

Gatineau, Quebec, Canada. BEMI does not own generation or transmission assets and does not have a franchised electric power service area. BEMI operates as a wholesale and retail marketer of electric power and arranges services in related areas such as fuel supplies and transmission services.

BEMI proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Canada over the existing international transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, International Transmission Company, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Long Sault, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power Inc., New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company.

The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by BEMI, as more fully described in the application, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

#### Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the BEMI application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-258-A. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Patricia Bood, General Counsel, Brascan Energy Marketing Inc., 480 de la Cite Blvd., Suite 200, Gatineau, Quebec J8T 8R3 and Amy S. Koch, Patton Boggs LLP, 2550 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.de.gov>.

Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Electricity Regulation," and then "Pending Procedures" from the options menus.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 18, 2004.

**Anthony J. Como,**

*Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Import/Export, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Innovative Energy Systems Pilot Project—Chemicals

**AGENCY:** Golden Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of a funding opportunity announcement.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), is announcing its intention to establish a five-year collaborative pilot project to jointly support the research, development, and demonstration of projects which will improve the energy efficiency and enhance the productivity of energy systems throughout the chemical industry that are integrated with the chemical processing and energy supply systems within plant boundaries. This pilot project was conceived by Vision 2020 (an organization representing the chemical industry's technology development interests) with the goal of commercializing one or more innovative energy systems that will have widespread application and yield significant energy savings to the chemical industry. Future technology demonstrations of successful research and development (R&D) are anticipated to be conducted by the U.S. chemical industry once the technology risks have been minimized and the costs associated with any technology have been validated by the Innovative Energy Systems Pilot Project.

**DATES:** The Funding Opportunity Announcement was issued on March 16, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain a copy of the Announcement, interested parties should access the DOE Golden Field Office Home page at <http://www.go.doe.gov/funding.html>, click on the word "access." The link will open the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) Web site and provide instructions on using IIPS. The Announcement can also be obtained directly through IIPS at <http://e-center.doe.gov> by browsing

opportunities by Contract Activity, for those Announcements issued by the Golden Field Office. DOE will not issue paper copies of the Announcement.

IIPS provides the medium for disseminating Announcements, receiving financial assistance applications, and evaluating the applications in a paperless environment. The application may be submitted in the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) by the applicant or a designated representative that receives authorization from the applicant; however, the application documentation must reflect the name and title of the representative authorized to enter the applicant into a legally binding contract or agreement. The applicant or the designated representative must first register in IIPS, entering their first name and last name, and then entering the company name/address of the applicant.

For questions regarding the operation of IIPS, contact the IIPS Help Desk at [IIPS\\_HelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov](mailto:IIPS_HelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov) or at (800) 683-0751.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jean Siekerka, Contract Specialist, DOE Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401-3393 or via facsimile to Jean at (303) 275-4788 or electronically to [jean.siekerka@go.doe.gov](mailto:jean.siekerka@go.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) employs a two-phased approach to achieve its objectives:

- *Phase 1* involves selecting a Project Integrator with the expertise, resources, and project and contract management capabilities to solicit, review, select and manage contracts for innovative technology development projects addressing the aforementioned energy-saving opportunities in the chemical industry.

- *Phase 2* involves the Project Integrator conducting a fair and open competitive Innovative Energy Systems Challenge (Challenge) solicitation (Request for Proposals, RFP) to attract potential innovative energy systems technology development projects that meet the following objectives:

1. Target the often overlooked areas of high-risk R&D in the areas of energy systems integrated with chemical processing and energy supply systems within chemical plant boundaries;

2. Through a fair and open competitive solicitation process, identify and facilitate development of innovative technologies that could cost-effectively achieve a significant (≥30 percent) reduction in on-site and off-site energy losses in the chemical industry;

3. Identify opportunities where energy efficiency and/or renewable energy technologies can support achievement of the  $\geq 30$  percent energy savings objective;

4. Lead to one or more innovative energy system designs ready for pilot-scale testing and/or computer models ready for beta-testing that address the aforementioned energy savings objective; and

5. Deliver a high-quality commercialization plan for the selected technology development projects.

After obtaining DOE cost share approval, the Project Integrator will issue contracts for the individual technology development projects, manage the contracts, and provide required reports to DOE.

*Phase 1 funding:* Approximately \$500,000-\$750,000 is expected to be available for the first two years to fund the Project Integrator organization. No cost share will be required under this phase.

