

Inc. has violated the requirements for participation in the Special Access Program, and has suspended Item Eyes, Inc. from participation in the Program for the period August 1, 2000 through July 31, 2001.

Through the letter to the Commissioner of Customs published below, CITA directs the Commissioner to prohibit entry of products under the Special Access Program by or on behalf of Item Eyes, Inc. during the period August 1, 2000 through July 31, 2001, and to prohibit entry by or on behalf of Item Eyes, Inc. under the Program of products manufactured from fabric exported from the United States during that period.

Requirements for participation in the Special Access Program are available in **Federal Register** notice 63 FR 16474, published on April 3, 1998.

**Richard B. Steinkamp,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements**

July 18, 2000.

Commissioner of Customs,  
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: The purpose of this directive is to notify you that the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has suspended Item Eyes, Inc. from participation in the Special Access Program for the period August 1, 2000 through July 31, 2001. You are therefore directed to prohibit entry of products under the Special Access Program by or on behalf of Item Eyes, Inc. during the period August 1, 2000 through July 31, 2001. You are further directed to prohibit entry of products under the Special Access Program by or on behalf of Item Eyes, Inc. manufactured from fabric exported from the United States during the period August 1, 2000 through July 31, 2001.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Steinkamp,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**National Assessment Governing Board: Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Assessment Governing Board; Education

**ACTION:** Notice of partially closed and closed meetings.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board. This

notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend.

**DATES:** August 3-5, 2000.

**TIME:** August 3—Subject Area Committee #1, 2-5 p.m. (closed); Achievement Levels Committee, 3-5 p.m.; Executive Committee, 5:30-6:15 p.m. (open), 6:15-7 p.m., (closed). August 4—Full Board 8:30-10:30 a.m., (open); Subject Area Committee #2, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. (open), 12-12:30 p.m., (closed); Reporting and Dissemination Committee, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (open); Design and Methodology Committee, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., (open); Full Board 12:30-1:30 p.m., (closed), and 1:30-4 p.m., (open). August 5—full Board, 8:30 a.m.-adjournment, approximately, 12 noon, (open).

**LOCATION:** Ritz Carlton Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, Virginia.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mary Ann Wilmer, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, D.C., 20002-4233, Telephone: (202) 357-6938

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Assessment Governing Board is established under section 412 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994 (Title IV of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994) (Pub. L. 103-382).

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress. The Board is responsible for selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment objectives, identifying appropriate achievement goals for each grade and subject tested, and establishing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons. Under P.L. 105-78, the national Assessment Governing Board is also granted exclusive authority over developing the Voluntary National Tests pursuant to contact number RJ9753001.

On Thursday, August 3, there will be meetings of three committees of the Governing Board. From 2-5 p.m., Subject Area Committees #1 will meet in closed session to review secure test items for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) in the following subject areas: reading, writing, and geography. This meeting must be closed to the public because reference may be made to data which may be

misinterpreted, incorrect, or incomplete. Premature disclosure of this data might significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The Achievement Levels committee will meet in open session on Thursday, August 3, from 3 to 5 p.m., to receive an update on the voluntary national test, to review the work on the achievement levels study, and to review sections of the achievement levels report on student performance standards.

Also, on August 3, the Executive Committee will meet in partially closed session. In the open session from 5:30-6:15 p.m. the Committee will hear an update on the Voluntary National Tests contract, the NAEP participation issues, and NAEP reauthorization; the Committee also will discuss possible changes to the Governing Board meeting schedule and committee structure.

From 6:15-7 p.m., the Executive Committee will meet in closed session. There are two agenda items for the closed session. First, the Committee will hear an update on the development of cost estimates for NAEP and future contract initiatives. Public disclosure of this information would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption (9) (B) of Section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

Second, the Executive Committee will discuss the qualifications of current Board members to serve as Vice-Chairman of NAGB. Based upon these discussions, the Board will elect a Vice-Chairman. This portion of the meeting will relate solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and, as such, is protected by exemptions (2) and (6) of Section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On August 4, the full Board, will convene in open session beginning at 8:30 a.m. In addition to the approval of the agenda, a report from the Executive Director, and an update on the NAEP project, the Board will hear a report on College Board Initiatives and receive a report from the Ad Hoc Committee on NAEP Participation and discuss the findings.

Subject Area Committee #2 will meet in partially closed session. From 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., the Committee will meet in open session to discuss issues related to the upcoming NAEP 2004 mathematics framework update project. In closed session, from 12:00-12:30 p.m., the Committee will review secure

test items for the proposed Voluntary National Test (VNT) in 8th grade mathematics. This portion of the meeting must be conducted in closed session because public disclosure of this information would likely have an adverse financial effect on the NAEP program. The discussion of this information would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

There will be open meetings of the Reporting and Dissemination Committee and the Design and Methodology Committee from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Agenda items for the Reporting and Dissemination Committee include the schedule for the release of future NAEP reports; reporting NAEP 2000 mathematics assessment, samples with and without accommodations; private school reporting plans for NAEP 2002 assessments in reading and writing; and an update on reporting NAEP long-term trend data in writing, internet and printed reports.

The Design and Methodology committee will meet in open session to receive an update on the voluntary national test, and to review a progress report on the market basket study.

The full Board will reconvene in closed session from 12:30–1:30 p.m. to hear the 1999 NAEP Long-Term Trend Report. During this meeting, Dr. Peggy Carr, Associate Commissioner of NCES, will make a presentation to the full Board. The session may discuss specific items from the 1999 Long Term Trend Assessment in Math, Science and Reading. If the meeting was held in open session, the disclosure of such information might significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

From 1:30–4:00 p.m. the board will meet in open session. Agenda items for this portion of the meeting include a panel discussion on mathematics assessment issues, receiving conclusions and recommendations on Achievement Levels and the Follow-up Report to Congress and hear an update on a study regarding the impact of incentives and rewards on NAEP.

On Saturday, August 5, the Board will hear an update on NAEP/NAGB Reauthorization and conclude with the presentation of committee reports and Board actions.

A summary of the activities of the closed, partially closed sessions, and other related matters which are informative to the public and consistent

with the policy of the section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), will be available to the public within 14 days after the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Roy Truby,**

*Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00–405–000]

#### Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 19, 2000.

Take notice that on July 17, 2000, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030–0146, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP00–405–000, pursuant to Section 157.205, 157.211 and/or 157.216(b) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to replace 10.1 miles of 20-inch pipeline in three segments of its Line KA located in Mingo County, West Virginia authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–76–000, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202/208–2222 for assistance).

Columbia proposes to replace 10.1 miles of its 20-inch pipeline due to the age and condition of the pipe. The pipeline would be replaced with an approximate like amount and a like size pipeline. Columbia states, that approximately 3.7 miles of the pipeline would be replaced on existing right-of-way and would involve a typical lift and lay procedure. The remaining 6.4 miles would be replaced using a new right-of-way. Columbia states the new right-of-way is required to move the pipeline from its existing location along a creek bank to the ridge top. The pipeline being replaced through the lift and lay procedure would be abandoned by removal, and the remainder of the pipe would be abandoned in place.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96–389–007]

#### Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Notice of Negotiated Rate Filing

July 19, 2000.

Take notice that on July 14, 2000, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf) tendered for filing to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission the following contract for disclosure of a recently negotiated rate transaction:

FTS–1 Service Agreement No. 68854 between Columbia Gulf Transmission Company and Virginia Power Energy Marketing, Inc., dated June 30, 2000

Columbia Gulf states that transportation service is scheduled to commence November 1, 2000.

Columbia Gulf states that copies of the filing have been served on all parties on the official service list created by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the