6.2.3 Variable anti-sweat heater control test. The energy consumption of an electric refrigerator-freezer with a variable anti-sweat heater control in the "on" position (E[on]), expressed in kilowatt-hours per day, shall be calculated equivalent to:

\[ E[on] = E + (\text{Heater Contribution}) \]

where \( E \) is determined by 6.2.1.1, 6.2.1.2, 6.2.2.1, or 6.2.2.2, whichever is appropriate, with the anti-sweat heater switch in the "off" position.

Heater Contribution \( n = (\text{Anti-sweat Heater Power} \times \text{System-loss Factor}) \times (24 \text{ hrs/1 day}) \times (1 \text{ kW/1000 W}) \)

Where:

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{RBFS21SIBP} & \text{ RBFS21SIBE} \\
\text{RBFS21TIBS} & \text{ RBFS21TIBP} \\
\text{HB21QC10NE} & \text{ HB21QC10NS} \\
\text{HB21QC70NP} & \text{ HB21QC70NS} \\
\text{HB21FC10NP} & \text{ HB21FC10NS} \\
\text{HB21FC70NS} & \text{ HB21FC70NP} \\
\text{HB25QC40NP} & \text{ HB25QC40NS} \\
\text{HB25QC70NS} & \text{ HB25QC70NP} \\
\text{HB25FC40NS} & \text{ HB25FC40NP} \\
\text{HB25FC70NS} & \text{ HB25FC70NP} \\
\text{H21BFC45} & \text{ H21BFC45} \\
\end{align*} \]

The waiver should continue until a test procedure can be developed and adopted that will provide the U.S. market with a fair and accurate assessment of the Haier products.

III. An Interim Waiver Should Be Granted

Haier also requests immediate relief by grant of an Interim Waiver. Haier would be placed at a competitive disadvantage if an Interim Waiver is not granted to it, as the energy consumption data will not be comparable to that of other manufacturers that were granted waiver relief.

Furthermore, it is likely that Haier’s Petition for Waiver will be granted, and it is desirable for public policy reasons to grant Haier immediate relief pending a determination on the Petition for Waiver. As stated above, DOE has already granted waiver relief to General Electric, Whirlpool, Electrolux, and Samsung because the DOE test procedure does not accurately represent the energy consumption of refrigerator-freezers containing this technology. The rationale for granting these waivers is equally applicable to Haier. DOE has also concluded that it is in the public interest to have similar products tested and rated for energy consumption on a comparable basis. See, e.g., 74 FR 66338, 66339 (Dec. 15, 2009); id. 66340, 66341 (Dec. 15, 2009).

IV. Persons To Be Notified

Manufacturers of all other basic models marketed in the United States and known to Haier to incorporate similar design characteristics as found in the Haier refrigerator-freezers include BSH Home Appliances Corp. (Bosch-Siemens Hausgerate GmbH), Electrolux Home Products, Equator, Fisher & Paykel Appliances Inc., GE Appliances, Gorenje USA, Heartland Appliances, Inc., Kelon Electrical Holdings Co., Ltd., Liebherr Hausgerate, LG Electronics Inc., Miele, Inc., Northland Corporation, Samsung Electronics America, Inc., Sanyo Fisher Company, Sub-Zero Freezer Company, ULine, Viking Range, and Whirlpool Corporation. The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers is also generally interested in energy efficiency requirements for appliances, including refrigerator-freezers. Haier will notify all these entities as set forth in the Department’s rules and provide them with a version of this Petition and Application.

V. Conclusion

DOE should grant a waiver and interim waiver for Haier refrigerator-freezers with adaptive anti-sweat heater technology. The waiver should continue until a test procedure can be developed and adopted that will provide the U.S. market with a fair and accurate assessment of the Haier products.

Haier certifies that all manufacturers of domestically marketed units of the same specific product type have been notified by letter of this petition and application. Copies of such letter and related certification are attached hereto.

Sincerely,

Robert Cunningham,
Senior Vice President of Product Innovation and Engineering, Major Appliances, Haier America Trading, L.L.C.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee


ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under Section 9008(d) of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the Federal Register to allow for public participation. This notice announces the meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

Dates and Times: April 1, 2010 at 8 am to 5 pm; April 2, 2010 at 12:30 pm to 3 pm.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura McCann, Designated Federal Official for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586–7766; E-mail: laura.mccann@ee.doe.gov or T.J. Heibel at (410) 997–7778 ext. 223; E-mail: theibel@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- The waiver should apply to the following model series. The actual model numbers will vary to account for year of manufacture, product color, or other features, but will always include anti-sweat technology whose energy impact is calculated in accordance with this petition.

\[ A5 = 0.126 \]

\[ A10 = 0.015 \]

Heater Watts at a specific relative humidity = the nominal watts used by all heaters at that specific relative humidity, 72 [degrees] F ambient, and DOE reference temperatures of fresh food average temperature of 45 [degrees] F and freezer average temperature of 5 [degrees] F.

System-loss Factor = 1.3

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Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Laura McCann at 202–586–7766; E-mail: laura.mccann@ee.doe.gov or T.J. Heibel at (410) 997–7778 ext. 223; E-mail: theibel@bcs-hq.com. You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at http://www.brdisolutions.com/publications/default.aspx#meetings.

Issued at Washington, DC, on March 4, 2010.

Rachel Samuel, Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13617–000]

KC Hydro LLC; Notice of Competing Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments

March 4, 2010.

On November 6, 2009, KC Hydro LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of a hydropower development at North Unit Diversion Dam on the Deschutes River in Deschutes County, Oregon. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners’ express permission.

The proposed project would utilize the existing North Canal Diversion Dam, which is used by three irrigation districts, and would consist of the following new facilities: (1) An approximately 50-foot-long, 8- to 10-foot-diameter penstock to accommodate flows up to 800 cubic feet per second downstream of the dam; (2) a powerhouse containing a Francis turbine with an installed capacity of 1.8 megawatts; (3) an approximately 500-foot-long, 21-kilovolt transmission line; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 7.2 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Kelly Sackheim, KC Hydro LLC, 5096 Cocoa Palm Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628, phone: (916) 962–2271, e-mail: oregon@kchydro.com.

FERC Contact: Gina Krump, phone: (202) 502–6704, e-mail: gina.krump@ferc.gov.

Competing Applications: This application competes with Project No. 13560–000 filed August 27, 2009, and Project No. 13639–000 filed December 9, 2009.

Deadline for filing comments and motions to intervene: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments and motions to intervene may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission’s Web site under the “e-Filing” link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission’s Web site located at http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp. More information about this project 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–12715) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1–866–208–3372.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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