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

Thursday, November 7, 2002

- Tank Waste Program
  — Strategic Initiative 2: Accelerate Tank Waste Treatment Completion by 20 Years
- Accelerated Tank Retrieval and Closure Issues
- Waste Treatment
  — Supplemental Technologies
  — Potential Enhancements to the Vitrification Plant
- Challenges: Funding, Technology Development
- Hanford’s Draft Long-Term Stewardship Plan
- Goals and Outcomes for November Long-Term Stewardship Workshop

Friday, November 8, 2002

- Public Involvement Processes (e.g. HAB press releases, DOE ads, fact sheets)
- Discussion on FY 03 Hanford Advisory Board Meeting Schedule
- Committee Updates

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Yvonne Sherman’s office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five 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 equal time to present their comments.

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 by writing to Yvonne Sherman, Department of Energy Richland Operation Office, 825 Jadwin, MSIN A7–75, Richland, WA 99352, or by calling her at (509) 376–1563.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 2, 2002.

Rachel M. Samuel,
Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy; Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee, Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires notice of these meetings be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Wednesday, November 13, 2002, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, November 14, 2002, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street NW, Washington, DC 20005.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee is to provide advice on potential applications of methane hydrate to the Secretary of Energy; assist in developing recommendations and priorities for the Department of Energy methane hydrate research and development program; and submit to Congress a report on the anticipated impact on global climate change from methane hydrate formation, methane hydrate degassing and consumption of natural gas produced from methane hydrates.

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, November 13

- Welcome and Introductions—Mike Smith, Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy and Arthur Johnson, Advisory Committee Chairman
- Joint meeting with the Interagency Coordinating Committee—8:30 to noon

Briefings on Methane Hydrate Accomplishments, Future Activities and R&D Issues by Minerals Management Service; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; National Science Foundation; Naval Research Laboratory; U.S. Geological Survey; and Department of Energy
  - Presentation and discussion—Ocean Drilling Program Leg 204 to Hydrate Ridge
  - Presentation and discussion—Mallik Well and other Arctic studies

Ten minutes will be allowed for questions and public comment after each presentation.

- Review of draft report to Congress on Hydrates and Global Climate Change

Thursday, November 14

- Continue review and revision of report to Congress on Hydrates and Global Climate Change
- Discussion of additional recommendations to Department of Energy
  - Public comment period
  - Adjournment, about 3:00 p.m.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairmen of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Edith Allison at the address or telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days prior to the meeting, and reasonable provisions will be made to include the presentation on the agenda. Public comment will follow the 10 minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 60 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Transcripts will be available by request.

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Rachel M. Samuel,
Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy

Coal Policy Committee of the National Coal Council

AGENCY: Department of Energy.
ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Coal Policy Committee of the National Coal Council. Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires notice of these meetings be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Tuesday, November 12, 2002, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Chicago Hilton, 720 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the Coal Policy Committee of the National Coal Council is to provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on matters relating to coal and coal industry issues. The purpose of this meeting is to review the Council’s document summarizing past Council reports that address energy security and mercury emissions control technology.

Tentative Agenda:
• Call to order by Ms. Georgia Nelson, Chairwoman, Coal Policy Committee.
• Review and discuss the Council’s document summarizing past Council reports that address energy security and mercury emissions control technology.
• Discussion of other business properly brought before the Coal Policy Committee.
• Public comment—10 minute rule.
• Adjournment.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Margie D. Biggerstaff at the address or telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days prior to the meeting, and reasonable provisions will be made to include the presentation on the agenda. Public comment will follow the 10 minute rule.

Transcripts: The transcript will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forestall Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC on October 2, 2002.

Rachel M. Samuel,
Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Umatilla Generating Project

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability of Record of Decision (ROD).

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the ROD to offer contract terms for integrating power from the Umatilla Generating Project into the Federal Columbia River Transmission System. This decision is based on input from public processes and information in the Umatilla Generating Project Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS–0324, January 2002). The Umatilla Generating Project is a 550-megawatt gas-fired, combined-cycle, combustion-turbine power generation project, located near Hermiston, Oregon, which will help meet the short-term need and future demand for energy resources.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Copies of the Umatilla Generating Project ROD and the Umatilla Generating Project EIS may be obtained by calling BPA’s toll-free document request line: 1–800–622–4520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inez S. Graetzer, KEC–4, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208–3621, telephone number 503–230–3786; fax number 503–230–5699; e-mail isgraetzer@bpa.gov.

Issued in Portland, Oregon, on September 27, 2002.

Stephen J. Wright,
Administrator and Chief Executive Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02–570–000]

Alliance Pipeline L.P.; Notice of Tariff Filing

October 2, 2002.

Take notice that on September 30, 2002, Alliance Pipeline L.P. (Alliance) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 279, to become effective November 1, 2002.

Alliance states that Sheet No. 279 sets forth the available delivery points on its pipeline system. Alliance further states that it has added a delivery point located at Will County, Illinois for the purpose of delivering volumes of natural gas to Guardian Pipeline L.L.C. Alliance is submitting First Revised Sheet No. 279 to reflect the addition of the new delivery point to the list of delivery points available under its FERC Gas Tariff. Alliance states that its filing is made pursuant to the authority of section 4 of the Natural Gas Act, 15 U.S.C. 717c.

Alliance states that copies of its filing have been mailed to all customers, state commissions, and other interested parties. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission’s Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission’s Regulations. 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission’s Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the “FERRIS” link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For Assistance, call (202)502–8222 or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(ii) and the

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