Subpart B—Commission Operation During Emergency Conditions

§ 376.201 Emergency condition defined.

For purposes of this subpart, emergency conditions:

(a) Shall commence:
   (1) At the time of an armed attack upon the United States, or its territories or possessions;
   (2) At the time the Commission is officially notified of the likelihood or imminence of such an attack; or
   (3) At a time specified by the authority of the President; or
   (4) At such time that the Commission’s Continuity of Operations Plan is activated; and

(b) Shall continue until the Commission is officially notified of the end of such conditions.

§ 376.202 Authority to move Commission offices.

The Commission may provide for removal of its headquarters to any location in the United States for the duration of emergency conditions. Consistent with directives of the Chairman, the Commission officer or employee in charge of a regional office of the Commission may move such office to a new location in the United States for the duration of emergency conditions.

§ 376.203 Mailing address of Commission during emergency conditions.

The Chairman may direct that during the continuance of emergency conditions, communications, filings, reports, or other submittals to the Commission shall be addressed to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Official Mail and Messenger Service, United States Postal Service to such or other address as the Commission may designate.

§ 376.204 Delegation of Commission’s authority during emergency conditions.

(a) Delegation of authority to one or two Commissioners. During emergency conditions, the Commission shall function as usual, if a quorum of the Commission is available and capable of acting. If by reason of such conditions a quorum of the Commission is not available and capable of acting, all functions of the Commission are delegated to the Commissioner or Commissioners who are available and capable of acting.

(b) Delegation of authority to Commission staff. (1) When, by reason of emergency conditions, there is no Commissioner available and capable of acting, the functions of the Commission are delegated to the first five members of the Commission staff on the list set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section who are available and capable of acting:

   (2) The list referred to in paragraph (b)(1) of this section is:
      (i) The Executive Director;
      (ii) Director of the Office of Energy Market Regulation;
      (iii) Director of the Office of Energy Projects;
      (iv) Director of the Office of Electric Reliability;
      (v) General Counsel;
      (vi) Director of the Office of Enforcement;
      (vii) Deputy Directors, Office of Energy Market Regulation, in order of seniority;
      (viii) Deputy Directors, Office of Energy Projects, in order of seniority;
      (ix) Deputy Directors, Office of Electric Reliability, in order of seniority;
      (x) Deputy General Counsels, in order of seniority;
      (xi) Associate General Counsels and Solicitor, in order of seniority;
      (xii) Assistant Directors and Division heads, Office of Energy Market Regulation; Assistant Directors and Division heads, Office of Energy Projects; Assistant Directors and Division heads, Office of Electric Reliability; Deputy Associate General Counsels; and Assistant Directors and Division heads, Office of Enforcement; in order of seniority.