*Phase 2 funding:* Approximately \$6,000,000 in DOE cost share funding is expected to be available for an estimated five to eight projects that would run for up to five years. Individual Phase 2 projects will require either a minimum of 20% Non-Federal cost share for applied research and/or development projects or a minimum of 50% Non-Federal cost share for projects involving commercial demonstration, as appropriate. The Project Integrator will make the determination to fund in whole or in part, any, all, or none of the applications submitted in response to its solicitation, subject to the availability of DOE funds.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on March 19, 2004.

**Jerry L. Zimmer,**

*Director, Office of Acquisition and Financial Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC04-76-000, et al.]

#### The Narragansett Electric Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Filings

March 19, 2004.

The following filings have been made with the Commission. The filings are listed in ascending order within each docket classification.

#### 1. The Narragansett Electric Company

[Docket No. EC04-76-000]

Take notice that on March 17, 2004, the Narragansett Electric Company (NEC) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application pursuant to section 203 of the Federal Power Act for approval of the transfer of certain transmission facilities to Rhode Island State Energy Statutory Trust 2000 in connection with the operation of a generation facility in Johnston, Rhode Island. The facilities consist of two short "tap lines."

NEC states that a copy of this application has been served on the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission.

*Comment Date:* April 7, 2004.

#### 2. Nevada Power Company

[Docket No. EL04-90-000]

Take note that on March 16, 2004, Nevada Power Company tendered for filing a Petition for the issuance of a Declaratory Order regarding the contractual rights and obligations of Nevada Power Company's Transmission Service Agreements with Calpine Corporation and Reliant Energy Services, Inc. that require the use of Nevada Power Companies Centennial Transmission Project.

*Comment Date:* April 15, 2004.

#### 3. Triton Power Michigan LLC

[Docket No. ER02-1437-001]

Take notice that on March 15, 2004, Triton Power Michigan LLC filed an amendment to its market-based rate tariff in compliance with the Commission's Order Amending Market-Based Rate Tariffs and Authorizations issued November 17, 2003, in Docket Nos. EL01-118-000 and 001, 105 FERC ¶ 61,218 (2003).

*Comment Date:* April 6, 2004.

#### 4. Thermo Cogeneration Partnership, L.P.

[Docket No. ER02-1785-001]

Take notice that on March 15, 2004, Thermo Cogeneration Partnership, L.P. filed an amendment to its market-based rate tariff in compliance with the Commission's Order Amending Market-Based Rate Tariffs and Authorizations issued November 17, 2003, in Docket Nos. EL01-118-000 and 001, 105 FERC ¶ 61,218 (2003).

*Comment Date:* April 6, 2004.

#### 5. Wisconsin Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER03-684-001]

Take notice that on March 16, 2004, Wisconsin Power & Light Company (Wisconsin Power) tendered for filing a Refund Report in response to the

Commission's Order issued February 11, 2004, in Docket No. ER03-684-000, 106 FERC ¶ 61,112.

Wisconsin Power states that copies of this filing have been served upon all affected customers, parties to the service list and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

*Comment Date:* April 6, 2004.

#### 6. Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER04-221-001]

Take notice that on March 16, 2004, Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operative, Inc. (Deseret) submitted an informational filing, providing the exact amount paid as a 2003 Rate Rebate to each of its six member cooperatives under Service Agreement Nos. 1 through 6 of FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1.

Deseret states that copies of this filing were served upon Deseret's six member cooperatives.

*Comment Date:* April 6, 2004.

#### 7. DJWG, LLC

[Docket No. ER04-289-001]

Take notice that on March 17, 2004, DJWG, LLC (DJWG) filed a supplement to its application for market-based rates as power marketer filed on December 15, 2003.

*Comment Date:* April 7, 2004.

#### 8. Idaho Power Company

[Docket No. ER04-495-001]

Take notice that on March 12, 2004, Idaho Power Company (Idaho Power) filed First Revised Service Agreement No. 174 under its Open Access Transmission Tariff. Idaho Power requests an effective date of April 1, 2004.

*Comment Date:* April 2, 2004.

#### 9. Idaho Power Company

[Docket No. ER04-643-000]

On March 17, 2004, the Commission issued "Notice of Filing" in Docket No. ER04-643-000. The notice was issued in error and is hereby rescinded.

#### 10. New England Power Pool

[Docket No. ER04-654-000]

Take notice that on March 17, 2004, New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) Participants Committee filed to terminate the membership of Solaro Energy Marketing Corporation (Solaro). The Participant Committee seeks an effective date for the termination of the Participant status of Solaro of the earlier of a Commission order accepting the filing, or May 1, 2004, 50 days after the initiation of termination proceedings.

*Comment Date:* April 7, 2004.