Session)

7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. (Individual Subcommittee Meetings) Tuesday, May 19, 1998: 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held at: Savannah DeSoto Hilton, 15 East Liberty Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gerri Flemming, Public Accountability Specialist, Environmental Restoration and Solid Waste Division, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, S.C. 29802 (803) 725–5374.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Purpose of the Board**

The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management and related activities.

# **Tentative Agenda**

Monday, May 18, 1998

2:00 p.m. Nuclear materials management subcommittee

4:30 p.m. Executive committee meeting 6:30 p.m. Public comment session (5minute rule)

7:00 p.m. Issues-based subcommittee meetings

9:00 p.m. Adjourn

Tuesday, May 19, 1998

8:30 a.m.

Approval of minutes, agency updates (~15 minutes)

Public comment session (5-minute rule) (~10 minutes)

Nuclear materials management subcommittee (~2 hours)

- Update on processing needs assessment
- Nuclear material management integration plan
- Results of National Academy of Sciences study on HEU Fuel

Proposal to amend bylaws (~15 minutes)

Risk management & future use subcommittee report (~1 hour)

12:00 p.m.

Lunch

Public comment session (5-minute rule) (~10 minutes)

DOE national transportation program (~45 minutes)

Environmental remediation and waste management subcommittee report (~1 hour 30 minutes)

Intersite workshop discussions (~15 minutes)

Public comment session (5-minute rule) (~10 minutes)

4:00 p.m. Adjourn If necessary, time will be allotted after public comments for items added to the agenda, and administrative details. A final agenda will be available at the meeting Monday, May 18, 1998.

## **Public Participation**

The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gerri Flemming's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday–Friday except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Gerri Flemming, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, S.C. 29802, or by calling her at (803) 725–5374.

Issued at Washington, DC on April 22, 1998

# Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford Site

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford Site

**DATES:** Thursday, June 4, 1998: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Friday, June 5, 1998: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Tower Inn, 1515 George Washington Way, Richland, Washington, 1–800–635–3980.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail McClure, Public Involvement Program Manager, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, P.O. Box 550 (A7–75), Richland, WA, 99352; Ph: (509) 373–5647; Fax: (509) 376–1563.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### **Purpose of the Board**

The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

## Tentative Agenda

The Board will receive information on and discuss issues related to Tank Waste Remediation System (TWRS) Program Draft Recovery Plan for Interim Stabilization and Readiness to Proceed for TWRS Privatization; Intersite Discussion Workshops; Paths to Closure Strategy; and Spent Fuel Cost, Schedule and Management Issues. The Board will also receive updates on TWRS Privatization, the Draft FY 2000 Integrated Priority List, and the FY 1999 Budget.

## **Public Participation**

The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gail McClure's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments near the beginning of the meeting.

#### Minutes

The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday–Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Gail McClure, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, P.O. Box 550, Richland, WA 99352, or by calling him at (509) 376–9628.

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#### Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

**SUMMARY:** Department of Energy. **SUMMARY:** Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting:

Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Electric System Reliability Task Force

**DATES AND TIMES:** Tuesday, May 12, 1998, 8:30 AM-4:00 PM.

ADDRESSES: The Madison Hotel, Dolley Madison Ballroom, 15th and M Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20005.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB–1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586–1709 or (202) 586–6279 (fax).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background**

The electric power industry is in the midst of a complex transition to competition, which will induce many far-reaching changes in the structure of the industry and the institutions which regulate it. This transition raises many reliability issues, as new entities emerge in the power markets and as generation becomes less integrated with transmission.

# **Purpose of the Task Force**

The purpose of the Electric System Reliability Task Force is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the critical institutional, technical, and policy issues that need to be addressed in order to maintain the reliability of the nation's bulk electric system in the context of a more competitive industry.

# **Tentative Agenda**

Tuesday, May 12, 1998

8:30–8:45 AM Opening Remarks & Objectives—Philip Sharp, ESR Task Force Chairman

8:45–10:00 AM Working Session: Discussion of Draft Position Paper on Technical Issues in Transmission Reliability— Facilitated by Philip Sharp 10:00–10:30 AM Working Session: Discussion of International Lessons

Discussion of International Lesson Learned—Facilitated by Matthew Holden

10:30-10:45 AM Break

10:45–11:45 AM Working Session: Discussion of a Draft Position Paper on State/Regional Reliability Issues—Facilitated by Ralph Cavanagh

11:45–12:00 PM Working Session: Planning for the Final Report— Facilitated by Philip Sharp 12:00–1:00 PM Lunch

1:00–2:15 PM Working Session: Discussion of a Draft Position Paper on Incentives for Transmission Enhancement—Facilitated by Susan Tierney

2:15–3:30 PM Working Session:
Discussion of Draft Position Paper
on Ancillary Services and BulkPower Reliability—Facilitated by
Philip Sharp

3:30–4:00 PM Public Comment Period 4:00 PM Adjourn

This tentative agenda is subject to change. The final agenda will be available at the meeting.

## **Public Participation**

The Chairman of the Task Force is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Washington, D.C., the Task Force welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Task Force will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved prior to publication.

#### Minutes

Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Electric System Reliability Task Force and the Task Force's interim report may

be found at the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's web site, located at http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab.

Issued at Washington, D.C., on April 23, 1998

## Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-353-000]

# Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

April 22, 1998.

Take notice that on April 15, 1998, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue S.E., Charleston, West Virginia 25314-1599, filed in Docket No. CP98-353-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate a new delivery point in Maryland, under Columbia's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Columbia proposes to construct and operate a new point of delivery to Washington Gas Light Company (WGL) on Columbia's pipeline number WG in Poolesville Township, Montgomery County, Maryland. The interconnecting facilities will consist of installing a 4inch tap, 3-inch meter, electronic measurement and approximately 250 feet of 4-inch pipeline. Transportation service will be firm service provided under Columbia's Rate Schedule Storage Service Transportation (SST). The estimated natural gas quantities to be delivered is 3,500 Dth/day and 1,277,500 Dth/annually. Columbia states that the point of delivery has been requested by WGL to serve both residential and commercial customers. WGL has not requested an increase in its firm entitlement in conjunction with this request. The estimated cost is \$176,074 which includes "gross up" for income tax purposes and WGL will reimburse Columbia 100% of the actual total cost of construction.

Columbia states that the new point of delivery will have no effect on its peak