study develop new criteria for analysis of noise impacts on parks or wilderness areas, DON would evaluate that information to determine whether supplemental analysis under NEPA was warranted.

Conclusions

In determining where to homebase the U.S. Pacific Fleet F/A–18E/F aircraft on the west coast, I considered the following: assets and capabilities of existing Navy and Marine Corps Air Stations; the F/A–18E/F operational and training requirements; environmental impacts; costs associated with construction of facilities, the operation and maintenance of aircraft, and training of personnel; and comments received during the DEIS and FEIS public involvement periods.

After carefully weighing all of these factors and analyzing the data presented in the Final Environmental Impact Statement, I have determined that the Preferred Alternative, homebasing the F/A–18E/F aircraft at NAS Lemoore, has the fewest adverse environmental impacts, best meets the operational requirements for the F/A–18E/F, and involves the minimum additional costs associated with the development of facilities to support the F/A–18E/F aircraft and personnel.

Therefore, on behalf of the Department of the Navy, I have decided to implement the proposed action by homebasing 164 F/A–18E/F aircraft at NAS Lemoore. In addition to the specific mitigation measures identified in this Record of Decision, the Department of Navy will continue to review its operational procedures and coordinate with other federal, state, and local entities as necessary to determine if any additional mitigation measures are feasible and practicable.

Dated: July 28, 1998.

Duncan Holaday,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, (Installations and Facilities).

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Teleconference

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of Executive Committee Teleconference.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming teleconference of the Executive Committee of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting. The public is being given less than 15 days notice of this meeting because of the need to accommodate the schedules of the members.

DATES: August 10, 1998.

TIME: 2–3 p.m., EDT.

LOCATION: Room 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, DC 20208–7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thelma Leenhouts, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Washington, DC, 20208–7564. Tel.: (202) 219–2065; fax: (202) 219–1528; e-mail: Themla__Leenhouts@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office. The teleconference is open to the public. The Executive Committee will consider issues related to evaluations of staff performance. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Suite 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, DC 20208–7564.

Dated: August 3, 1998.

Eve M. Bither,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Meeting

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting.

DATES: September 16, 17, and 18, 1998.

TIME: September 16 and 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; September 18, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208–7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thelma Leenhouts, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Washington, D.C. 20208–7564. Tel.: (202) 219–2065; fax: (202) 219–1528; e-mail: *Thelma Leenhouts@ed.gov*, or nerppb@ed.gov. The main telephone number for the Board is (202) 208–0692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office. The meeting is open to the public. On September 16, the Board will conduct on-site visits to the five National Research Institutes housed at 555 New Jersey Ave., NW (directly adjacent to 80 F St., NW; schedule to be announced). On September 17, the Board will hear reports and make final comments on studies (on Peer Review, Reform of the Research, Development, and Communications System) commissioned by its various committees, and discuss the progress of its contract with the National Academy of Education.

On September 18, the Board will review and approve standards for monitoring grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements, and hear a briefing by Media and Information Services on results of a survey of customers of research findings. A final agenda will be available from the Board office on September 7, 1998.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Suite 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208–7564.

Dated: August 4, 1998.

Eve M Bither,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98–3917–000]

American Electric Power Service; Notice of Filing

August 3, 1998.

Take notice that on July 27, 1998, the American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC), tendered for filing executed service agreements under the Wholesale Market Tariff of the AEP Operating Companies (Power Sales tariff). The Power Sales Tariff was accepted for filing effective October 10, 1997 and has been designated AEP Operating Companies' FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 5. AEPSC respectfully requests waiver of notice of permit the service agreements to be made effective for service as specified in the submittal letter of the Commission with this filing.

A copy of the filing was served upon the Parties and the State Utility Regulatory Commissions of Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before August 10, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97–1432–002]

DePere Energy Marketing, Inc.; Notice of Filing

July 31, 1998.

Take notice that on July 28, 1998, DePere Energy Marketing, Inc. (DePere) tendered for filing, pursuant to Rule 205, 18 CFR 385.205, an amendment to its notice of change of circumstances filed on May 6, 1998, with respect to its original petition for waivers and blanket approvals under various regulations of the Commission and the order accepting its FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 1 previously issued by the Commission.

DePere reports that it is no longer an affiliate of GPU, Inc., a public utility holding company and the parent company of Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Metropolitan Edison Company and Pennsylvania Electric Company. GPU, Inc. no longer has any ownership interest in DePere. DePere is 100% owned by Michael Polsky, an individual, through his affiliate Polsky Energy Company.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before August 17, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98–698–000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

August 3, 1998.

Take notice that on July 28, 1998, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), P.O. Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP98–698–000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) for authorization to construct and operate a delivery point in Dona Ana County, New Mexico to permit the firm transportation and delivery of natural gas to PNM Gas Services, a division of Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM), under El Paso's blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82–435–000 and CP88–433–000, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

El Paso states that it provides firm transportation service for PNM pursuant to the terms and conditions of a Transportation Service Agreement dated November 12, 1990. El Paso states the proposed quantity of natural gas to be transported on a firm basis to the Santa Teresa Delivery Point is estimated to be 1,825,000 Mcf annually, or an average of 5,000 Mcf per day. The estimated maximum peak day natural gas requirement is 15,000 Mcf.

El Paso's request states that PNM seeks to deliver natural gas to new customers from a point on El Paso's 26″ O.D. California Line (Line No. 1100) and 30″ O.D. California First Loop Line (Line No. 1103) in Dona Ana County, New Mexico. El Paso states that PNM will use the gas to serve the residential, commercial and industrial requirements of its new customers in the Santa Teresa, New Mexico area.

El Paso states that construction of the proposed delivery point is not prohibited by its existing tariff, and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries of the requested gas volumes without detriment or disadvantage to El Paso's other customers. El Paso also states that the estimated cost of the Santa Teresa Delivery Point is $67,700.

El Paso avers that its environmental analysis supports the conclusion that construction and operation of the proposed Santa Teresa Delivery Point