

of the protest period. Under these conditions, BLM will consider the e-mail or faxed protest as an advance copy and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide BLM with such advance notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of the BLM protest coordinator at 202-452-5112, and e-mails to Brenda_Hudgens-Williams@blm.gov. If sent by regular mail, send to: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, P.O. Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035. For overnight (*i.e.*, Federal Express) mailing, send protests to: Director (210) Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 1075, Washington, DC 20036. In order to be considered complete, your protest must contain at a minimum, the following information:

1. The name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.
2. A statement of the issue or issues being protested.
3. A statement of the part or parts of the PRMP Amendment/FEIS being protested. To the extent possible, this should be done by reference to specific pages, paragraphs, sections, tables, maps, etc. included in the document.
4. A copy of all documents addressing the issue or issues that you submitted during the planning process, or a reference to the date and issue or issues that were discussed by you for the record.
5. A concise statement explaining why the Colorado BLM State Director's proposed decision is believed to be incorrect. This is the critical part of your protest. Take care to document relevant facts.

As much as possible, reference or cite the planning documents, environmental analysis documents, or available planning records (*i.e.*, meeting minutes or summaries, correspondence, etc.). A protest that merely expresses disagreement with the Colorado BLM State Director's proposed decision, without any data, will not provide us with the benefit of your information and insight. In this case, the Director's review will be based on the existing analysis and supporting data. At the end of the 30-day protest period and after the Governor's consistency review, the PRMP Amendment/FEIS, excluding any portions under protest, will become final. Approval will be withheld on any portion of the PRMP Amendment/FEIS under protest until final action has been completed on such protest.

Freedom of Information Act Considerations/Confidentiality: Public comments submitted for this planning review, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be

available for public review at the Columbine Field Office, in Durango, Colorado, during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays. Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be retained on file in the same office as part of the public record for this planning effort. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public inspection or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. BLM will not accept anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: March 9, 2004.

Mark W. Stiles,

Center Manager, San Juan Public Lands Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-040-04-5101-ER-F344; N-78091]

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Proposed White Pine Energy Station, a Coal-Fired, Water-Cooled, Electric Power Plant, and Associated Ancillary Facilities in White Pine County, Nevada and a Notice of Public Meetings

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Ely Field Office, will be directing the preparation of an EIS and conducting public scoping meetings for the proposed White Pine Energy Station, a coal-fired, water-cooled, electric power plant and associated ancillary facilities. The EIS will assess the potential impacts of rights-of-way (ROW), a conveyance, or a commercial lease for a proposed power-generating facility and ROW for the proposed

associated ancillary facilities in White Pine County, Nevada.

The proposed White Pine Energy Station includes up to two 500 to 800 megawatt coal-fired generating units and other related facilities, including but not limited to, a rail loop, coal unloading, handling and storage facilities, solid waste disposal facility, water storage and treatment facilities, evaporation pond, cooling towers, electric switchyard and support buildings. Ancillary facilities would include wells, water pipeline and related facilities, rail spur, access roads and electric transmission facilities, which include electric transmission lines and two electric substations.

DATES: The publication of this notice initiates the public scoping process and comment period. Comments on the scope of the EIS, including concerns, issues, or proposed alternatives that should be considered in the EIS should be submitted in writing to the address below. Comments will be accepted until September 7, 2004. This scoping notice will be distributed by mail on or about the date of this notice. All comments received at the public scoping meetings or through submitted written comments will aid the BLM in identifying alternatives and mitigating measures to assure all issues are analyzed in the EIS. The scoping meetings are scheduled as follows: Tuesday, August 24, 2004, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Bristlecone Convention Center, 150 6th St., Ely, Nevada. Wednesday, August 25, 2004, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Airport Plaza, 1981 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada.

ADDRESSES: Information and a copy of this notice of intent for the White Pine Energy Station can be obtained by writing to the Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, HC 33 Box 33500, Ely, Nevada 89301, or visiting the Ely Field Office at 702 North Industrial Way, Ely, NV 89301.

Written comments on the proposed EIS should be mailed to Doris Metcalf or Susan Baughman, Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, HC 33 Box 33500, Ely, Nevada 89301.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Metcalf at (775) 289-1852, e-mail Doris_Metcalf@nv.blm.gov, or Susan Baughman at (775) 289-1827, e-mail Susan_Baughman@nv.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed White Pine Energy Station would be located in the eastern part of Nevada in White Pine County. The proposed power plant site would be accessible via an access road from Highway 93. The water wells, the water pipeline and related facilities, rail spur and one electric substation would be

located in mostly flat terrain along the Steptoe Valley floor. The electric transmission line ROW would begin at a proposed new electric substation adjacent to the power plant site and would mostly follow a previously permitted utility corridor through Steptoe Valley, across the Egan Range, through Butte Valley and terminate near Robinson Summit at the second proposed electric substation. The proposed second electric substation would be accessible via an access road from Highway 50. An additional electric transmission line ROW would be needed to loop an existing electric transmission line located about ½ mile south of the proposed second electric substation into the proposed second electric substation.

