

long transmission line; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The average annual energy production is 48,029,165 kWh.

The three Chippewa River projects are operated in close coordination with other Chippewa River hydroelectric projects owned by NSP, primarily in a peaking mode, where the projects are operated fully during the day, and shut down at night for reservoir refill. The three project reservoirs typically operate within a 1 to 2-foot drawdown range. NSP dispatch centers in Minneapolis and Eau Claire coordinate operations, depending on system electrical demand, availability of water (river flow), and costs of energy over the next 24 hours. Hydropower operations are planned one day in advance, with the objective to produce as much energy as possible during the peak electrical demand periods of the day.

As a result of negotiations among NSP, state and federal resource agencies, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs), the Lower Chippewa River Settlement Agreement (LCRSA) was filed with the Commission on February 1, 2001.<sup>1</sup> This agreement, which represents the resolution of all major issues related to the relicensing of the three Chippewa River projects, includes operational and other measures for protection and enhancement of environmental resources at the three projects proposed for relicensing, as well as at three other Chippewa River hydroelectric projects. These other projects include: The Cornell Project (FERC No. 2639-009), Jim Falls Project (FERC No. 2491-025, and Chippewa Falls Project (FERC No. 2440-040). Applications for amendment of license to implement the proposed operational changes at these projects were filed on February 1, 2001.<sup>2</sup> Our environmental analysis will include an assessment of the proposed environmental protection and enhancement measures at all six Chippewa River projects.

m. Locations of the Applications: Copies of each of the three applications are available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20246, or by calling (202) 208-1371. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the

instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Copies also are available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h, above.

n. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions concerning the applications be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice. 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 instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number(s) of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting 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

December 7, 2001.

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. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication should serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. The documents may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the

<sup>1</sup> This filing was noticed by the Commission on February 14, 2001.

<sup>2</sup> These filings were also noticed by the Commission on February 14, 2001.

instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

#### Exempt

1. Project No. 2342—12-5-01—Nicholas Jayjack
2. Project Nos. 1932-004, and 1934-010—12-5-01—Gene Zimmerman
3. Docket No. CP98-150-000, *et al.* 12-3-01—Richard E. Hall, Jr.
4. Docket No. CP02-11-000—12-4-01—Alisa Lykens
5. Project No. 2042—12-4-01—Tim Bachelder
6. Docket No. CP01-361-000—12-3-01—Susan Smillie
7. Project No. 2661—12-3-01—Carol Gleichman
8. Project No. 2016—12-3-01—Carol Gleichman
9. Project No. 1354—12-3-01—Van Button
10. Project No. 1354—12-3-01—Van Button
11. Docket No. CP01-361-000—12-3-01—Susan Smillie
12. Project No. 1354—12-3-01—Dixie Jackson

#### Prohibited

1. Docket Nos. ER96-2945-015—11-29-01—Morris Schreim  
ER97-4143-003  
ER97-1238-010  
ER98-2075-009  
ER98-542-005  
ER91-569-009  
ER97-4166-008

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Notice of Agency Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 10:24 a.m. on Monday, December 10, 2001, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to the Corporation's corporate, supervisory, and resolution activities.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, a motion of Director John M. Reich (Appointive), seconded by Director James E. Gilleran (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), concurred in by Director John D. Hawke, Jr. (Comptroller of the Currency), and Chairman Donald E. Powell, that Corporation business required its

consideration of the matters on less than seven days' notice to the public; that no earlier notice of the meeting was practicable; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(2), (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), (c)(9)(B), and (c)(10) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), (c)(9)(B), and (c)(10)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Dated: December 11, 2001.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**James D. LaPierre,**

*Deputy Executive Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Notice of Change in Time of Agency Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that the previously announced meeting of the Board of Directors scheduled to be held on Monday, December 10, 2001, at 2 p.m. (open session) has been *rescheduled* for 10 a.m. that same day.

No earlier notice of the change in time of this meeting was practicable.

Dated: December 7, 2001.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**James D. LaPierre,**

*Deputy Executive Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### Draft Guidance for the Use of Portable (Hand-Held) Radiological Instruments

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice of draft guidance.

**SUMMARY:** We (FEMA) <sup>1</sup> have developed draft guidance for the use of portable (hand-held) radiological instruments for the detection of radioactive contamination on persons in association with peacetime nuclear accidents. Three

<sup>1</sup> The terms "we" and "us" in this notice mean FEMA.

draft documents pertaining to the draft guidance are available for distribution, review and comment.

**DATES:** We invite comments on the draft guidance, which we should receive on or before February 11, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** You may obtain copies of the draft guidance documents from William F. McNutt, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2857, or (e-mail) [william.mcnuitt@fema.gov](mailto:william.mcnuitt@fema.gov).

Please send any comments on the draft guidance to the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, or (e-mail) [rules@fema.gov](mailto:rules@fema.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vernon L. Wingert, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2872.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The three draft guidance documents are: (a) *Contamination Monitoring Guidance for Portable Instruments Used for Radiological Emergency Response* (10 pages); (b) *Background Information on Contamination Monitoring Guidance for Portable Instruments Used for Radiological Emergency Response* (55 pages); and (c) *Statements of Consideration for Contamination Monitoring Guidance for Portable Instruments Used for Radiological Emergency Response* (7 pages).

We developed this guidance in response to a request from the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD). The CRCPD asked us to develop guidance for portable instruments that afford protection to the public equivalent to the portal monitor standard that we established and published in the **Federal Register**, 60 FR 15290-15291, March 23, 1995.

We worked through the Federal Radiological Preparedness Coordinating Committee (FRPCC) and its Offsite Emergency Instrumentation Subcommittee to develop and coordinate the portal monitor standard and the guidance for portable instruments. We chair the FRPCC and with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) co-chair the Offsite Emergency Instrumentation Subcommittee, which includes members from several Federal agencies. Members of the CRCPD's E-6 Committee (composed of State radiological health officials) participate in meetings of this Subcommittee as ex-officio members. We also made the draft guidance available to FEMA Regional staff and CRCPD constituents in all 50 States for review and comment. We