

12. What metrics should be computed for physical, informational, or other responses?

13. Are there other aspects of the characterization execution that should be considered for connected equipment?

14. Which of the two options for establishing the characterization protocols best addresses industry needs and minimizes industry burdens?

15. Are there other options that DOE might pursue for establishing characterization protocols?

16. Would it be useful to have illustrative examples like this in the framework document?

17. After seeing this illustrative example, does the framework need additional steps or further revision?

DOE will accept written comments, data, and information regarding the Framework Document no later than September 29, 2014.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 6, 2014.

**Kathleen B. Hogan,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

#### Wind and Water Power Technologies Office; Request for Information

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on its Request for Information (RFI) to help inform DOE's research and development activities related to Distributed Generation from Wind Energy Systems.

**DATES:** Comments regarding the RFI must be received on or before September 21, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** The complete RFI document is located at <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Responses to the RFI should be sent via email to [DistributedGeneration@ee.doe.gov](mailto:DistributedGeneration@ee.doe.gov). Further instruction can be found in the RFI document posted on EERE Exchange.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Wind and Water Power Technologies Office is within the Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and

Renewable Energy (DOE-EERE). WWPTO program activities lead the nation's efforts to accelerate the deployment of wind power technologies through improved performance, lower costs, and reduced market barriers. The Wind Program works with national laboratories, industry, universities, and other federal agencies to conduct research and development activities through competitively selected, directly funded, and cost-shared projects. WWPTO efforts target offshore wind, land based utility-scale and distributed applications of wind power technology. To find more information about the Wind Program, please visit: <http://energy.gov/eere/wind/wind-program>.

The focus of this RFI will be on the Wind Program's distributed wind portfolio. Distributed wind energy systems are commonly installed on residential, agricultural, commercial, institutional, and industrial sites connected either physically or virtually on the customer side of the meter (to serve on-site load) or directly to the local distribution or micro grid (to support local grid operations or offset nearby loads). Because the definition is based on a wind project's location relative to end-use and power-distribution infrastructure, rather than on technology size or project size, the distributed wind market includes wind turbines and projects of many sizes. For example, distributed wind systems can range in size from a 1-kW or smaller off-grid turbine at a remote cabin to a 10-kW turbine at a home to one or several multi-megawatt turbines at a university campus, manufacturing facility, or other large facility. To find more information on the Wind Program's distributed wind portfolio, please visit: <http://energy.gov/eere/wind/distributed-wind>.

DOE's Wind Program is planning a research and development program which will seek to ensure system performance meets consumer expectations; develop reliable, low-cost technology optimized for distributed applications; increase utility confidence in integration of distributed wind systems; and streamline the project development and installation process. The activities under this program would encompass the following focus areas:

#### 1. Wind Resource Characterization & Assessment

- Better understanding of resource creates reliable turbine designs, properly sited distributed wind systems, and mitigates financial risk with regard to payback

#### 2. Turbine Technology

- Technology transfer and innovation to expand rotors and increase hub heights for small and midsize turbines for increased performance, and advanced manufacturing for lower cost systems

#### 3. Distributed Grid Integration

- Accurate generator modeling and clear understanding of operating impacts to mitigate interconnection/integration effects

#### 4. Soft Cost Reduction

- Reduced red tape from permitting requirements and interconnection procedures will lower costs, accelerate adoption and integration

The purpose of this RFI is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research laboratories, government agencies, and other stakeholders on DOE's new perspective on distributed wind and R&D focus areas in order to inform future activities and priorities. EERE is specifically interested in information on each of the focus areas listed above. This is solely a request for information and not a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). EERE is not accepting applications through this RFI. DOE will not respond to questions regarding this RFI.

In its RFI, DOE requests comments, information, and recommendations on four main activities related to Distributed Wind Energy Systems. The RFI is available at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 11, 2014.

