

* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Japan—MK 15 Phalanx Close-in Weapon System (CIWS) Block IB Baseline 2 Conversion Kits

The Government of Japan has requested to buy twenty-four (24) MK 15 Phalanx Close-in Weapon System (CIWS) Block IB Baseline 1 to MK 15 Phalanx Block IB Baseline 2 conversion kits. Also included is support equipment, spare parts, publications, software and associated support, and logistical support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total case value is \$45 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the security of a major ally that has been, and continues to be, a force for political stability and economic progress in the Asia-Pacific region.

The proposed sale will improve Japan's capability in current and future defensive efforts. Japan will use the enhanced capability as a deterrent to regional threats and to strengthen homeland defense.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Raytheon Missile Systems, Tucson, AZ. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the permanent assignment of additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives in Japan.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

Transmittal No. 17–79

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. The CIWS Block IB Baseline 2 represents an increase in threat acquisition and firepower accuracy over previous Block 1 Baseline configurations. The Baseline 2 variant includes a radar improvement upgrade and an electro-optical sensor to improve weapon system performance against low-observable, sea-skimming threats, and provides improved capability to concentrate hard-kill ordnance in a

tighter pattern on the threat. The CIWS mount and spare hardware are UNCLASSIFIED. The radar improvement/upgrade is the most sensitive portion of the Baseline 2 configuration.

2. The CIWS Block 1B Baseline 2 systems and upgrade kits will result in the transfer of a highly accurate close-in engagement technology and ship self-defense capability. The equipment, hardware, and the majority of documentation are UNCLASSIFIED. The embedded software and operational performance are classified CONFIDENTIAL. The seeker/electro-optical control section and the target detector are UNCLASSIFIED, but contain a sensitive state-of-the-art technology. Technical Manuals used to support the operation and provisioning of organizational-level maintenance are CONFIDENTIAL. The technical and operational data identified above is classified to protect vulnerabilities, design and performance parameters, and similar critical information.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of specific hardware, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapons system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Japan can provide substantially the same degree of protection for sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sustainment program is necessary to the furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the policy justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Government of Japan.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards; Expanding Opportunity Through Quality Charter Schools Program (CSP)—Grants to Charter School Developers for the Opening of New Charter Schools and for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools

AGENCY: Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: On March 2, 2018, we published in the **Federal Register** a

notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2018 for CSP—Grants to Charter School Developers for the Opening of New Charter Schools and for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers 84.282B and 84.282E. This correction notice provides a link to the application submission instructions.

DATES: This correction is applicable March 13, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Eddie Moat, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 4W259, Washington, DC 20202–5970. Telephone: (202) 401–2266 or by email: eddie.moat@ed.gov.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or a text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On March 2, 2018, we published in the **Federal Register** a notice inviting applications for new awards for FY 2018 for CSP—Grants to Charter School Developers for the Opening of New Charter Schools and for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools (83 FR 8974). This correction notice provides a direct link to the application submission instructions.

Correction

In FR Doc. 2018–04294, we are revising the paragraph beginning on page 8979 in the second column, at the bottom of the page, under the heading “IV. Application and Submission Information,” to provide the link to the application submission instructions: 1. *Application Submission Instructions:* For information on how to submit an application please refer to our Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the **Federal Register** on February 12, 2018 (83 FR 6003) and available at www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-02-12/pdf/2018-02558.pdf.

Program Authority: Title IV, part C of the ESEA (20 U.S.C. 7221–7221j).

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) on request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations via the Federal Digital System at: www.gpo.gov/fdsys. At this site you can view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Portable Document Format (PDF). To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site.

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Dated: March 8, 2018.

Margo Anderson,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Innovation and Improvement.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Number: PR18-35-000.

Applicants: Enable Oklahoma Intrastate Transmission, LLC.

Description: Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e)+(g): Enable Revised Fuel Percentages April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 to be effective 4/1/2018.

Filed Date: 2/28/18.

Accession Number: 201802285114.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/21/18.

284.123(g) Protests Due: 5 p.m. ET 4/30/18.

Docket Number: PR18-36-000.

Applicants: Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

Description: Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e)/: COH SOC Rate Change Effective 3-1-2018.

Filed Date: 3/5/18.

Accession Number: 201803055010.

Comments/Protests Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/26/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-481-000.

Applicants: Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc., Elkton Acquisition Corp.

Description: Joint Petition for Temporary Waiver of Commission

Capacity Release Regulations and Policies, et al.

Filed Date: 2/27/18.

Accession Number: 20180227-5193.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/12/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-482-000.

Applicants: Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc., ETG Acquisition Corp.

Description: Joint Petition for Temporary Waiver of Commission Capacity Release Regulations and Policies, et al.

Filed Date: 2/27/18.

Accession Number: 20180227-5194.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/12/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-550-000.

Applicants: Noble Energy, Inc., Fieldwood Energy LLC.

Description: Joint Petition for Temporary Waiver of Commission Policies, Capacity Release Regulations and Related Tariff Provisions.

Filed Date: 3/5/18.

Accession Number: 20180305-5380.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/12/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-417-001.

Applicants: Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC.

Description: Compliance filing Compliance Filing to RP18-417-000 to be effective 3/5/2018.

Filed Date: 3/6/18.

Accession Number: 20180306-5150.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/19/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-551-000.

Applicants: Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreement—Tenaska Marketing Ventures to be effective 4/1/2018.

Filed Date: 3/6/18.

Accession Number: 20180306-5046.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/19/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-552-000.

Applicants: Alliance Pipeline L.P.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Contracts April—October 2018 to be effective 4/1/2018.

Filed Date: 3/6/18.

Accession Number: 20180306-5074.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/19/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-553-000.

Applicants: Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: DECP—Liquefaction Project Implementation (RP18-419) Update to be effective 4/1/2018.

Filed Date: 3/6/18.

Accession Number: 20180306-5143.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/19/18.

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 date(s). 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: March 7, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

The following notice of meeting is published pursuant to section 3(a) of the government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. 94-409), 5 U.S.C. 552b:

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

DATE AND TIME: March 15, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Room 2C, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Agenda.

* **Note**—Items listed on the agenda may be deleted without further notice.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Telephone (202) 502-8400.

For a recorded message listing items struck from or added to the meeting, call (202) 502-8627.

This is a list of matters to be considered by the Commission. It does not include a listing of all documents relevant to the items on the agenda. All public documents, however, may be viewed online at the Commission's website at <http://ferc.capitolconnection.org/> using the eLibrary link, or may be examined in the Commission's Public Reference Room.