

Designated Federal Officer, Richard Provencher, Assistant Manager for Environmental Management, Idaho Operations Office, U.S. Department of Energy, is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Every individual wishing to make public comment will be provided equal time to present their comments.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Ms. Peggy Hinman, INEEL CAB Administrator, at the address and phone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC, on August 19, 2004.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Savannah River. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, September 27, 2004, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.; Tuesday, September 28, 2004, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Ramada Limited, 2100 Boundary Street, Beaufort, SC 29902.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gerri Flemming, Closure Project Office, Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC 29802; Phone: (803) 952-7886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agendas

Monday, September 27, 2004

1 p.m. Combined committee session.

4:30 p.m. Executive committee meeting.

5 p.m. Adjourn.

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

8:30 a.m. Approval of minutes, agency updates.

8:45 a.m. Public comment session.

9 a.m. Chair and facilitator update.

9:30 a.m. Waste Management Committee report.

10:45 a.m. Facility Disposition & Site Remediation Committee report.

11:45 a.m. Public comment session.

12 noon Lunch.

1 p.m. Closure business unit update.

1:45 p.m. Nuclear Materials Committee report.

2:30 p.m. Strategic & Legacy Management Committee report.

3:15 p.m. Administrative Committee report.

3:45 p.m. Public comment session.

4 p.m. Adjourn.

A final agenda will be available at the meeting Monday, September 27, 2004.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make the oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gerri Flemming's office at the address or telephone listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided equal time to present their comments.

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

U.S. Drilling Group, Inc.; Notice of Intent to Grant Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: Office of the General Counsel, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of intent to grant exclusive patent license.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given to an intent to grant to U.S. Drilling Group Inc., of Franklin, TN, an exclusive license to practice the invention described in U.S. Patent No. 6,251,279, entitled "Thermally Conductive Cementitious Grout For Geothermal Heat Pump Systems". The invention is owned by the United States of America, as represented by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

DATES: Written comments or nonexclusive license applications are to be received at the address listed below no later than September 24, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John T. Lucas, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property, U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 6F-067, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585; Telephone (202) 586-2939.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 35 U.S.C. 209 provides federal agencies with authority to grant exclusive licenses in federally-owned inventions, if, among other things, the agency finds that the public will be served by the granting of the license. The statute requires that no exclusive license may be granted unless public notice of the intent to grant the license has been provided, and the agency has considered all comments received in response to that public notice, before the end of the comment period.

U.S. Drilling Group Inc., of Franklin, TN has applied for an exclusive license to practice the invention embodied in U.S. Patent No. 6,251,179, and has plans for commercialization of the invention.

The exclusive license will be subject to a license and other rights retained by the U.S. Government, and other terms and conditions to be negotiated. DOE intends to negotiate to grant the license, unless, within 30 days of this notice, the Assistant General Counsel for Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property, Department of Energy,

Washington, DC 20585, receives in writing any of the following, together with supporting documents:

(i) A statement from any person setting forth reason(s) why it would not be in the best interests of the United States to grant the proposed license; or

(ii) An application for a nonexclusive license to the invention in which applicant states that it already has brought the invention to practical application or is likely to bring the invention to practical application expeditiously.

The Department will review all timely written responses to this notice, and will proceed with negotiating the license if, after consideration of written responses to this notice, a finding is made that the license is in the public interest.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 19, 2004.

Robert J. Marchick,

Acting Assistant General Counsel for Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-394-000]

Dominion Transmission, Inc.; Notice of Application

August 17, 2004.

Take notice that on August 10, 2004, Dominion Transmission, Inc. (DTI), 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, filed in Docket No. CP04-394-000 an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for permission and approval to abandon a storage/injection well in the Bridgeport Storage Complex located in Harrison County, West Virginia, all as more fully set forth in the application.

This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this request may be directed to Anne E. Bomar, Managing Director, Transmission, Rates and Regulation, 120 Tredegar Street,

Richmond, Virginia 23219, or call (804) 819-2134.

Specifically, DTI proposes to abandon Well No. 5111 because in February 2002, DTI states that it determined to stop using Well No. 5111 for storage injection/withdrawal purposes because of economic development of the properties in the immediate vicinity of the well. To that end, DTI states that it placed a plug in the well at the time; however, DTI further states that it has determined that the plug was inadvertently set below the perforations and the well was unintentionally shut in. Consequently, DTI avers that Well No. 5111 cannot be restored to use as a storage injection/withdrawal well.

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 the comment date stated below 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 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (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.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

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. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

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 final Commission order approving or denying a certificate will be issued.

Comment Date: September 7, 2004.

Linda Mitry,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-61-003]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

August 18, 2004.

Take notice that on August 10, 2004, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) submitted a compliance filing pursuant to the Commission's orders issued January 28, 2004 and April 20, 2004 in Docket Nos. RP04-61-000 and 001.

El Paso states that the letter is to report to the Commission, in accordance with Section 4.10(d)(iii) of the General Terms and Conditions of its Tariff, that there were no instances where directional transfer scheduling was suspended on its system during the first six months of implementation, February 1, 2004 through July 31, 2004.

El Paso states that copies of the filing were served on parties on the official service list in the above-captioned proceeding.

Any person desiring to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Protests to this filing will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Such protests must be filed in accordance with the provisions of Section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 154.210). Anyone filing a protest must serve a copy of that document on all the parties to the proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests in lieu