**Jose Zayas,**

*Director, Wind and Water Power Technologies Office, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-1210-001.  
*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.  
*Description:* 2014-08-06\_SA 6502  
Illinois Power-Edwards SSR

Compliance Filing to be effective 1/1/2013.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.  
*Accession Number:* 20140806-5111.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-1225-002.  
*Applicants:* Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description:* Lea County Stated Rate Compliance Filing to be effective 4/1/2014.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140806-5122.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-2602-000.

*Applicants:* PacifiCorp.

*Description:* BPA AC Intertie Agreement 12th Revised to be effective 10/1/2014.

*Filed Date:* 8/5/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140805-5164.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/26/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-2603-000.

*Applicants:* ISO New England Inc., New England Independent Transmission Company, LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Termination of the NEITC Operating Agreement of New England Independent Transmission Company, LLC, et. al.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140806-5069.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-2604-000.

*Applicants:* Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operative, Inc.

*Description:* OATT Order No. 792 Compliance Filing to be effective 8/3/2014.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140806-5100.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-2605-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* 2014-08-06\_Ameren Edwards Part 1 Compliance Filing to be effective 7/22/2014.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140806-5108.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-2606-000.

*Applicants:* Macho Springs Power I, LLC.

*Description:* Order No. 784 Compliance Filing and Revisions to Market-Based Rate Tariff to be effective 8/7/2014.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140806-5112.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-2607-000.

*Applicants:* California Independent System Operator Corporation.

*Description:* 2014-08-06\_EIM EntityAgreement\_PacifiCorp to be effective 9/30/2014.

*Filed Date:* 8/6/14.

*Accession Number:* 20140806-5125.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/27/14.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by

clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: August 6, 2014.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### National Nuclear Security Administration

#### Defense Programs Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, Office of Defense Programs.

**ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a closed meeting of the Defense Programs Advisory Committee (DPAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) (the Act) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**. Due to national security considerations, under section 10(d) of the Act and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), the meeting will be closed to the public and matters to be discussed are exempt from public disclosure under Executive Order 13526 and the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. 2161 and 2162, as amended.

**DATES:** August 26, 2014, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and August 27, 2014, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Visosky, Office of RDT&E (NA-11), National Nuclear Security Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 287-5270.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* The DPAC will provide advice and recommendations to the Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs on the stewardship and maintenance of the Nation's nuclear deterrent. The activities of the DPAC will include, but are not limited to:

a. Periodic reviews of the diverse, major activities of the Office of Defense Programs including:

b.  
i. Assessment of the U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile;  
ii. The science, technology and engineering infrastructure needed to maintain the U.S. stockpile and the overall U.S. nuclear deterrent; and  
iii. The U.S. nuclear weapons manufacturing and production complex facilities and related technologies.

c. Ongoing analysis of the DP mission and its foundation in national strategic policy (including the Nuclear Posture Review, provisions of the New START Treaty and other relevant treaties).

d. Potential application of DP capabilities to broader national security problems.

e. Analysis of DP management issues including facility operations and fiscal matters.

f. Where appropriate, analysis of issues of broader concern to NNSA.

*Purpose of the Meeting:* The purpose of this meeting of the Defense Programs Advisory Committee is to discuss topics and provide advice and guidance with respect to the National Nuclear Security Administration stockpile stewardship and stockpile maintenance programs.

*Type of Meeting:* In the interest of national security, the meeting will be closed to the public. The Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 section 10(d), and the Federal Advisory Committee Management Regulation, 41 CFR 102-3.155, incorporate by reference the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b, which, at 552b(c)(1) and (c)(3) permits closure of meetings where restricted data or other classified matters will be discussed. Such data and matters will be discussed in each session.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting date due to programmatic issues and scheduling conflicts.

*Tentative Agenda: Day 1*—Swearing-in of Committee Members, Annual Ethics Briefing, Welcome, Topic 1, Topic 2. *Day 2*—Topic 2 continued, Topic 3.

*Public Participation:* There will be no public participation in this closed meeting. Those wishing to provide written comments or statements to the