

Overview Presentations of Facilities  
Public Comment

Thursday, May 3, 2001

Discussion of Facilities  
Computational Biology Presentation and  
Discussion  
Advisory Committee Open Discussion  
of Issues  
Review Calendar for CY2001  
Public Comment

**Public Participation:** The meeting is open to the public. 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 Melea Baker via FAX at 301-903-4846 or via email ([Melea.Baker@science.doe.gov](mailto:Melea.Baker@science.doe.gov)). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

**Minutes:** The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; 1E-190, Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW; Washington, DC 20585; between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

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**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Pantex

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Pantex. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATE:** Wednesday, May 9, 2001, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center, 2100 North Spring Street, Amarillo, Potter County, TX.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerry S. Johnson, Assistant Area Manager, Department of Energy, Amarillo Area Office, P.O. Box 30030, Amarillo, TX 79120; phone (806) 477-3125; fax (806) 477-5896 or e-mail [jjohnson@pantex.gov](mailto:jjohnson@pantex.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *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

- 1:00—Agenda Review
- 1:15—Co-Chair Comments
- 1:30—Opening Remarks by Martha Crosland, Director of Intergovernmental & Public Accountability, DOE Headquarters
- 2:00—Discussion
- 2:15—Break
- 2:30—Presentation regarding Board Policies and Procedures by Martha Crosland
- 3:00—Discussion—Public Questions/Comments
- 5:00—Adjourn

**Public Participation:** The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Jerry Johnson's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and every reasonable provision will be made to accommodate the request in the agenda. The 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 a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

**Minutes:** Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Pantex Public Reading Rooms located at the Amarillo College Lynn Library and Learning Center, 2201 South Washington, Amarillo, TX phone (806) 371-5400. Hours of operation are from 7:45 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Saturday; and 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, except for Federal holidays. Additionally, there is a Public Reading Room located at the Carson County Public Library, 401 Main Street, Panhandle, TX phone (806) 537-3742. Hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. to

7:00 p.m. on Monday; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and closed Saturday and Sunday as well as Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing or calling Jerry S. Johnson at the address or telephone number listed above.

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**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, May 3, 2001; 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, Building 060 (Visitor Center), 10808 Highway 93, Golden, CO.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO, 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855; fax (303) 420-7579.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *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

1. The Board and other interested parties will attend a two-hour Rocky Flats site tour to view and hear reports on areas where environmental restoration and natural resource management will be necessary.
2. Representatives from Kaiser-Hill will present results of a recently released report discussing worker contamination in Building 771.
3. The Board's Environmental Restoration Committee will present a topic for discussion and review by the Board.
4. Other Board business may be conducted as necessary.

**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 Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provisions 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 a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

**Minutes:** The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room located at the Office of the Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021; telephone (303)420-7855. Hours of operations for the Public Reading Room are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday–Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Deb Thompson at the address or telephone number listed above.

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**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:** Thursday, May 17, 2001, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday, May 18, 2001, 8:30 to Noon.

**ADDRESSES:** Dome Catering and Conference Center, 539 Woods Hole Road, Woods Hole, Massachusetts 02543.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Edith Allison, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Natural Gas and Petroleum Technology, Washington, DC 20585. Phone: 202/586-1023.

**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:

*Thursday, May 17, 2001*

- Call to order by Mr. Arthur Johnson and Mr. Robert S. Kripowicz, Co-Chairmen.
- Presentations on historic and current research by National Energy Technology Laboratory, Naval Research Laboratory and the National Lab Working Group on Hydrates.
- Presentations on research results in: Arctic hydrate characterization; Production feasibility; safety and seafloor stability for conventional petroleum operations in hydrate areas; and Hydrates and global climate change.
- Roundtable discussion of Hydrates and Global Climate Change.
- Ten minutes will be allowed for questions and public comment after each presentation.

*Friday, May 18, 2001*

- Structured discussion of R&D Priorities and funding levels in: Resource Characterization; Production; Transport and storage of methane from hydrates; Education and training; Mitigating drilling risks; and Exploratory drilling.
- Structured discussion of Interagency and International Cooperation.
- Planning for May 2002 report.
- Public comment—each person will be allowed up to 5 minutes.
- Adjournment, about Noon.

**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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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP01-117-000, et al.]

### Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Applications

April 11, 2001.

Take notice that on March 30, 2001, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Applicant), One Williams Center, Suite 4100, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74172, through its agent, Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Company<sup>1</sup> (Williams), tendered for filing, applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) to abandon certain firm sales agreements under Applicant's Rate Schedule FS between Applicant and various customers pursuant to a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Docket No. CP88-391, et al. on June 19, 1991, as amended by order issued December 17, 1991<sup>2</sup>, all as more fully set forth in the applications, which are on file and open to public inspection. The application may be viewed on the web at [www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm](http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm) (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

Applicant asserts that no abandonment of any facility is proposed. Applicant proposes to abandon twenty-three service agreements under its Rate Schedule FS. The information in the table below summarizes each individual abandonment application:

<sup>1</sup> Formerly Williams Energy Services Company.

<sup>2</sup> See orders at 55 FERC ¶ 61,466 (1991) and 57 FERC ¶ 61,345 (1991).