

Effective interest rate	On or after	Prior to
9 1/8	Jan. 1, 1988	July 1, 1988.
9 3/8	July 1, 1988	Jan. 1, 1989.
9 1/4	Jan. 1, 1989	July 1, 1989.
9	July 1, 1989	Jan. 1, 1990.
8 1/8	Jan. 1, 1990	July 1, 1990.
9	July 1, 1990	Jan. 1, 1991.
8 3/4	Jan. 1, 1991	July 1, 1991.
8 1/2	July 1, 1991	Jan. 1, 1992.
8	Jan. 1, 1992	July 1, 1992.
8	July 1, 1992	Jan. 1, 1993.
7 3/4	Jan. 1, 1993	July 1, 1993.
7	July 1, 1993	Jan. 1, 1994.
6 5/8	Jan. 1, 1994	July 1, 1994.
7 3/4	July 1, 1994	Jan. 1, 1995.
8 3/8	Jan. 1, 1995	July 1, 1995.
7 1/4	July 1, 1995	Jan. 1, 1996.
6 1/2	Jan. 1, 1996	July 1, 1996.
7 1/4	July 1, 1996	Jan. 1, 1997.
6 3/4	Jan. 1, 1997	July 1, 1997.
7 1/8	July 1, 1997	Jan. 1, 1998.
6 3/8	Jan. 1, 1998	July 1, 1998.
6 1/8	July 1, 1998	Jan. 1, 1999.
5 1/2	Jan. 1, 1999	July 1, 1999.
6 1/8	July 1, 1999	Jan. 1, 2000.
6 1/2	Jan. 1, 2000	July 1, 2000.

Section 221(g)(4) of the Act provides that debentures issued pursuant to that paragraph (with respect to the assignment of an insured mortgage to the Secretary) will bear interest at the "going Federal rate" of interest in effect at the time the debentures are issued. The term "going Federal rate" is defined to mean the interest rate that the Secretary of the Treasury determines, pursuant to a statutory formula based on the average yield on all outstanding marketable Treasury obligations of 8- to 12-year maturities, for the 6-month periods of January through June and July through December of each year. Section 221(g)(4) is implemented in the HUD regulations at 24 CFR 221.790.

The Secretary of the Treasury has determined that the interest rate to be borne by debentures issued pursuant to section 221(g)(4) during the 6-month period beginning January 1, 2000, is 7 1/8 percent.

HUD expects to publish its next notice of change in debenture interest rates in June 2000.

The subject matter of this notice falls within the categorical exemption from HUD's environmental clearance procedures set forth in 24 CFR 50.20(l). For that reason, no environmental finding has been prepared for this notice.

(Sections 211, 221, 224, National Housing Act, 12 U.S.C. 1715b, 1715l, 1715o; sec. 7(d), Department of HUD Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d)),

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William C. Appgar,

Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of Advisory Committee to the Interagency Task Force to Improve Hydroelectric Licensing Processes

AGENCY: U.S. Department of the Interior—Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice advises interested persons that the Advisory Committee to the Interagency Task Force to Improve Hydroelectric Licensing Processes will meet on March 16, 2000 at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the meeting is to:

(1) Update Committee members on the current activities of the Interagency Task Force (ITF);

(2) Review and discuss the ITF Working Groups' draft products on: (i) State Mandates (*i.e.*; CWA Section 410 water quality certification and CZMA certification); and (ii) Economics.

DATE: March 16, 2000; 9:30 am-3 pm.

ADDRESS: United States Department of Agriculture, Whitten Building, Williamsburg Room, Suite 104A, 1400 Independence Ave. NW Washington, DC 20025.

You should inform Security at the building entrance on Jefferson Drive that you are attending a meeting hosted by NRE, (202) 720-7173. After calling NRE, Security will issue you a visitor's pass and direct you to the Williamsburg Room, Suite 104A.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Schunk, Special Assistant to the Chief of the Forest Service, (202) 720-7173

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of the Interior and the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, with the concurrence of ITF members, established the Advisory Committee to provide a forum for non-Federal entities to review and provide comments on the deliberations of the ITF. Interested parties are invited to

attend the meeting and will be given an opportunity to provide comments.

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Special Assistant to the Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT-021886

Applicant: Timothy Micale, Falls Creek, PA

The applicant requests a permit to import the one female African dwarf crocodile (*Osteolaemus tetraspis tetraspis*) from Mr. Rene Hedegaard, Eskiidstruo, Denmark, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through propagation.

PRT-023231

Applicant: Richard Olsen, Santa Cruz, CA

The applicant requests a permit to import six viable eggs of the Chinese monal pheasant (*Lophophorus lhuysii*) from the Sichuan Forestry Department, Baoxing, China under a cooperative agreement to study the hatching for the purpose of captive propagation for the enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-023461

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego, CA

The applicant requests a permit to export one male and one female captive-hatched Andean condors (*Vultur gryphus*) to the Ministry of the Environment of Colombia for release in the Colombian Andes for enhancement of the survival of the species.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication. Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to