

BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

In the Matter of Application No. 2001-03

Duke Energy and Energy Northwest

Satsop Combustion Turbine Project – Phase II

Notice of Request for Amendment of Site
Certification Agreement; and

Notice of Public Information Meeting.

On November 19, 2001, the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC or Council) received an application to amend the existing Site Certification Agreement for the Satsop Combustion Turbine Project. Duke Energy and Energy Northwest (Duke Energy) have submitted a request to construct and operate an additional 650 megawatt natural gas-fired combustion turbine electrical generation facility, referred to as Phase II, at the existing Satsop site.

Duke Energy has also requested expedited processing of their amendment request per RCW 80.50.075. The Council will be able to establish the overall review process to be followed for the Satsop CT Phase II proposal at a later date. EFSEC has taken lead agency status under WAC 173-11-938 (State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Rules) for the environmental review of the proposed Phase II project.

As part of its review process, EFSEC is required to hold a public information meeting. EFSEC will hold this public information meeting on Wednesday, January 16, 2002. The meeting will be held at the Montesano City Hall, 112 North Main Street, Montesano, Washington. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. with an Open House, followed at 7:00 p.m. by a public meeting to present information and receive public comments on the Phase II proposal.

At that meeting, the applicant will present a description of the project, reasons why the proposed site or location was selected, and a short summary of anticipated environmental, social, and economic impacts. The Council staff will describe the state's siting process. A short presentation will also be made by the Counsel for the Environment, a Washington State Assistant Attorney General, who represents the citizens of Washington State before EFSEC, in the review of this request for amendment.

During the meeting, members of the public will also be provided an opportunity to present their views on the project and the applicability of the expedited process for the Council's review of this project. The Council will consider public comments, along with its rules and the SEPA determination for this project, in making its decision on the review process to be followed.

In addition, the general public will be able to speak to the Council's independent consultant and EFSEC staff throughout the review process. Written comments relating to the proposed project and to the Council's decision regarding expedited review will also be accepted at the meeting. In

addition to this public meeting, there will be other opportunities for public comment at future public meetings. Comments may also be submitted via facsimile by using the following number: (360) 956-2158, or by e-mail to efsec@ep.cted.wa.gov.

If you require additional information, special assistance, the assistance of a translator, or auxiliary aids to participate in the meeting, please contact Mariah Laamb, EFSEC Secretary, at (360) 956-2121 as soon as possible. For TDD, call (360) 586-4224.

Dated at Olympia, Washington this 21st day of December 2002.

Washington State Energy Facility Site
Evaluation Council

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