

ensuring access for workers, families, and companies; and promoting innovation. To support the Agenda, the Secretary directed NTIA to create the Digital Economy Board of Advisors as a mechanism for receiving regular advice from leaders in industry, academia, and civil society. See Committee Charter at https://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/deba_charter_12222015.pdf.

The Digital Economy Board of Advisors convened its first meeting on May 16, 2016, to determine preliminary priorities and work streams. The meeting on September 30, 2016, will be the second full meeting of the Board.

This Board is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and is consistent with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Act, 47 U.S.C. 904(b). The Board functions solely as an advisory body in compliance with the FACA. For more information about the Board, visit <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/digital-economy-board-advisors>.

Matters to be Considered: The Board provides independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary, through the Assistant Secretary, on a broad range of policy issues impacting the digital economy. The Board's mission is to provide advice to the Department on increasing domestic prosperity, improving education, and facilitating participation in political and cultural life through the application and expansion of digital technologies. The Board's advice focuses on ensuring the Internet continues to thrive as an engine of growth, innovation, and free expression. The Department will use the advice provided by the Board to inform its decision-making processes and to advance Administration goals.

NTIA will post a detailed agenda on its Web site, <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/digital-economy-board-advisors>, prior to the meeting. To the extent that the meeting time and agenda permit, any member of the public may speak to or otherwise address the Board regarding the agenda items during the meeting.

Time and Date: The meeting will be held in two sessions on September 30, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time, and from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. PDT. The meeting will be available via two-way audio link and may be webcast. Please refer to NTIA's Web site, <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/digital-economy-board-advisors>, for the most up-to-date meeting agenda and access information for the meeting.

Place: The meeting will be held at Mozilla, 331 E. Evelyn Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94041. Public comments may be mailed to: Digital Economy Board of Advisors, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4725, Washington, DC 20230. The meeting will be open to the public and press on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to notify Ms. Remaley at (202) 482-3821 or DEBA@ntia.doc.gov at least five (5) business days before the meeting.

Status: Interested parties are invited to attend and to submit written comments to the Board at any time before or after the meeting. Parties wishing to submit written comments for consideration by the Board in advance of the meeting must send them to NTIA at the above-listed address. Comments must be received five (5) business days before the scheduled meeting date to provide sufficient time for review. Comments received after this date will be distributed to the Board, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting. We also request that comments be submitted electronically to DEBA@ntia.doc.gov with the subject: "DEBA Second Meeting Comment." Comments provided via email also may be submitted in writing.

Records: NTIA maintains records of all Board proceedings. Board records are available for public inspection at NTIA's Washington, DC office at the address above. Documents, including the Board's charter, member list, agendas, minutes, and any reports are available on NTIA's Web site at <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/digital-economy-board-advisors>.

Dated: September 9, 2016.

Kathy D. Smith,

Chief Counsel, National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

Community Bank Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the announcement of a public meeting of

the Community Bank Advisory Council (CBAC or Council) of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB or Bureau). The notice also describes the functions of the Council. Notice of the meeting is permitted by section 9 of the CBAC Charter and is intended to notify the public of this meeting.

DATES: The meeting date is Thursday, September 29, 2016, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern daylight time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Crystal Dully, Outreach and Engagement Associate, 202-435-9588, CFPB_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov, Consumer Advisory Board and Councils Office, External Affairs, 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 9(d) of the CBAC Charter states:

(1) Each meeting of the Council shall be open to public observation, to the extent that a facility is available to accommodate the public, unless the Bureau, in accordance with paragraph (4) of this section, determines that the meeting shall be closed. The Bureau also will make reasonable efforts to make the meetings available to the public through live recording. (2) Notice of the time, place and purpose of each meeting, as well as a summary of the proposed agenda, shall be published in the **Federal Register** not more than 45 or less than 15 days prior to the scheduled meeting date. Shorter notice may be given when the Bureau determines that the Council's business so requires; in such event, the public will be given notice at the earliest practicable time. (3) Minutes of meetings, records, reports, studies, and agenda of the Council shall be posted on the Bureau's Web site (www.consumerfinance.gov). (4) The Bureau may close to the public a portion of any meeting, for confidential discussion. If the Bureau closes a meeting or any portion of a meeting, the Bureau will issue, at least annually, a summary of the Council's activities during such closed meetings or portions of meetings.

