

a pre-certification site visit of Freebird Gas Storage, L.L.C.'s (Freebird) planned Freebird Gas Storage Project. The project consists of about 4.28 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline that would connect Freebird's gas storage to the "500 leg" of Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company in Lamar County, Alabama.

We will view the proposed route and variations that are being considered for the planned pipeline and gas storage. Examination will be by automobile and on foot. Representatives of Freebird will be accompanying the OEP staff.

All interested parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation. Those interested in attending should meet at 8 a.m. (c.s.t.) in the parking lot/area of the Econolodge Hamilton, located at 2031 Military Street South in Hamilton, Alabama.

For additional information, please contact the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

**Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice**

December 20, 2004.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), 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 prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merit's 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 a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a 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 a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

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 communications recently received in the Office of the Secretary. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers. These filings are 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 eLibrary (FERRIS) link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For Assistance, please contact FERC, Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

*Exempt:*

Docket No.	Date filed	Presenter or requester
1. CP04-36-000 .....	12-8-04	Hon. Edward M. Lambert, Jr.
2. CP04-36-000 CP04-223-000 .....	12-15-04	Hugh Thomas. <sup>1</sup>
3. CP04-223-000 .....	12-15-04	Hugh Thomas. <sup>2</sup>
4. Project No. 2105-000 .....	12-15-04	Lorie Jaimes.
5. Project No. 2114-000 .....	12-15-04	Roger D. Whitlam, Ph.D.

<sup>1</sup> Workshop Summary—11-17-04

<sup>2</sup> Workshop Summary—12-07-04

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-7855-8]

**Environmental Laboratory Advisory Board (ELAB) Meeting Dates, and Agenda**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of teleconference meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental Laboratory Advisory Board (ELAB), as previously announced, will have teleconference meetings on January 19, 2005 at 1 p.m. ET; February 15, 2005 at 1 p.m. ET; March 16, 2005 at 1 p.m. ET; April 20, 2005 at 1 p.m. ET; May 18, 2005 at 1 p.m. ET; and June 15, 2005 at 1 p.m. ET to discuss the ideas and views presented at the previous ELAB meetings, as well as new business. Items to be discussed by ELAB over these coming meetings include: (1) What actions can be taken to expand the number of laboratories

seeking accreditation under the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference (NELAC) program; (2) homeland security issues affecting the laboratory community; (3) ELAB support to the Agency's Forum on Environmental Measurements (FEM); (4) what needs to be done to facilitate the implementation of the use of a performance approach in environmental monitoring; (5) increasing state participation in NELAC; and (6) follow-up on some of ELAB's past recommendations and issues. In addition to these teleconference, ELAB will be hosting their next, public face-to-face meeting on February 2, 2005 at the Sheraton Society Hill in