



STATE OF WASHINGTON

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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**NOTICE OF INITIAL PUBLIC MEETING
NOTICE OF LAND USE CONSISTENCY HEARING**

and

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

December 15, 2009 6:30 PM

LOCATION

**310 W. Spruce Avenue, Room 212
Montesano, Washington 98563**

[MAP](#)

Grays Harbor Energy Project – Request to Amend the Site Certification Agreement

Description of Proposal: Grays Harbor Energy LLC (the Certificate Holder) is proposing to rename the existing Satsop Combustion Turbine (CT) Project as the Grays Harbor Energy Center, and to increase the facility capacity by approximately 650 megawatts (MW) to a total of approximately 1,300 MW. As with the existing facility, the addition would consist of two gas turbines and one steam turbine in a 2-on-1 configuration that would generate electricity to supply growing regional electrical demand. The new facilities are referred to throughout this document as Units 3 and 4. The additional facilities would be constructed on the Grays Harbor Energy Center site. The fuel will be natural gas only, and will be supplied by an existing pipeline that was constructed as part of the initial site development.

The Site Certification Agreement (SCA) allowing construction and operation of the first units (now referred to as Units 1 and 2) was previously approved by the State of Washington in 1996 and modified in 2001. The new facilities would be located entirely within the boundaries of the previously permitted site; however, the site boundary would be enlarged to include 10 acres immediately to the east for construction laydown and access. The Certificate Holder is applying to the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) for an amendment to the existing SCA to allow construction and operation of Units 3 and 4, and to increase the site boundary. This amendment is the fourth amendment to the SCA that was originally issued for the Satsop nuclear power plants but modified to permit the current combustion turbine project.

Proponent: Grays Harbor Energy LLC, PO Box 26, Satsop, WA, 98583

Location of Proposal: The site is located approximately 4 miles southwest of the town of Elma, in Grays Harbor County, Washington. The site is located approximately 0.5 mile south of the Chehalis River. The 1,600-acre Satsop Development Park surrounds the site on all four sides.

Units 3 and 4 would be constructed entirely within the boundaries of the approximately 22-acre Satsop Combustion Turbine (Grays Harbor Energy Center) project site. A 10-acre site immediately east of the project site would be used for construction laydown and access and would become a part of the permanent project site.

Lead Agency: Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council.

Public Comment Opportunity: The proposed Project triggers environmental review under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). A SEPA checklist has been posted on the EFSEC website at: [Satsop SEPA Checklist](#) but a SEPA threshold determination has not yet been made.

Agencies, affected Tribes, and members of the public are invited to submit oral and written comments on the proposal. Interested persons or organizations may comment on alternatives, mitigation measures, probable significant adverse impacts, and licenses or other approvals that may be required.

Written comments should be mailed to the Responsible Official:

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Via facsimile to (360) 956-2158;
Via e-mail to efsec@commerce.wa.gov.

Oral and written comments will be accepted during the **Initial Public Meeting – See Below**

Please Note: All public comments must be received in the EFSEC office no later than 5 pm on December 18, 2009. Written comments may also be submitted at the December 15th meeting.

Notice of Initial Public Meeting – December 15, 2009, 6:30 – 7:15 PM: As may be required by RCW 80.50.090(1) and WAC 463-25-025 EFSEC will hold a Public Informational Meeting where the applicant will make a presentation regarding the proposal to amend the SCA, EFSEC will review its SCA amendment and certification process. The public will be afforded an opportunity to present oral or written comments regarding the project.

Notice of Land Use Consistency Hearing – December 15, 2009, 7:15PM (approximate): Immediately following the Initial Public Informational Meeting, a Public Land Use hearing will be held under RCW 80.50.090(2) and WAC 463-26-050 to determine if the project is consistent with county, city and regional land use plans and zoning ordinances. The public will be afforded an opportunity to present testimony relative to the project's consistency and compliance with land use plans and zoning ordinances.

Responsible Official
Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

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Date: 11/20/09

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