Section 2 of the CBAC Charter provides: "Pursuant to the executive and administrative powers conferred on the Bureau by Section 1012 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act), the Director established the Community Bank Advisory Council to consult with the Bureau in the exercise of its functions under the Federal consumer financial laws as they pertain to community banks with total assets of \$10 billion or less."

Section 3 of the CBAC Charter states: “a) The CFPB supervises depository institutions and credit unions with total assets of more than \$10 billion and their respective affiliates, but other than the limited authority conferred by § 1026 of the Dodd-Frank Act, the CFPB does not have supervisory authority regarding credit unions and depository institutions with total assets of \$10 billion or less. As a result, the CFPB does not have regular contact with these institutions, and it would therefore be beneficial to create a mechanism to ensure that their unique perspectives are shared with the Bureau. Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) panels provide one avenue to gather this input, but participants from community banks must possess no more than \$175 million in assets, which precludes the participation of many. b) The Advisory Council shall fill this gap by providing an interactive dialogue and exchange of ideas and experiences between community bankers and Bureau staff. c) The Advisory Council shall advise generally on the Bureau’s regulation of consumer financial products or services and other topics assigned to it by the Director. To carry out the Advisory Council’s purpose, the scope of its activities shall include providing information, analysis, and recommendations to the Bureau. The output of Advisory Council meetings should serve to better inform the CFPB’s policy development, rulemaking, and engagement functions.”

II. Agenda

The Community Bank Advisory Council will discuss youth financial capability and debt collection.

Persons who need a reasonable accommodation to participate should contact *CFPB_504Request@cfpb.gov*, 202-435-9EEÖ, 1-855-233-0362, or 202-435-9742 (TTY) at least ten business days prior to the meeting or event to request assistance. The request must identify the date, time, location, and title of the meeting or event, the nature of the assistance requested, and contact information for the requester. CFPB will strive to provide, but cannot guarantee that accommodation will be provided for late requests.

Individuals who wish to attend the Community Bank Advisory Council meeting must RSVP to *cfpb_cabandcouncilsevents@cfpb.gov* by noon, Wednesday, September 28, 2016. Members of the public must RSVP by the due date and must include “CBAC” in the subject line of the RSVP.

III. Availability

The Council’s agenda will be made available to the public on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, via *consumerfinance.gov*. Individuals should express in their RSVP if they require a paper copy of the agenda.

A recording and transcript of this meeting will be available after the meeting on the CFPB’s Web site *consumerfinance.gov*.

Dated: September 8, 2016.

David Uejio,

Acting Chief of Staff, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement for Land-Water Interface and Service Pier Extension at Naval Base Kitsap Bangor, Kitsap County, Washington

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (Navy), after carefully weighing the operational and environmental consequences of the proposed action, announces its decision to construct and operate a Land-Water Interface (LWI) in Hood Canal on the waterfront of Naval Base (NAVBASE) Kitsap Bangor, Washington (WA). The Navy will implement LWI Alternative 3, Port Security Barrier Modifications, which is the Preferred Alternative in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of July 2016 for LWI and Service Pier Extension (SPE), NAVBASE Kitsap Bangor, WA. LWI Alternative 3 is also the environmentally preferred alternative and will fully meet the Navy’s purpose and need to comply with Department of Defense directives to protect Navy TRIDENT submarines from increased and evolving threats; prevent the seizure, damage, or destruction of military assets; enhance security within the Waterfront Restricted Area; and comply with security requirements at NAVBASE Kitsap Bangor. Although the proposed SPE project was addressed in the Final EIS, a Navy decision on that project has been deferred and the details of that project are not discussed further in the Record of Decision (ROD).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The complete text of the ROD is available for

public viewing on the project Web site at <https://www.nbkeis.com/lwi/Welcome.aspx> along with the Final EIS and supporting documents. Single copies of the ROD will be made available upon request by contacting: LWI and SPE EIS Project Manager, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Northwest, 1101 Tautog Circle, Silverdale, WA 98315-1101, 360-396-0029.

Dated: September 8, 2016.

N.A. Hagerty-Ford,

Commander, Judge Advocate General’s Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 9842-000]

Mr. Ray F. Ward; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

On August 28, 2014 Mr. Ray F. Ward, licensee for the Ward Mill Hydroelectric Project, filed an Application for a New License pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission’s regulations thereunder. The Ward Mill Hydroelectric Project facilities are located on the Watauga River, in the Township of Laurel Creek, Watauga County, North Carolina.

The license for Project No. 9842 was issued for a period ending August 31, 2016. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year-to-year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project’s prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the