II. Requests To Make Presentations or Submit Written Comments

Persons who desire to make oral presentations at the hearing on June 15, 2016 should submit their request, including the text of their oral presentation, by email to: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov, or by mail or delivery to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: (301) 504–7923; facsimile (301) 504–0127. Requests to make oral presentations and texts of the presentation must be received no later than 5 p.m. EDT on June 1, 2016. Presentations should be limited to approximately 10 minutes. The Commission reserves the right to impose further time limitations on all presentations and further restrictions to avoid duplication of presentations.

If you do not want to make an oral presentation, but would like to provide written comments, you may do so. Please submit written comments in the manner described in the previous paragraph. Written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. EDT on June 1, 2016.

Dated: May 4, 2016.

Todd A. Stevenson,
Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Quadrennial Energy Review: Notice of Public Meetings


ACTION: Notice of public meetings and updating meeting start time.

SUMMARY: At the direction of the President, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or Department), as the Secretariat for the Quadrennial Energy Review Task Force (QER Task Force), will convene public meetings for the second installment of the Quadrennial Energy Review, an integrated study of the U.S. electricity system from generation through end use. A mixture of panel discussions and a public comment period will frame multi-stakeholder discourse around deliberative analytical questions relating to the intersection of electricity and its role in promoting economic competitiveness, energy security, and environmental responsibility.

DATES: See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for meeting dates and locations.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 9, 2014, President Obama issued a Presidential Memorandum “Establishing a Quadrennial Energy Review.” To accomplish this review, the Presidential Memorandum establishes a Quadrennial Energy Review Task Force to be co-chaired by the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Director of the Domestic Policy Council. Under the Presidential Memorandum, the Secretary of Energy shall provide support to the Task Force, including support for coordination activities related to the preparation of the Quadrennial Energy Review (QER) Report, policy analysis and modeling, and stakeholder engagement.

The Quadrennial Energy Review process itself involves robust engagement of federal agencies and outside stakeholders, and further enables the federal government to translate policy goals into a set of analytically based, integrated actions for proposed investments over a four year planning horizon. Unlike traditional federal Quadrennial Review processes, the QER is conducted in a multi-year installment series to allow for more focused analysis on particular subsectors of the energy system. The initial focus for the Quadrennial Energy Review was our Nation’s transmission, storage and distribution infrastructures that link energy supplies to intermediate and end users, because these capital-intensive infrastructures tend to set supply and end use patterns, investments and practices in place for decades. On April 21, 2015, the Quadrennial Energy Review Task Force released its first Quadrennial Energy Review installment report entitled, “Energy Transmission, Storage, and Distribution Infrastructure.” Among the issues highlighted by the analysis in the first installment of the QER were the growing dependencies of all critical infrastructures and economic sectors on electricity, as well as, the increasing interdependence of the various energy subsectors. In response to these findings, and to provide an appropriate