

12/27/17.  
 : 20171227-5016.  
 5 p.m. ET 1/17/18.  
 : ER10-3254-003.  
 Cooperative Energy  
 Incorporated (An Electric Membership  
 Corporation).  
 : Updated Market Power  
 Analysis of Cooperative Energy Inc. (An  
 Electric Membership Corporation).  
 12/22/17.  
 : 20171222-5299.  
 5 p.m. ET 2/20/18.  
 : ER18-540-000.  
 Westwood Generation,  
 LLC.  
 : Compliance filing:  
 MBRA Tariff to be effective 2/28/2018.  
 12/26/17.  
 : 20171226-5080.  
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 : ER18-541-000.  
 Westwood Generation,  
 LLC.  
 : Compliance filing:  
 Reactive Tariff to be effective 2/28/2018.  
 12/27/17.  
 : 20171227-5000.  
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 : ER18-542-000.  
 NorthWestern  
 Corporation.  
 : § 205(d) Rate Filing: SA  
 642 5th Rev—NITSA with General Mills  
 Operations LLC to be effective 3/1/2018.  
 12/27/17.  
 : 20171227-5019.  
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 : ER18-543-000.  
 NorthWestern  
 Corporation.  
 : § 205(d) Rate Filing: SA  
 760 3rd Rev—NITSA with Beartooth  
 Electric Cooperative to be effective  
 3/1/2018.  
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 : ER18-544-000.  
 NorthWestern  
 Corporation.  
 : § 205(d) Rate Filing: SA  
 666 5th Rev—NITSA with Suiza Dairy  
 Group LLC to be effective 3/1/2018.  
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 : ER18-545-000.  
 NorthWestern  
 Corporation.  
 : § 205(d) Rate Filing: SA  
 767 4th Rev—NITSA with Basin Electric  
 Power Cooperative, Inc. to be effective  
 3/1/2018.  
 12/27/17.  
 : 20171227-5030.  
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: ER18-546-000.  
 NorthWestern  
 Corporation.  
 : § 205(d) Rate Filing: SA  
 792 1st Rev—NITSA with Big Horn  
 County Electric Cooperative, Inc. to be  
 effective 3/1/2018.  
 12/27/17.  
 : 20171227-5043.  
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The filings are accessible in the  
 Commission's eLibrary system by  
 clicking on the links or querying the  
 docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or  
 protest in any of the above proceedings  
 must file in accordance with Rules 211  
 and 214 of the Commission's  
 Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and  
 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern  
 time on the specified comment date.  
 Protests may be considered, but  
 intervention is necessary to become a  
 party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed  
 information relating to filing  
 requirements, interventions, protests,  
 service, and qualifying facilities filings  
 can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov>. For  
 other information, call (866) 208-3676  
 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: December 27, 2017.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9972-70-OA]

### Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC); Notice of Charter Renewal

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection  
 Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that  
 the Environmental Protection Agency  
 (EPA) has determined that, in  
 accordance with the provisions of the  
 Federal Advisory Committee Act  
 (FACA), the Local Government  
 Advisory Committee (LGAC) is a  
 necessary committee which is in the  
 public interest. Accordingly, LGAC will  
 be renewed for an additional two-year  
 period. The purpose of LGAC is to  
 provide advice and recommendations to  
 EPA's Administrator on ways to  
 improve its partnership with Local  
 Governments and provide more efficient  
 and effective environmental protection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 Inquiries may be directed to Frances  
 Eargle, Designated Federal Officer,  
 LGAC, U.S. EPA, (Mail Code 1301A),  
 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW,  
 Washington, DC 20460; telephone  
 number: (202) 564-3115; email:

Dated: November 6, 2017.

**Troy M. Lyons,**

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 161 0232]

### Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. and Agrium Inc.; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed consent agreement.

