

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Secretary of Energy Advisory Board;
Notice of Open Meeting**

AGENCY: 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—Task Force on Fusion Energy.

DATES AND TIMES: Thursday, April 29, 1999, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. and Friday, April 30, 1999, 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory, Conference Room B-318, Route 1 North, Plainsboro, New Jersey 08543.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Task Force on Fusion Energy is to review the Department of Energy's plans for research and development of four fusion related technologies—pulsed-power, lasers, ion drivers, and magnetic fusion—and to provide advice to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board on how to structure the Department's fusion energy programs, both inertial and magnetic. The review is to focus on the scientific quality of the programs, the goals and objectives of the programs, and the energy potential of each technology. The findings and recommendation of the Task Force on Fusion Energy are to comment on the goals and objectives of the Department's fusion energy related programs, provide a critique of the current development strategies, suggest changes in the overall fusion energy roadmap, and recommended funding levels.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday, April 29, 1999

8:30–8:45 a.m.—Opening Remarks, Introductions and Objectives—Dr. Richard Meserve, Task Force Chairman

8:45–10:45 a.m.—Briefing and Discussion: Fusion Energy Potential in the Energy Marketplace

10:45–11:00 a.m.—Break

11:00–12:00 p.m.—Briefing and Discussion: Fusion Energy's Links to Other Fields

12:00–1:00 p.m.—Lunch

1:00–2:00 p.m.—Briefing and

Discussion: International Fusion

Energy Programs and Collaborations

2:00–4:30 p.m.—Briefing and Discussion: Magnetic Fusion—Key Science Issues

4:30–4:45 p.m.—Public Comment Period

4:45 p.m.—Adjourn

Friday, April 30, 1999

8:30–8:35 a.m.—Opening Remarks and Objectives—Dr. Richard Meserve, Task Force Chairman

8:35–10:30 a.m.—Briefing and Discussion: Magnetic Fusion Portfolio

10:30–10:45 a.m.—Break

10:45–11:45 a.m.—Briefing and Discussion: Magnetic Fusion Technology

11:45–12:15 p.m.—Briefing and Discussion: Magnetic Fusion Summary and Budget Requirements

12:15–12:30 p.m.—Public Comment Period

12:30 p.m.—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 Plainsboro, New Jersey, 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.

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 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Further information on the Task Force on Fusion Energy 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**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**

[Docket No. CP99-271-000]

**Algonquin Gas Transmission
Company; Notice of Application**

April 6, 1999.

Take notice that on March 25, 1999, Algonquin Gas Transmission Company (Algonquin), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct, own, operate, and maintain a pipeline lateral, meter station, tap, and appurtenant facilities (collectively called the Lake Road Lateral) to render a firm lateral transportation service for up to 146,000 Dth/d to Lake Road Generating Company, L.P. (Lake Road), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Specifically, Algonquin proposes to construct, own, operate, and maintain 9,500 feet of 16-inch pipeline lateral extending from a point on its 24-inch and 30-inch mainline system in the Town of Putnam, Windham County, Connecticut to a proposed tie-in with the proposed Lake Road Plant, a new electric generating facility that will be located in Killingly County, Connecticut. The pipeline lateral is proposed to traverse the Quinebaug River by way of the horizontal directional drill method. Additionally, Algonquin will also construct a metering station, tap, and appurtenant facilities at the Lake Road Plant. The estimated cost of the proposed facilities is \$4.7 million. The proposed in-service date is August 1, 2000, and Algonquin proposes to commence construction in May 2000. Algonquin states that it has entered into a Precedent Agreement and a Service Agreement with Lake Road to transport up to 146,000 Dth per day, for a primary term of 20 years. Algonquin states that the transportation service will be performed under Algonquin's