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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PL04-3-000]

Natural Gas Interchangeability; Agenda for February 18, 2004, Public Conference

February 6, 2004.

1. On January 15, the Commission issued a notice announcing its intention to conduct a public conference on natural gas interchangeability and gas quality issues. The notice indicated that the Public Conference would be held on February 18, 2004, and that the Commission would issue a conference agenda at a future time. Accordingly, the following is the agenda as it now stands:

9:30 a.m. Opening Remarks, Conference Guidelines

Focus: Legal context for Commission action, to date and going forward; technical background underlying the need for the conference; *ex parte* considerations, and what may not be discussed; and, procedures for "open mike" discussion.

9:45-10:15 Natural Gas Council Presentation

Focus: Status of gas industry efforts to develop a statement of principles on the issue of natural gas quality standards.

10:15-11:45 Panel I: Technical Perspectives on Gas Interchangeability and Quality: "Gas Quality and Interchangeability 101"

Focus: Technical and scientific background: Reliability; equipment; pipeline tariff and contract conditions; gas processing; LNG distinctives; and, geographic variations in gas quality.

- Jeryl L. Mohn, Sr. Vice President, Operations and Engineering, Panhandle Energy;
- David Rue, Manager, Industrial Combustion Processes, Gas Technology Institute;
- Lori Traweek, Senior Vice President, Operations and Engineering Management, American Gas Association;
- Bob Dimitroff, Topsides Design Manager, Regasification Projects,

International Gas, ChevronTexaco Overseas Petroleum;

- Joel D. Moxley, Vice President, Processing and NGL Group, El Paso Field Services.

11:45-1:15 Panel II: Addressing Gas Interchangeability and Quality Concerns

Focus: Standardization efforts (historical and current); tariff differences; economic incentives; new electric generation needs; cost shifting and cost causation.

- Randy Barnard, V.P. of Operations and Gas Control, Williams Gas Pipelines;
- Adrian P. Chapman, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and Energy Acquisition, Washington Gas Light Company;
- Keith C. Wilson, PE, Ammonia Technology Manager, PCS Nitrogen Fertilizer, LP;
- W. Collin Harper, Senior Vice President, Fuels, Tractebel North America;
- Richard Brent, Director of Government Affairs, Solar Turbines Incorporated;
- Keith Barnett, Vice President, Fundamental Analysis, American Electric Power;
- Robert Wilson, Director, Environmental Engineering and Operations, KeySpan;
- Alfred Fatica, Director NGL Assets, BP America Inc.

1:15-2:15 Break for Lunch

2:15-3:45 Panel III: Next steps * * *

Focus: What are the possible approaches the Commission, the North American Energy Standards Board, other standards-setting organizations, the industry, and commercial partners might take on natural gas interchangeability and natural gas quality? Is there a need for nation-wide standards, and if there is a need, which organizations need to take responsibility to craft such standards?

- Rae McQuade, Executive Director, North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB);
- Douglas A. Moser, Vice President, Gas Management, Philadelphia Gas Works;
- Lee Stewart, Senior Vice President, Gas Transmission, Southern California Gas;
- Terry D. Boss, Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs—Safety and Environment, Interstate Natural Gas Association of America;
- John Hritcko, Jr., Vice President Strategy and Development, Shell U.S. Gas and Power;

- William ("Bill") G. Cope, Vice President, Southern LNG Inc.
- James R. Newman, Senior Engineering Designer, Rheem Air Conditioning Division.

3:45-4:45 "Open Mike" Opportunity

4:45-5:00 Closing Remarks

The foregoing agenda may be subject to change.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Information Collection Request for Obtaining Feedback on Public Involvement Activities and Processes, EPA ICR Number OA-2003-0009

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the EPA is planning to submit a request for a new Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, the EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 15, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OA-2003-0009, to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to oei.docket@epa.gov, or by mail to EPA Docket Center, OEI Docket Mail Code-2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Bonner, Office of the Administrator/Public Involvement Staff—Mail Code 1807T, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-2204; fax number: 202-566-2200 and e-mail: bonner.patricia@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number OA-2003-