**SUMMARY:** The consent agreement in this  
 matter settles alleged violations of  
 federal law prohibiting unfair methods  
 of competition. The attached Analysis to  
 Aid Public Comment describes both the  
 allegations in the complaint and the  
 terms of the consent orders—embodied  
 in the consent agreement—that would  
 settle these allegations.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on  
 or before January 29, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may file a  
 comment online or on paper, by  
 following the instructions in the  
 Request for Comment part of the  
**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section  
 below. Write "In the Matter of Potash  
 Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. et al.,  
 File No. 161-0232" on your comment,  
 and file your comment online at <http://www.ftc.gov>

by following the  
 instructions on the web-based form. If  
 you prefer to file your comment on  
 paper, write "In the Matter of Potash  
 Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. et al.,  
 File No. 161-0232" on your comment  
 and on the envelope, and mail your  
 comment to the following address:  
 Federal Trade Commission, Office of the  
 Secretary, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
 NW, Suite CC-5610 (Annex D),  
 Washington, DC 20580, or deliver your  
 comment to the following address:  
 Federal Trade Commission, Office of the  
 Secretary, Constitution Center, 400 7th  
 Street SW, 5th Floor, Suite 5610 (Annex  
 D), Washington, DC 20024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 Kristian Rogers (202-326-3210), Bureau

of Competition, 600 Pennsylvania



two new nitric acid facilities have been constructed in recent years, those facilities are outside the relevant geographic market and make nitric acid for their internal use at a lower concentration. Existing suppliers of 65%–67% concentration nitric acid are unlikely to expand their sales footprint enough to defeat a price increase by the merged entity in the relevant geographic market.

V. *Competition*

The proposed Consent Agreement remedies the competitive concerns raised by the Merger by requiring the merging parties to divest Agrium's Conda, Idaho facility to Itafos and Agrium's North Bend, Ohio facility to Trammo. These divestitures will preserve the competition that currently exists in the relevant markets.

Under the proposed Consent Agreement, Agrium's phosphate operations at Conda, Idaho, as well as related phosphate mines, customer and supplier contracts, and intellectual property, will be sold to Itafos. Itafos is an integrated producer of phosphate-based fertilizers with a phosphate mining and manufacturing operation located in Brazil. Itafos also owns other phosphate mining properties, including a mine in Paris Hills, Idaho, located 35 miles from Conda. Paris Hills is expected to become operational in 2019 and will serve as a source of high-grade phosphate ore for the Conda operations. As a new entrant into the sale of SPA in North America, Itafos is well positioned to preserve the SPA competition that would otherwise be lost through the Merger.

The proposed Consent Agreement further provides that Agrium's nitric acid plant and related operations at North Bend, Ohio, as well as customer and supplier contracts and intellectual property, will be sold to Trammo. Trammo is a global trader, distributor, and transporter of commodity chemicals, including anhydrous ammonia, the primary feedstock for nitric acid production. Trammo owns three ammonia terminals in Illinois as well as specialized refrigerated barges for ammonia distribution. Through its trading and storage activities, Trammo expects to realize efficiencies in the supply of anhydrous ammonia to North Bend. Trammo will be a new entrant in the sale of 65%–67% concentration nitric acid and will replace Agrium's position in the market today.

The merged entity must complete the divestiture within ten days of closing the Merger. If the Commission determines that Itafos or Trammo is not an acceptable acquirer, the Decision and

Order requires the parties to unwind the sale and accomplish the divestiture to another Commission-approved acquirer within 120 days of the date the Decision and Order becomes final. If the merging parties fail to carry out the divestiture in the manner prescribed by the Decision and Order, the Commission may appoint a divestiture trustee to accomplish the divestiture.

The Commission will appoint an interim monitor to ensure the merging parties' compliance with the Decision and Order and to keep the Commission informed about the status of the divestiture. The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the proposed Consent Agreement, and it is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the proposed Decision and Order or to modify its terms in any way.

By direction of the Commission.