

Individual meetings of the three ACES Committees will focus on specific topics:

- The agenda for the Statistics Committee includes a discussion of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES, the revision of NCES statistical standards, inclusion of disabled and limited-English proficient students in NAEP, linking of NAEP with other NCES assessments and surveys, and changes in Office of Management and Budget required race/ethnicity questions.

- The agenda for the Policy Committee includes a discussion of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES, development of measures of instruction practices, issues in teacher licensure definitions, progress on the Early Childhood Longitudinal Survey, and findings on the collection and validation of teacher SAT/ACT scores.

- The agendas for the Management Committee includes a discussion of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES, the Commissioner's management report, the Office of the Inspector General's report on NCES' Y2K readiness, the status of the Customer Service Survey, NCES training plans, operations and performance measures of other federal statistical agencies.

A large part of the agenda involves presentation of draft language for reauthorization of NCES and ACES and discussion of its implications for NCES and ACES. Since the proposed legislative changes have not yet been sent to Congress, NCES and ACES are precluded from discussion of this information in a public meeting. Bills proposed by the Department of Education cannot be disclosed to the public until after they are officially transmitted to Congress. Such matters are protected by exemption (9)(B) of Section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C., which states that the premature disclosure of such information is likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency's action. ACES are therefore planning to close the portions of the plenary sessions and Committee meetings that pertain to the reauthorization of NCES and ACES. Records are kept of all Council proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Director, Advisory Council on Education Statistics, 555 New Jersey

Avenue NW, Room 400e, Washington, DC 20208.

**C. Kent McGuire,**

*Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Los Alamos

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Los Alamos. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, October 27 1999, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Santa Clare Pueblo, Pueblo Council Conference Room, Governor's Office, Route 30, New Mexico.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann DuBois, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board, 1640 Old Pecos Trail, Suite H, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

Phone: 505-989-1662; Fax: 505-989-1752; E-mail: [adubois@doeal.gov](mailto:adubois@doeal.gov); or Internet <http://www.nmcab.org>

**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*

1. Public Comment, 6:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
2. Committee Reports:
  - Environmental Restoration Monitoring and Surveillance
  - Waste Management
  - Community Outreach
  - Budget
3. Election of Officers for FY 2000
4. Other Board business will be conducted as necessary

*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 Ann DuBois 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 Deputy 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 at 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 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 528 35th Street, Los Alamos, NM 87544. Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Ann DuBois at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 6, 1999.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Energy Information Administration

#### American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics, a utilized Federal Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, November 4, 1999 8:30 am–4:30 pm; Friday, November 5, 1999, 8:30 am–12:00 noon.

**PLACE:** U. S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, DC 20585.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. William I. Weinig, EI-70, Committee Liaison, Energy Information Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585, Telephone: (202) 426-1101. Alternately, Mr. Weinig may be contacted by email at [william.weinig@eia.doe.gov](mailto:william.weinig@eia.doe.gov) or by FAX at (202) 426-1083.

*Purpose of Committee:* To advise the Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration (EIA), on EIA technical statistical issues and to enable the EIA to benefit from the Committee's expertise concerning other energy-related statistical matters.

*Tentative Agenda*

Thursday, November 4, 1999

- A. Opening Remarks by the Chairman, Room 8E-089
- B. Major Topics
1. Strategic Planning, Room 8E-089
  2. Cognitive Testing and Survey Development, Room GH-019
  3. System for Analysis of Global Energy (SAGE) Markets, Room GH-027
  4. Common Data Definitions, Room GH-035
  5. Electricity: An Assessment of Transmission Constraint Costs: Northeast U.S. Case Study, Room 8E-089
  6. An Update on Using Cognitive Interviewing to Evaluate the EIA Web Site, Room 8E-089

Friday, November 5, 1999

- C. Major Topics
1. Addressing Accuracy in the Monthly Forecasting Process, Room 8E-089
  2. Implementation of the Graphical Editing Analysis Query System, Rooms 8E-089
  3. Discussing the Charge of the Senior Mathematical Statistician at EIA, Room 8E-089
- D. Closing Remarks by the Chairman, GE-016

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Written statements may be filed with the committee either before or after the meeting. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. William I. Weinig, EIA Committee Liaison, at the address or telephone number listed above.

*Minutes:* Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, (Room 1E-190), 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-3142, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Issued at Washington, DC, on October 7, 1999.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP99-625-000]

**Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application**

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on September 27, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), Post Office Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 25325-1273 in Docket No. CP99-625-000 an application, as supplemented on September 28, 1999, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to permit Columbia to use firm capacity on Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), 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.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222).

Columbia proposes to use firm capacity on Tennessee of up to 16,476 dt per day from Broad Run, Kanawha County, West Virginia, to Highland, Elk County, Pennsylvania, for a period beginning October 1, 1999, and ending March 31, 2000. Columbia indicates that, as a result of corrosion revealed by recently completed and analyzed in-line inspection of two line segments on Columbia's system in Clinton and McKean Counties, Pennsylvania, Columbia has elected to remove the two pipelines from service prior to October 1, 1999. To find an alternate means of maintaining capacity to serve its contractual obligations during the 1999-2000 winter heating season, Columbia indicates that it has arranged to use capacity on Tennessee's system. Columbia indicates that, because it needs to maintain normal operating pressures on those pipelines to meet its service obligations, it cannot reduce its line pressure on those facilities as a long term option. Columbia also states that it has not had sufficient time to complete the analysis of the two pipelines to determine if the pipelines or segments of the pipelines may have to be replaced or abandoned.

Columbia states that no construction of facilities is required to implement the transaction. It is stated that the total cost of the transaction will be between \$600,000 and \$650,000, which will be accounted for pursuant to the provisions of its tariff concerning Transportation Cost Recovery Adjustment Filings.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before October 27, 1999, 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 Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). 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 Natural Gas Act 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 filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate and permission for abandonment are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Columbia to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP95-408-030]

**Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing**

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on September 30, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective October 1, 1999:

Thirty-seventh Revised Sheet No. 25  
Thirty-seventh Revised Sheet No. 26