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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject memorandum may be viewed and downloaded at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/mab/owm0318.pdf>.

Dated: September 29, 2001.

Michael B. Cook,

Director, Office of Wastewater Management.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Public Water System Supervision Program Revision for the State of Nebraska

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of tentative approval.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the State of Nebraska is revising its approved Public Water System Supervision Program. The State of Nebraska has adopted drinking water regulations requiring Consumer Confidence Reporting, that correspond to federal regulations published by EPA on August 19, 1998 (63 FR 44512). EPA has determined that this revision is no less stringent than the corresponding federal regulation. Therefore, EPA intends to approve this State program revision.

All interested parties may request a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be submitted by November 2, 2001 to the Regional Administrator at the address shown below. Frivolous or insubstantial requests for a hearing may be denied by the Regional Administrator. However, if there is a substantial request, a public hearing will be held. If no timely and appropriate request for a hearing is received and the Regional Administrator does not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, this determination shall become final and effective on November 2, 2001.

Any request for a public hearing shall include the following information: The name, address, and telephone number of the individual organization, or other entity requesting a hearing; A brief statement of the requesting person's interest in the Regional Administrator's determination and a brief statement of the information that the requesting person intends to submit at such hearing; The signature of the individual making the request, or, if the request is

made on behalf of an organization or other entity, the signature of a responsible official of the organization or other entity.

ADDRESSES: All documents relating to this determination are available for inspection between the hours of 8 a.m., and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the following office: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7, Drinking Water / Ground Water Management Branch, 901 N. Fifth Street, Kansas City, Kansas, 66101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Harriel at (913) 551-7261.

Reference: The Safe Drinking Water Act as amended (1996), and 40 CFR part 142 of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations.

Dated: August 30, 2001.

William W. Rice,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.

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COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Energy Task Force

AGENCY: Council of Environmental Quality.

ACTION: Notice extending comment period.

SUMMARY: By **Federal Register** notice, CEQ has invited interested parties to (1) provide basic information about major pending projects or major projects under development that may be relevant to Task Force efforts to streamline energy permitting decisions and (2) comment on the proposed nature and scope of Task Force activities and provide specific suggestions and examples of permitting or other decision making processes which should be improved or streamlined. 66 Fed. Reg. 43586-43587 (August 20, 2001). Interested parties have requested that CEQ extend the time to file comments. The deadline for comments was October 1, 2001. By this notice, CEQ is extending the time period for public comment to October 31, 2001. Although the time for comments has been extended, CEQ requests that interested parties provide information about major pending projects or major projects under development as soon as possible. In addition, following the comment period, the Task Force will engage in an ongoing dialog with the public regarding permitting or other decision making processes which should be improved or streamlined.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before October 31, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Direct electronic written comments to Chair, Council on Environmental Quality, through the CEQ Web site at www.whitehouse.gov/ceq. Written comments may also be submitted to the Chair, Council on Environmental Quality, Executive Office of the President, 17th and G Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20503. Attention: Task Force. Written comments may also be faxed to the Task Force at (202) 456-6546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for copies the "National Energy Policy Report of the National Energy Policy Development Group" may be directed to CEQ at the above address. The report is available on the White House Web site (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/energy/National-Energy-Policy.pdf>) and on the Department of Energy Web site http://www.energy.gov/HQPress/releases01/maypr/energy_policy.htm). Copies of the report (ISBN 0-16-050814-2) can also be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, by calling (202) 512-1800 or mailing your request to U.S. GPO, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, DC 20402-0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 18, 2001, the President signed Executive Order 13212 recognizing the importance of environmentally sound production and transmission of energy to all American people. The Order established a federal interagency task force ("Task Force"), chaired by the Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality ("CEQ"), to work with and monitor federal agencies' efforts to expedite their review of permits or take other actions as necessary to accelerate the completion of energy-related projects, while maintaining safety, public health, and environmental protections. That task force is also charged with helping agencies create mechanisms to coordinate Federal, State, tribal and local permitting in geographic areas where increased permitting activity is expected.

In order to further the work of this task force, CEQ believes that it would be beneficial to have public input on federal agency activities to implement Executive Order 13212. Such input may include recommendations for improving agency activities, consistent with the purposes and policies of the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, (1) to accelerate the completion of energy-related projects; (2) to increase energy production and