

at the Scottsdale Plaza Resort located at 7200 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona.

Agenda for Standards of Conduct Conference

April 7, 2006

9–9:45 Introductory Remarks

9:45–10:45 Industry Panel on

Independent Functioning Requirements

- Creditworthiness and risk management functions.
- Application of Standards of Conduct to employees of holding company, service company, parent company or other non-transmission provider affiliates providing services to the Transmission Provider.

Staff Moderator: Lee Ann Watson.

Panelists: Douglas Smith, Member, Van Ness Feldman P.C., Janice Alperin, Vice President and Associate General Counsel, El Paso Corporation, Antonia Frost, Partner, Bruder Gentile and Marcoux.

10:45–11 Break

11–12 Panel on Integrated Resource Planning

- Discussion of how companies currently engage in Integrated Resource Planning.
- Discussion of concerns or problems that the industry is encountering in implementing the Standards of Conduct while performing Integrated Resource Planning.

Staff Moderator: Deme Anas.

Panelists: David Raskin, Partner, Steptoe and Johnson, LLP; Donna Attanasio, Partner, Dewey Ballantine; Tom DeBoer, Director, Rates and Regulatory Affairs, Puget Sound Energy.

12–1:30 Lunch Break

1:30–2:30 Industry Panel on Information Sharing Prohibitions—Do's and Don'ts

- Permissible communications with affiliated Transmission Providers.
- Communications in nomination/scheduling/confirmation process.
- Transaction specific communications with affiliated shippers.
- Communications between Transmission Providers and Marketing or Energy Affiliates during litigation proceedings/settlement negotiations or other docketed Commission proceedings.

Staff Moderator: Robert Pease.

Panelists: Sherry Nelson, FERC Standards of Conduct Compliance Officer, The Williams Companies; Michel Sweeney, Partner, Hunton & Williams LLP; Keshmira McVey, Chief Compliance Officer, Bonneville Power Administration.

2:30–2:45 Break

2:45–3:45 Staff Panel Responding to

Written Questions

- Staff responding to written questions or inquiries that have been submitted before and during conference.

3:45–4 Concluding Remarks

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As included in earlier notices, there is no registration fee to attend this conference. However, we request that those planning to attend the conference register online, until close of business on April 4, on the Commission's Web site at <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/sc-0407-form.asp>.

A free audio webcast of this event is available through www.ferc.gov. Anyone with Internet access who desires to listen to this event can do so by navigating to <http://www.ferc.gov's> Calendar of Events and locating this event in the Calendar. (Please note that Scottsdale, Arizona is not on Daylight Savings Time.) The event will contain a link to its webcast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the webcasts and offers access to the meeting via phone bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit <http://www.CapitolConnection.org> or contact Danelle Perkowski or David Reininger at 703–993–3100.

Transcripts of the meeting will be available immediately for a fee from Ace Reporting Company (202–347–3700 or 1–800–336–6646). They will be available for free on the Commission's eLibrary system and on the events calendar about two weeks after the conference.

Questions about the conference and workshop should be directed to: Demetra Anas, Office of Market Oversight and Investigations, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. 202–502–8178. Demetra.Anas@ferc.gov.

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Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of a Teleconference of the Science Advisory Board to Review a Draft Report by the Regulatory Environmental Modeling Guidance Review Panel of the Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public teleconference meeting of the chartered SAB to discuss a draft SAB report, *Review of Agency "Draft Guidance on the Development, Evaluation, and Application of Regulatory Environmental Models" and "Models Knowledge Base" by the Regulatory Environmental Modeling Guidance Review Panel of the EPA Science Advisory Board.*

DATES: The date for the teleconference is Wednesday, April 26, 2006, from 1:30–4 p.m. (Eastern Time).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place via telephone only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public who wish to obtain the call-in number and access code to participate in the telephone conference may contact Mr. Thomas O. Miller, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), Science Advisory Board Staff Office (1400F), U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; or via telephone/voice mail at (202) 343–9982 or via e-mail at miller.tom@epa.gov. General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meeting announced in this notice, may be found on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, notice is hereby given that the SAB will hold a public teleconference on the date and time provided above. The purpose of this telephone conference is to conduct a final public review and discussion of the draft SAB report *Review of Agency "Draft Guidance on the Development, Evaluation, and Application of Regulatory Environmental Models" and "Models Knowledge Base" by the Regulatory Environmental Modeling Guidance Review Panel of the EPA Science Advisory Board.* The focus of the meeting is to consider whether: (i) The original charge questions to the SAB review panel have been adequately addressed in the draft report, (ii) the draft report is clear and logical; and (iii) the conclusions drawn, or recommendations made in the draft report, are supported by the body of the report.

Background: Background on the REM Guidance Review Panel activities can be found in the following **Federal Register** Notices 68 FR 46602, August 6, 2003; 70 FR 1243, January 6, 2005; 70 FR 12477, March 14, 2005; 70 FR 30948, May 31, 2005; 70 FR 41008, July 15, 2005; and

70 FR 54923, September 19, 2005. Information can also be found on the EPA SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab/panels/cremgacpanel.html>.

Availability of Meeting Materials: A roster of participating SAB members and the meeting agenda will be posted on the SAB Web site prior to the meeting. The draft panel report is on the SAB Web site at http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/rem_draft_02-24-06.pdf.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB Panel to consider during the advisory process.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker with no more than a total of fifteen minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact the DFO, contact information provided above, in writing via e-mail by April 19, 2006, to be placed on the public speaker list for the teleconference.

Written Statements: Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by April 19, 2006, so that the information may be made available to the Panel for their consideration. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat, WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Meeting Accommodations: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Thomas Miller, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at (202) 343-9982 or via e-mail at miller.tom@epa.gov. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact the DFO, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: April 5, 2006.

Anthony Maciorowski,

Associate Director for Science, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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Science Advisory Board Staff Office Notification of an Upcoming Meeting of the Science Advisory Board Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C-VPESS)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the SAB Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C-VPESS) to discuss a draft committee report and initial committee work on application of methods for valuing the protection of ecological systems and services.

DATES: A public meeting of the C-VPESS will be held from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m (Eastern Time) on May 9, 2006 and from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) on May 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the SAB Conference Center, 1025 F Street, NW., Suite 3700, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public wishing further information regarding the SAB C-VPESS meeting may contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone at: (202) 343-9981 or e-mail at: nugent.angela@epa.gov. The SAB mailing address is: U.S. EPA, Science Advisory Board (1400F), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice, may be found in the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

Background: Background on the SAB C-VPESS and its charge was provided in 68 FR 11082 (March 7, 2003). The purpose of the meeting is for the SAB C-VPESS to discuss a draft advisory

report calling for expanded and integrated approach for valuing the protection of ecological systems and services. The Committee will also discuss initial work on application of methods for valuing the protection of ecological systems and services.

These activities are related to the Committee's overall charge: To assess Agency needs and the state of the art and science of valuing protection of ecological systems and services and to identify key areas for improving knowledge, methodologies, practice, and research.

Availability of Meeting Materials: Materials in support of this meeting will be placed on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/> in advance of this meeting.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB to consider during the advisory process. *Oral Statements:* In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Dr. Nugent, DFO, at the contact information noted above, by April 30, 2006, to be placed on the public speaker list for the May 9-10, 2006 meeting. *Written Statements:* Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by April 30, 2006, so that the information may be made available to the SAB for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Meeting Access: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Angela Nugent at (202) 343-9981 or nugent.angela@epa.gov. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Dr. Nugent, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: April 3, 2006.

Anthony Maciorowski,

Associate Director for Science, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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