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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The project proponent, Pacific Power, has filed applications for rights-of-way with the BLM, the U.S. Department of Defense Joint Base Lewis McChord-Yakima Training Center (Yakima Training Center), and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) for construction, operation, and maintenance of a 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line from Pacific Power's Pomona Heights substation located east of Selah, Washington, in Yakima County to the Bonneville Power Administration Vantage substation located just east of the Wanapum Dam in Grant County, Washington. The BLM is the Federal lead agency for the NEPA analysis process and preparation of the EIS. Cooperating agencies include: The Yakima Training Center; Reclamation; Bonneville Power Administration; Grant County and Yakima County, Washington; and the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The proponent's interest in the new line is to enhance overall operating flexibility and security of the regional transmission grid and to improve system reliability in the Yakima Valley.

As suggested by Pacific Power, under all alternatives, most of the proposed transmission line would be constructed on H-Frame wood pole structures between 65- and 90-foot tall and spaced approximately 650 to 1,000 feet apart depending on terrain. In developed or agricultural areas, single wood or steel monopole structures would be used. The single pole structures would be between 80- and 110-foot tall and spaced approximately 400 to 700 feet apart. The right-of-way width for the H-Frame structure type would be between 125 to 150 feet and for the single pole structure type between 75 to 100 feet. For the Columbia River crossing either near the Midway substation or below the Wanapum Dam, steel lattice structures approximately 200-foot tall would be used to safely span the up to 2,800-foot crossing.

The eight alternative routes considered in the Draft EIS range from 61 to 67 miles in length. In addition to the proposed action, the Draft EIS considers the No Action alternative and identifies a preferred alternative. The preferred alternative would be 66.3 miles in length. This route would cross 5.4 miles of Federal lands managed by the BLM, 5.4 miles of Federal lands

managed by Reclamation, 12.5 miles of Federal land managed by the Yakima Training Center, 1 mile of State land, 0.4 miles of water, and 41.6 miles of privately owned lands. Starting at the endpoint, the preferred route would run generally east from the Pomona Heights Substation near Selah, Washington, continuing eastward, south of the Yakima Training Center through Yakima County. The preferred route would then travel a short distance into Benton County before turning northward, where it would cross the Columbia River into Grant County. From there the route would run northward, partially along the N Road and then across the Saddle Mountains to the Vantage Substation, east of Wanapum Dam. Other system alternatives and route variations were considered but eliminated from detailed study.

The Draft EIS identifies measures to mitigate adverse impacts for the alternatives. Major issues brought forward during the public scoping process and addressed in the Draft EIS include:

- (1) Land use conflicts and effects on agricultural operations and property values;
- (2) Effects on wildlife habitat, plants, and animals including threatened, endangered, and sensitive species (especially sage-grouse);
- (3) Effects to visual resources and existing view sheds;
- (4) Effects to cultural resources;
- (5) Effects to soils and water from surface-disturbing activities;
- (6) Social and economic effects;
- (7) Management and control of invasive plant species; and
- (8) Public health and safety.

A Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS for the Vantage-Pomona Heights 230kV Transmission Line Project was published in the **Federal Register** on January 5, 2009 (75 FR 31240). Public participation was solicited through the media, mailings, and the BLM Web site. Public meetings were held in Selah and Mattawa, Washington.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6 and 1506.10.

Daniel C. Picard,
BLM Spokane District Manager.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of the Joint Colorado Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Northwest Colorado Resource Advisory Council (RAC), Southwest RAC, and Front Range RAC will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The Northwest, Southwest and Front Range Colorado RACs have scheduled a joint meeting for February 13, 14 and 15, 2013. On February 13, the meeting will begin at 1 p.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m.; on February 14, the meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m.; on February 15, the meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and adjourn at noon. The Northwest, Southwest and Front Range RACs will hold their individual RAC meeting on February 13 as follows: Northwest RAC 1-5 p.m. with a public comment period at 2:30 p.m.; Southwest RAC 2-5 p.m. with a public comment period at 3:15 p.m.; and Front Range RAC 1-5 p.m. with a public comment period at 1:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Joint Colorado RAC meeting will be held at the Denver Marriott West Hotel, 1717 Denver West Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vanessa Lacayo, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield St., Lakewood, CO 80215, telephone (303) 239-3681. You may also visit www.blm.gov/co/st/en/BLM_Resources/racs.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Colorado RACs advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of public land issues in Colorado. Topics of discussion during the RAC meeting may include working group reports, the National Landscape Conservation System strategy implementation, vegetation management, youth and veteran engagement and oil and gas

development. These meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the RAC. There will also be time, as identified above, allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of people who wish to comment during the public comment period, individual comments may be limited.

The Northwest RAC topics may include a discussion on the roles and responsibilities for sub-RAC members, the Grand Junction Resource Management Plan (RMP), an update on the Greater Sage-Grouse Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), the Draft White River Field Office RMP Amendment and field office updates.

The Southwest RAC topics may include the Uncompahgre RMP revision, the San Juan Supplement/ Final EIS, drought and field office updates.

The Front Range RAC topics may include a follow-up discussion on the Cache Creek recreation area, an update on the National Natural Landmark designation for the Garden Park Fossil Area and an update on solar energy development in the San Luis Valley.

Dated: December 27, 2012.

Helen M. Hankins,

BLM Colorado State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-923-1310-FI; WYW164452]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease WYW164452, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement from Hunt Oil Company for competitive oil and gas lease WYW164452 for land in Natrona County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, Julie L. Weaver, Chief, Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at 307-775-6176. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-

800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10 per acre or fraction thereof, per year and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$159 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the BLM is proposing to reinstate lease WYW164452 effective January 1, 2012, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above. The BLM has not issued a valid lease to any other interest affecting the lands.

Julie L. Weaver,

Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-923-1310-FI; WYW172559]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease WYW172559, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement from Nautilus Oil & Gas Company, LLC, for competitive oil and gas lease WYW172559 for land in Uinta County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, Julie L. Weaver, Chief, Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at 307-775-6176. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a

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Julie L. Weaver,

Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-923-1310-FI; WYW164393]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease WYW164393, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement from Linc Energy (Wyoming), Inc., for competitive oil and gas lease WYW164393 for land in Converse County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, Julie L. Weaver, Chief, Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at 307-775-6176. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual.