

motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-52-000]

#### Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc; Notice of New Location for Informal Settlement Conference

June 30, 2000.

The informal settlement conference scheduled for July 11, 2000, in the above-captioned docket has been relocated. The new location for the informal settlement conference is the Andy Kirk Conference Room, 3rd floor, Kansas City Marriot Downtown, 200 West 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105. The informal settlement conference will begin at 9:30 a.m.

All interested parties in the above dockets are requested to attend the informal settlement conference. If a party has any questions respecting the conference, please call Richard Miles, the Director of the Dispute Resolution Service. His telephone number is 1 877 FERC ADR (337-2237) or 202-208-0702 and his e-mail address is [richard.miles@ferc.fed.us](mailto:richard.miles@ferc.fed.us).

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

#### Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

June 30, 2000.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.220(h), of the receipt of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested on-the-record proceeding, to deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such requests only when it determines that fairness so requires.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications received in the Office of the Secretary within the preceding 14 days. The documents may be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

#### Exempt

1. CP00-36-000, 6-6-00, James R. Hartwig
2. CP00-14-000, 5-26-00, Todd Potas

3. CP00-14-000, 6-16-00, Todd Potas

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[CO-001-0039; FRL-6731-3]

#### Adequacy Status of Submitted State Implementation Plans for Transportation Conformity Purposes

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of inadequacy determination.

**SUMMARY:** In this document, EPA is notifying the public that we have found that the motor vehicle emissions budgets in the submitted Denver ozone maintenance plan are inadequate for conformity purposes. On March 2, 1999, the D.C. Circuit Court ruled that submitted SIPs cannot be used for conformity determinations until EPA has affirmatively found them adequate. As a result of our finding, the Denver Regional Council of Governments and the U.S. Department of Transportation cannot use the motor vehicle emissions budgets from the submitted Denver ozone maintenance plan for future conformity determinations.

**DATES:** This document is effective July 24, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tim Russ, Air & Radiation Program (8P-AR), United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, ph. (303) 312-6479. The letter documenting our finding is available at EPA's conformity website: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/transp/conform/adequacy.htm>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Today's notice is simply an announcement of a finding that we have already made. EPA Region 8 sent a letter to the Colorado Air Pollution Control Division on June 19, 2000 stating that the motor vehicle emissions budgets in the submitted Denver ozone maintenance plan are inadequate. This finding has also been announced on EPA's conformity website: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/transp/conform/adequacy.htm>.

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to state air quality implementation plans (SIPs) and

establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and it also should not be used to prejudice EPA's ultimate approval of the SIP. Even if we find a budget adequate, the SIP could later be disapproved, and vice versa.

We've described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in guidance (May 14, 1999 memo titled "Conformity Guidance on Implementation of March 2, 1999 Conformity Court Decision"). We followed this guidance in making our adequacy determination.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: June 26, 2000.

**Rebecca W. Hanmer,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region VIII.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6608-8]

### Environmental Impact Statement; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or [www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa](http://www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa). Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed June 26, 2000 Through June 30, 2000.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

*EIS No. 000219*, Final EIS, FHW, MO, MO-50/West-Central Corridor Location Study. Transportation Improvements, Sedalia to St. Martins, Pettis, Cooper, Morgan and Moniteau and Cole Counties, MO, *Due:* August 07, 2000, *Contact:* Don Neumann (573) 636-7104.

*EIS No. 000220*, Final EIS, COE, ID, OH, KY, John T. Myers and Greenup Lock Improvements, To Alleviate Commercial Navigation Traffic Congestion, Ohio River Mainstem Systems Study, (ORMSS), Interim Feasibility Report, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio, *Due:* August 07, 2000, *Contact:* Veronica Rife (502) 625-7034.

