

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), and Title 41, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Subpart 101-6, Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, I hereby certify the Advisory Committee on Appliance Energy Efficiency Standards is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of Energy by law. This notice of intent follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat of the General Services Administration, pursuant to 41 CFR Subpart 101-6.10.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide the Secretary of Energy with advice, information, and recommendations on the appliance energy efficiency standards rulemaking process. The Committee will provide an organized forum for a diverse set of interested stakeholders and technically adept individuals to conduct an in-depth assessment of the Appliance Standards rulemaking process.

Committee members will be chosen to ensure an appropriately balanced membership to bring into account a diversity of viewpoints, including representatives from manufacturer trade associations, energy conservation advocates, utilities, state energy offices, and others who may significantly contribute to the deliberations of the committee. All meetings of this Committee will be noticed ahead of time in the Federal Register.

Further information regarding this Advisory Committee may be obtained from Michael McCabe, Director, Office of Codes and Standards, EE-43, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0121, (telephone: 202-586-9155).

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JoAnne Whitman,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Secretary of Energy Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

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—Openness Advisory Panel.

Dates and Times: Tuesday, December 3, 1996, 1:30 pm–5:30 pm; Wednesday, December 4, 1996, 8:30 am–5:00 pm.

Place: Covington and Burling Law Firm, Conference Center (11th Floor), 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20044.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Cheney, Acting Executive Director, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7092.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the Openness Advisory Panel is to provide advice to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the current status and strategic direction for the Department's classification and declassification policies and programs, as well as other aspects of the Department's ongoing Openness Initiative. The Panel's work will help institutionalize the Department's Openness Initiative.

Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, December 3, 1996

1:30 pm–2:00 pm—Opening Remarks

2:00 pm–3:00 pm—Overviews of the

DOD and CIA Openness Programs

3:00 pm–5:00 pm—Subgroup Reports and Discussion: Priorities in Declassification, Accessibility, Declassification Productivity, Legal Issues

5:00 pm–5:30 pm—Public Comment

5:30 pm—Adjourn.

Wednesday, December 4, 1996

8:30 am–5:00 pm—Working Session.

A final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation: The Chairman of the Panel 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 Panel 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 Panel will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to David Cheney, Acting Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585.

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, DC, between 9:00 am and

4:00 pm, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays.

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Rachel Samuel,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Trunkline Gas Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

November 8, 1996.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in these proceedings on November 14, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the issues in this proceeding.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, contact Marc G. Denking (202) 208-2215 or Lorna J. Hadlock (202) 208-0737.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Market Expansion Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

November 8, 1996.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities proposed by Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) and Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (TETCO) in the Market