(without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P–13315) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: June 13, 2012.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP12-470-000]

#### Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on June 1, 2012, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia), 5151 San Felipe, Suite 2500, Houston, Texas 77056, pursuant to its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–76–000, filed an application in accordance to sections 157.205 and 157.216(b) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) as amended, (1) to relocate a consumer tap and (2) to abandon in

place Well No. 2519 and approximately 0.12 miles of Line 29079 and related appurtenances located in Marshall County, West Virginia, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Fredric J. George, Senior Counsel Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, P.O. Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 25325–1273, phone (304) 357–2359, or fax (304) 357–3206 or email at fgeorge@nisource.com.

This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http:// www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERC OnlineSupport@ferc. gov or call toll-free at (866) 206–3676, or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

Dated: June 13, 2012.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### **Notice of Commission Staff Attendance**

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of the Commission's staff may attend the following meetings related to the transmission planning activities of the New York Independent System Operator, Inc. (NYISO):

#### Joint Inter-Regional Planning Task Force/Electric System Planning Working Group

June 18, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m., Local Time (teleconference only) June 26, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Local Time

July 10, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Local Time

July 24, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Local Time

August 6, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Local Time

August 28, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Local Time

September 24, 2012, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Local Time

The above-referenced meetings will be held at: NYISO's offices, Rensselaer, NY

The above-referenced meetings are open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at www.nyiso.com.

The discussions at the meetings described above may address matters at issue in the following proceeding: Docket No. ER08–1281, *New York* 

Independent System Operator, Inc.
For more information, contact James

Eason, Office of Energy Market Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (202) 502–8622 or James.Eason@ferc.gov.

Dated: June 13, 2012.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD12–17–000; RM12–10–000; ER12–502–001; ER12–502–002; ER12–1177–001; ER12–1855–000]

Review of Small Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures; Solar Energy Industries Association; California Independent System Operator Corporation; PJM Interconnection, LLC; California Independent System Operator Corporation; Notice of Technical Conference

Take notice that Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff will convene a technical conference in the above-referenced proceedings on Tuesday, July 17, 2012, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (EDT) in the Commission Meeting Room at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Members of the Commission may attend the conference, which will also be open for the public to attend. Advance registration is not required, but is encouraged. We will provide nametags for those who register on or before July 10, 2012. Participants may register at the following Web page: https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/ registration/small-generator-7-17-12form.asp.

The purpose of this conference is to discuss issues related to a petition for rulemaking recently submitted by the Solar Energy Industries Association (Docket No. RM12–10–000).

This conference is not intended to address the substance of any particular case pending before the Commission. However, discussions at the conference may address matters at issue in the following Commission proceedings that are either pending or within their rehearing period: California Independent System Operator Corporation, Docket No. ER12–502–001 and Docket No. ER12–502–002; PJM Interconnection, LLC, Docket No. ER12–1177–001; California Independent System Operator Corporation, Docket No. ER12–1855–000.

Those interested in speaking at the conference should notify the Commission by close of business June 22, 2012, by completing an online form identifying the topic(s) that they wish to address: https://www.ferc.gov/whatsnew/registration/small-generator-7-17-12-speaker-form.asp. Due to time constraints, we may not be able to accommodate all those interested in speaking. The Commission will issue a subsequent notice that will provide the detailed agenda for the conference, including panel speakers, and a comment date for filing post-conference comments.

The conference will be transcribed and available by webcast. Transcripts will be available immediately for a fee from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646). A free webcast of the technical conference in this proceeding is also available. Anyone with Internet access interested in viewing this conference can do so by navigating to the FERC Calendar of Events at www.ferc.gov and locating this event in the Calendar. The event will contain a link to its webcast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the webcasts and offers the option of listening to the conferences

via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit www.CapitolConnection.org or call (703) 993–3100.

FERC conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an email to *accessibility@ferc.gov* or call toll free 1–866–208–3372 (voice) or 202–208–8659 (TTY), or send a fax to 202–208–2106 with the required accommodations.

For information related to the agenda, please contact Leslie Kerr at leslie.kerr@ferc.gov or (202) 502–8540. For information related to logistics, please contact Sarah McKinley at sarah.mckinley@ferc.gov or (202) 502–8368.

Dated: June 13, 2012.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-9688-7]

#### Notice of Availability of the Benchmark Dose Technical Guidance

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is announcing the availability of *Benchmark Dose Technical Guidance* (BMD). This document was developed as part of an agency-wide guidance development program by a technical panel of the EPA's Risk Assessment Forum. Drafts were peer reviewed internally by EPA scientists and externally by experts from academia, industry, and other federal and state government agencies. When appropriate, the EPA intends to use the guidance prospectively in conducting risk assessments.

**ADDRESSES:** The BMD document is available electronically through the EPA's Web site at http://www.epa.gov/raf/publications/benchmarkdose.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr.

# Michael W. Broder, Risk Assessment Forum, Office of the Science Advisor (8105R), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460; on telephone number (202) 564–3393; facsimile number (202) 564–2070; or email broder.michael@epa.gov.

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and the environment, the EPA routinely conducts risk assessments on chemical agents that may be toxic to humans. A key component of the risk assessment process involves evaluating the doseresponse relationship between exposure to the agent and the observed effect. The dose-response assessment is a two-step process: (1) Defining a point of departure (POD); and (2) extrapolating from the POD for relevance to environmental exposures. Traditionally, the no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) or lowest observed adverse effect level (LOAEL) methods were used for establishing the POD for noncancer endpoints. The BMD method gained favor within the risk assessment community over time because it incorporates and conveys more information than the NOAEL/LOAEL methods. The EPA conducted workshops and symposia about the application of BMD methodology and the development of relevant guidance.

The BMD document focuses on the use of the BMD methodology for human health risk assessments. The document discusses computation of BMD values and their confidence limits, data requirements, dose-response assessment, and reporting recommendations that are specific to BMD values. Although the EPA has generated its own BMD software (http://www.epa.gov/ncea/BMDS/index.html), this document supports the use of other relevant, well-documented software packages.

Dated: June 6, 2012.

#### Glenn Paulson,

Science Advisor.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R01-OW-2012-0201, FRL-9688-9]

#### Massachusetts Marine Sanitation Device Standard—Notice of Determination

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Determination.

SUMMARY: The Regional Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency—New England Region, has determined that adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels are reasonably available for the waters of Dighton, Berkley, Freetown, Somerset, Swansea, and Fall River collectively termed Mount Hope Bay.