*EIS No. 000221*, Draft EIS, BLM, WY, Jack Morrow Hills Coordinated Activity Plan, Implementation, Rock Springs, Portions of Sweetwater, Fremont and Sublette Counties, WY, *Due:* October 05, 2000, *Contact:* Renee Dana (307) 352-0256.

*EIS No. 000222*, Final EIS, NPS, CA, Merced Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive Management Plan, Implementation, Yosemite National Park and the EL Portal Administrative Site, Tuolumne, Merced, Mono, Mariposa and Madera Counties, CA, *Due:* August 07, 2000, *Contact:* Alan Schmierer (415) 427-1441.

*EIS No. 000223*, Draft EIS, COE, CA, Murrieta Creek Flood Control and Protection, Implementation, Riverside County, CA, *Due:* August 21, 2000, *Contact:* Timothy Smith (213) 452-3854.

*EIS No. 000224*, Final EIS, TVA, TN, Tim Ford Reservoir Land Management and Disposition Plan Implementation, Tim Ford Reservoir, Franklin and Moore Counties, TN, *Due:* August 07, 2000, *Contact:* Helen Rucker (256) 386-3435.

*EIS No. 000225*, Draft EIS, COE, CA, Rancho Palos Verdes Restoration Project, Implementation, City of Rancho Palos Verdes, Los Angeles County, CA, *Due:* August 21, 2000, *Contact:* Mr. Rey Farve (213) 452-3864.

*EIS No. 000226*, Final EIS, TVA, TN, Tellico Reservoir Land Management Plan, Implementation of Seven Mainstream and Two Tributary Reservoirs, Blount, Loudon and Monroe, Tn, *Due:* August 07, 2000, *Contact:* Cheryl Ward (865) 632-1531.

*EIS No. 000227*, Final EIS, TVA, MS, Union County Multipurpose Reservoir/Other Water Supply Alternatives Project, To Provide an Adequate and Reliable Water Supply, COE Section 404 Permit and NPDES Permit, City of New Alban, Union County, MS, *Due:* August 07, 2000, *Contact:* Charles P. Nicholson (865) 632-3582.

*EIS No. 000228*, Draft EIS, NPS, CA, Anacapa Island Restoration Project, Implementation Implementation, Channel Islands National Park, Ventura County, CA, *Due:* September 05, 2000, *Contact:* Alan Schmierer (415) 427-1441.

*EIS No. 000229*, Final EIS, FHW, WV, King Coal Highway Project Construction, from the vicinity of Williamson to the vicinity of Bluefield, COE Section 404 Permit, Mango, McDowell Mercer, and Wyoming Counties, WV, *Due:* August 14, 2000, *Contact:* Thomas J. Smith (304) 347-5928.

*EIS No. 000230*, Draft Supplement, NOA, Tortugas Marine Reserves Fishery Management Plans Establishment, in Seven Fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico, *Due:* August 21, 2000, *Contact:* James Weaver (727)570-5305.

### Amendment Notices

*EIS No. 200206*, Final EIS, NCP, VA, DC, MD, Adoption—Woodrow Wilson Bridge Replacement, I-95/I-495 From West of Telegraph Road to East of MD Routes 210, City of Alexandria and Fairfax County, VA; Prince George's County, MD and DC, *Due:* July 31, 2000, *Contact:* Eugene Keller (202) 482-7251.

U.S. National Capital Planning Commission (NCP) has adopted certain portion of the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration FEIS #970356 filed 9-5-97 and FSEIS #000127 filed 4-20-00. NCP was not a Cooperating Agency for the above final EIS. Recirculation of the document Section 1506.3(b) of the Council is necessary under on Environmental Quality Regulations.

Dated: July 3, 2000.

**Joseph C. Montgomery,**

*Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6608-9]

### Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

### Draft EISs

*ERP No. D-AFS-L36113-WA* Rating EC2, Upper Charley Subwatershed Ecosystem Restoration Projects, Implementation, Pomeroy Ranger District, Umatilla National Forest, Garfield County, WA.

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