

proceeding on the project. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked to sign in before the meeting starts and to clearly identify themselves for the record.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

#### Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

March 10, 2000.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(h), 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 a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits 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 part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become 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 requests only when it determines that fairness so requires.

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 and prohibited off-the-record communications received in the Office of the Secretary within the preceding 14 days. The documents may be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

#### Exempt:

1. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-7-00	Sneed Collard.
2. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-7-00	Sneed Collard.
3. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-7-00	Sneed Collard.
4. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-8-00	Sneed Collard.
5. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-9-00	Sneed Collard.
6. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-9-00	Sneed Collard.
7. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-10-00	Sneed Collard.
8. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-10-00	Sneed Collard.
9. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-14-00	Janet Rowe.
10. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-14-00	Sneed Collard.
11. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-14-00	Todd Mattson.
12. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-23-00	Mark Cline.
13. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-25-00	Mark Cline.
14. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-28-00	Mark Cline.
15. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000 and CP00-16-000 .....	2-29-00	Mark Cline.
16. CP99-599-000, .....	3-2-00	Paul Friedman, FERC.
17. Project No. 2188-032 .....	2-28-00	Kemper M. McMaster.
18. Project No. 11541-001 .....	2-4-00	Sergiu Serban, FERC.
19. CP98-150-000 .....	3-2-00	Matthew J. Brower.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6560-7]

### Brownfields Showcase Communities

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice; solicitation of statements of interest from communities

interested in being designated as Brownfields Showcase Communities.

**SUMMARY:** Programs within the following Federal agencies are participating in the selection of Brownfields Showcase Communities: Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, Department of Education, Department of Energy, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of the Interior, Department of Justice, Department of Labor, Department of Transportation, Department of the Treasury, Department of Veterans Affairs, Appalachian

Regional Commission, Federal Housing Finance Board, General Services Administration, and Small Business Administration.

**DATES:** Submit Statements of Interest on or before April 17, 2000. All proposals must be postmarked or sent to EPA via registered or tracked mail by the deadline cited above.

**ADDRESSES:** Address Statements of Interest to Gayle Rice or Sven-Erik Kaiser, U.S. EPA (5105), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gayle Rice, 202-260-8431 or Sven-Erik Kaiser, 202-260-5138. Additional information, if any, will be updated on the Internet Worldwide Web at the