The proposed power plant development area and ancillary facilities would encompass approximately 2,800 acres: approximately 1,300 acres would be required for the power plant site and access, approximately 1,250 acres would be used for ancillary facilities, and approximately 250 acres would be used for temporary construction laydown for the ancillary facilities. The facilities would be generally located within and/or across the following sections of public land:

Mount Diablo Meridian, White Pine County, Nevada

Power Plant Site & Access Road

T. 21 N., R. 64 E., Sections 4, 5, 6,
T. 22 N., R. 64 E., Sections 29, 30, 31 & 32.

Rail Spur

T. 22 N., R. 64 E., Section 31
T. 22 N., R. 63 E., Section 36.

Transmission Line

T. 18 N., R. 60 E., Sections 6, 7, 18, 19,
T. 19 N., R. 61 E., Sections 1, 10, 11, 12, 14,
15, 16, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30, 31
T. 19 N., R. 62 E., Section 6,
T. 20 N., R. 62 E., Sections 13, 14, 15, 21,
22, 23, 28, 29, 31, 32,
T. 20 N., R. 63 E., Sections 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10,
11, 17, 18,
T. 21 N., R. 63 E., Sections 1, 2, 11, 14, 23,
26, 34, 35,
T. 21 N., R. 64 E., Section 5 & 6.

Electric Substations & Access Roads

T. 21 N., R. 64 E., Section 4, 5,
T. 18 N., R. 61 E., Sections 18 & 19.

Water Facilities

T. 19 N., R. 63 E., Sections 24 & 25
T. 19 N., R. 64 E., Sections 6, 7, 18, 19, 30,
T. 20 N., R. 64 E., Sections 4, 8, 9, 17, 19,
20, 30, 31,
T. 21 N., R. 64 E., Sections 5, 6, 8, 17, 20,
29, 31, 32,
T. 22 N., R. 64 E., Sections 5, 6, 7, 18, 19,
20, 29, 30, 32,
T. 23 N., R. 63 E., Sections 13, 14, 15, 16,

T. 23 N., R. 64 E., Sections 4, 9, 16, 17, 18,
20, 29, 31, 32,
T. 24 N., R. 64 E., Sections 2, 10, 11, 15, 22,
27, 28, 33,
T. 25 N., R. 64 E., Sections 13, 24, 25, 26,
35,
T. 25 N., R. 65 E., Sections 4, 5, 7, 8, 18,
T. 26 N., R. 65 E., Sections 23, 26, 27, 33,
34.

A map of the proposed project is available for viewing at the Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, 702 North Industrial Way, Ely, NV 89301.

Public Scoping Meetings: Two public scoping meetings are planned. The meetings will provide the public an opportunity to present comments concerning the Proposed Action that will be addressed in the EIS. The meetings will be held in an "open house format" beginning at 5 p.m. and ending at 8 p.m. Meetings have been scheduled for the following locations:

- Tuesday, August 24, 2004, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Bristlecone Convention Center, 150 6th St., Ely, Nevada.
- Wednesday, August 25, 2004, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Airport Plaza, 1981 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada.

Dated: July 12, 2004.

Jeffrey A. Weeks,

Acting Field Manager.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 337-TA-518]

Notice of Investigation; Certain Ear Protection Devices

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on July 2, 2004, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, on behalf of 180s, Inc. and 180s, LLC of Baltimore, Maryland. An amended complaint was filed on July 23, 2004. The amended complaint alleges violations of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain ear protection devices by reason of infringement of claims 1, 3, 13, 17-19, and 21-22 of U.S. Patent No. 5,835,609. The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337.

The complainants request that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a permanent general exclusion order and permanent cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint and the amended complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, are available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Room 112, Washington, DC 20436, telephone 202-205-2000. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Benjamin D. M. Wood, Esq., Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202-205-2582.

Authority: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and in section 210.10 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10 (2003).

Scope of Investigation: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on August 2, 2004, *Ordered That*—

(1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation will be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain ear protection devices by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1, 3, 13, 17-19, and 21-22 of U.S. Patent No. 5,835,609, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337.

(2) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:

(a) The complainants are—180s, Inc., 701 E. Pratt Street, Suite 180, Baltimore, Maryland 21202-3101. 180s, LLC, 701