,* Tonka Timber Sale Project, Proposed Timber Harvesting, Petersburg Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, Petersburg, AK, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Jason Anderson, 907–772–3871.

*EIS No. 20120116, Final EIS, USFS, SD,* Vestal Project, Commercial and Non-commercial Vegetation Treatments and Prescribed Burning to Reduce Mountain Pine Beetle Risk and Fire Hazard, Hell Canyon Ranger District, Black Hills National Forest, Custer County, SD, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Lynn Kolund, 605–673–4853.

*EIS No. 20120117, Draft EIS, BLM, WY,* Lost Creek In Situ Recovery Project,

To Analyze the Site-Specific Impacts Associated with the Plan of Operations, Sweetwater County, WY, *Comment Period Ends:* 06/11/2012, *Contact:* John Russell, 307–328–4252. *EIS No. 20120118, Final EIS, FTA, CA,* California High-Speed Train (HST): Merced to Fresno Section High-Speed Train, Propose to Construct, Operate, and Maintain an Electric-Powered High-Speed Train (HST), Merced, Madera, and Fresno Counties, CA, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* David Valenstein, 202–493–6381.

*EIS No. 20120119, Final EIS, NPS, IN,* Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, White-Tailed Deer Management Plan, Implementation, Lake, Porter, LaPorte Counties, IN, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Randy Knutson, 219–395–1550.

*EIS No. 20120120, Draft EIS, BLM, CO,* Mohave County Wind Farm Project, Application for a Right-of-Way Grant to Construct, Operate, Maintain and Decommission a Wind Powered Electrical Generation Facility, White Hills, Mohave County, CO, *Comment Period Ends:* 06/11/2012, *Contact:* Jerry Crockford, 505–360–0473.

*EIS No. 20120121, Final EIS, FHWA, OR,* Newberg Dundee Bypass Project, Proposal to Build a Four Lane Expressway and Reduce Congestion on OR 99W, from OR 99W/OR/8 to the top of Rex Hill, USACE 404/ Removal Fill Permits, Funding, Yamhill and Washington Counties, OR, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Michelle Eraut, 503–316–2559.

*EIS No. 20120122, Draft Supplement, USACE, NM,* Rio Grande Floodway Flood Protection Plan, San Acacia to Bosque Del Apache Unit, To Provide Higher Levels of Flood Risk Management to Floodplain Communities from San Acacia Diversion Dam Downstream to Elephant Butte Lake, Socorro County, NM, *Comment Period Ends:* 06/11/2012, *Contact:* Julie A. Alcon, 505–342–3281.

*EIS No. 20120123, Final EIS, BLM, NV,* Phoenix Copper Leach Project, Construction and Operation of a New Copper Beneficiation Facility, Lander County, NV, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Dave Davis, 775–635–4000.

*EIS No. 20120124, Final EIS, NPS, SD,* South Unit—Badlands National Park, General Management Plan, Implementation, SD, *Review Period Ends:* 05/29/2012, *Contact:* Eric J. Brunnemann, 605–433–5361.

*EIS No. 20120125, Final EIS, FTA, CA,* Hercules Intermodal Transit Center,