

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 Task Force on Education and future reports may be found at the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's web site, located at <http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab>.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee.

DATES: Monday, April 27, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Tuesday, April 28, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Marriott, Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Blvd., Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. David Thomassen (301-903-9817; david.thomassen@oer.doe.gov), and Ms. Shirley Derflinger (301-903-0044; shirley.derflinger@oer.doe.gov), Designated Federal Officers, Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Research, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, ER-70, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874-1290.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director of Energy Research of the Department of Energy on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the biological and environmental research program.

Tentative Agenda

Monday April 27, 1998, and Tuesday April 28, 1998

- Opening of Meeting.
- Remarks from Director, Office of Energy Research.
- Remarks from Associate Director for Science, Office of Science Technology Policy.
- Review of Human Genome Subcommittee Activities.
- Science Talk: Microbial Genomics.
- Update on Office of Biological and Environmental Research Activities.
- BER Program Outreach.
- DOE Computational Initiatives.
- Scientific Facilities: FY 1999 and Beyond.
- New Business.
- Public Comment (10-minute rule).

Public Participation: The day and a half meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact David Thomassen or Shirley Derflinger at the address or telephone numbers listed above. Requests to make oral statements must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statement in the agenda. The Chair of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-311-000]

High Island Offshore System; Notice of Application

April 6, 1998.

Take notice that on March 30, 1998, High Island Offshore System (HIOS), 500 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48243, filed in Docket No. CP98-311-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for permission and approval to abandon transportation service currently being rendered for Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (TGT), all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Federal Energy Commission (Commission) and open to public inspection.

HIOS proposes to abandon its firm transportation service which HIOS is rendering in accordance with HIOS' Rate Schedule T-3, as well as associated Interruptible Overrun Transportation Service rendered in accordance with HIOS' Rate Schedule I.

HIOS proposes to terminate these services at the end of the evergreen term of Rate Schedule T-3, effective May 29, 1998 in accordance with the terms of such rate schedule and in accordance with timely notice given by TGT to HIOS.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before April 22, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 357.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the Protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the NGA and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is