Capacity: 800 MW. Fuel: Natural gas.

Purchasing Entities: Wholesale power market.

In-Service Date: April 2003.

Issued in Washington, DC, May 9, 2001.

#### Anthony J. Como,

Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy. [FR Doc. 01–12187 Filed 5–14–01; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

## Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law No. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the Federal Register to allow for public participation. This notice announces the meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

**DATES:** June 11, 2001. **TIME:** 9 a.m.—5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Wyndham Hotel, 1400 M Street, NW, Washington, DC.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Douglas E. Kaempf, Designated Federal Officer for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586–7766.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased industrial products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions on the following:

- Subcommittee Recommendations to the Full Committee.
- Full Committee Recommendations on Technical Research and Development Priorities.

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. 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 these items on the agenda, you should contact Douglas E. Kaempf at 202-586-7766 or Bioenergy@ee.doe.gov (e-mail). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

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

Issued at Washington, DC on May 9, 2001. **Belinda G. Hood,** 

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

### Federal Energy Management Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an open meeting of the Federal Energy Management Advisory Committee (FEMAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. Executive Order 13123, "Greening the Government through Efficient Energy Management,' authorized the FEMAC to provide public and private sector input to the Secretary of Energy on achieving new energy efficiency goals for Federal facilities. The U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Federal Energy Management Programs (FEMP) coordinates FEMAC activities.

**DATES:** Monday, June 4, 2001; 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hyatt Regency Crown Center, 2345 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64108.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven Huff, Designated Federal Officer for the FEMAC, Office of Federal Energy Management Programs, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586–3507; Steven.Huff@ee.doe.gov; http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/aboutfemp/femac.html.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of meeting: This FEMAC meeting is an open forum for communicating with FEMAC members and Federal Energy Management Program officials. FEMAC committee members are Beth Shearer, FEMAC Chair, U.S. Department of Energy; Stuart Berjansky, Philips Lighting Company; Jared Blum, Polyisocyanurate Insulation Manufacturers Association; Kenneth Calvin, Mississippi Department of **Economic and Community** Development; Robert Collins, Tampa Electric Company/Peoples Gas Company; Richard Earl, PB Facilities, Inc; Shelley Fidler, Van Ness Feldman; Erbin Keith, Sempra Energy Solutions, LLC; Vivian Loftness, Carnegie Mellon University; Mary Palomino, Salt River Project; and Cynthia Vallina, Office of Management & Budget.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include an open discussion on the following topics:

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- Federal energy management budget
- Energy-savings performance contracts
- Utility energy-efficiency service contracts
- Procurement of ENERGY STAR (Registered Trademark) and other energy efficient products
- Building design
- Process energy use
- Applications of efficient and renewable energy technologies (including clean energy technologies) at Federal facilities
- Other energy management issues and topics

FEMAC members also want to discuss in this discussion setting four critical issues:

- Improving the use of project financing (Energy Saving Performance Contacts and Utility Energy Service Contracts)
- Employing sustainable design in Federal facilities
- Examining budget issues and discussing priorities
- Incorporating the use of new and emerging technologies

Public Participation: For these discussion sessions, FEMAC invites

members of the public to help identify possible solutions in achieving the goals of reducing energy use and increasing energy efficiency in Federal facilities.

No advance registration is required for the meeting. Those wishing to address the committee will be heard based on a "first-come, first-served" sign-up list for each session. With the limited time available, the committee also encourages written recommendations, suggestions, position papers, etc., combined with a short oral summary statement.

Documents may be submitted either before or following the meeting. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

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

Issued at Washington, D.C., on May 4, 2001.

#### Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-260-000]

### Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

May 9, 2001.

Take notice that on May 2, 2001, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-0146, filed in Docket No. CP01-260-000, an application, pursuant to Sections 7 (b) and (c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for abandonment authorization and a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction and operation of certain pipeline, compression and appurtenant facilities in Delaware and Pennsylvania, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Columbia proposes to construct and operate the facilities in order to

accommodate deliveries to a power plant being constructed by FPL Energy Marcus Hook L.P. (FPL) on the Delaware-Pennsylvania border. Specifically, Columbia proposes to construct 1.3 miles of 20-inch lateral pipeline in New Castle County, Delaware, and Delaware County, Pennsylvania. Columbia also proposes to construct and operate a 6,000 horsepower (hp) compressor unit at the existing Eagle Compressor Station in Chester County, Pennsylvania, a 6,000 hp compressor unit at the existing Downingtown Compressor Station in Chester County, Pennsylvania, and a new measuring and regulating (M&R) station on the power plant property in Delaware County, Pennsylvania. In addition, Columbia proposes to abandon 2 1,250 hp compressor units at the Downingtown Compressor Station. It is stated that Columbia is abandoning these units because of their age and condition and will no longer need these units when the new units are installed. In related construction under the automatic provisions of its blanket certificate authorization, Columbia proposes to install a new tap and valve at an existing M&R station at the intersection of Columbia's facilities with those of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation in Chester County, Pennsylvania, and to replace existing regulators at an interconnection with the facilities of Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation, also in Chester County. Columbia proposes to provide firm transportation service for FPL, delivering 125,000 Dekatherms (dth) of natural gas per day to FPL's plant. Columbia estimates the total cost of the proposed facilities at \$22.3

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to M.D. Mamone, Certificates, at (304) 357–3164, Columbia Gas Transmission Company, P.O. Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 25325–1273.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before May 30, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) and the regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive

copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the Commission's website at—

<a href="http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.">http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.</a>

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents, and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, Commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission, and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a Federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on nonenvironmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a