

Dated: January 27, 1997.
 Judith E. Heumann,
*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and
 Rehabilitative Services.*
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

AGENCY: Department of Energy.
ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats.

DATES: Thursday, February 6, 1997, 6:00 pm-9:30 pm.

ADDRESSES: Westminster City Hall (Lower-level Multi-purpose Room) 4800 West 92nd Avenue Westminster, CO.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, EM SSAB-Rocky Flats, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021, phone: (303) 420-7855, fax: (303) 420-7579.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board:

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

Tentative Agenda

(1) The Board will hear a presentation on the decontamination and decommissioning (D&D) plans and activities for Rocky Flats buildings. Site representatives will be on hand to educate the Board and members of the public on definition of terms, D&D planning, schedules, challenges, experience and technology issues. Ongoing D&D projects at the site will also be discussed.

(2) The Board's Health Committee will bring a recommendation for approval which follows up on the results of a Community Needs Assessment performed in 1996.

(3) Updates from the Board's committees.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should

contact Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments. This notice is being published less than 15 days in advance of the meeting due to programmatic issues that needed to be resolved.

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 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855. Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9:00 am and 4:00 pm on Monday through Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Deb Thompson at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on January 24, 1997.

Rachel M. Samuel,

*Acting Deputy Advisory Committee
 Management Officer.*

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Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Case No. DH-010]

Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Granting of the Application for Interim Waiver and Publishing of the Petition for Waiver of Wolf Steel Ltd. From the DOE Vented Home Heating Equipment Test Procedure

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Today's notice grants an Interim Waiver to Wolf Steel Ltd. (Wolf Steel) from the Department of Energy (DOE or Department) test procedure for vented home heating equipment. The Interim waiver concerns pilot light energy consumption for Wolf Steel's

models GD22, GD27, GD3200, GD3200B, GD40, GI3014B, GI3014, GI3600, GS3500, GDS3700, GDS50, GS50, GDI50, and GD45 vented heaters.

Today's notice also publishes a "Petition for Waiver" from Wolf Steel. Wolf Steel's Petition for Waiver requests DOE to grant relief from the DOE vented home heating equipment test procedure relating to the use of pilot light energy consumption in calculating the Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency (AFUE). Specifically, Wolf Steel seeks to delete the required pilot light measurement (Q_p) in the calculation of AFUE when the pilot is off. The Department solicits comments, data, and information respecting the Petition for Waiver.

DATE: DOE will accept comments, data, and information not later than March 3, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and statements shall be sent to: Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Case No. DH-010, Mail Stop EE-43, Room 1J-018, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 586-7140.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William W. Hui, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Mail Stop EE-43, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 586-9145; or

Eugene Margolis, Esq., U.S. Department of Energy, Office of General Counsel, Mail Stop GC-72, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0103, (202) 586-9507.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products (other than automobiles) was established pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended (EPCA), which requires DOE to prescribe standardized test procedures to measure the energy consumption of certain consumer products, including vented home heating equipment. The intent of the test procedures is to provide a comparable measure of energy consumption that will assist consumers in making informed purchasing decisions, and will determine whether a product complies with the applicable energy conservation standard. These test procedures appear at Title 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B.

The Department amended the test procedure rules to provide for a waiver process by adding § 430.27 to Title 10 CFR Part 430. 45 FR 64108, September

26, 1980. Subsequently, DOE amended the waiver process to allow the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (Assistant Secretary) to grant an Interim Waiver from test procedure requirements to manufacturers that have petitioned DOE for a waiver of such prescribed test procedures. Title 10 CFR Part 430, § 430.27(a)(2).

The waiver process allows the Assistant Secretary to waive temporarily test procedures for a particular basic model when a petitioner shows that the basic model contains one or more design characteristics which prevent testing according to the prescribed test procedures, or when the prescribed test procedures may evaluate the basic model in a manner so unrepresentative of its true energy consumption as to provide materially inaccurate comparative data. Waivers generally remain in effect until final test procedure amendments become effective, resolving the problem that is the subject of the waiver.

An Interim Waiver will be granted if it is determined that the applicant will experience economic hardship if the Application for Interim Waiver is denied, if it appears likely that the Petition for Waiver will be granted, and/or the Assistant Secretary determines that it would be desirable for public policy reasons to grant immediate relief pending a determination on the Petition for Waiver. Title 10 CFR Part 430, § 430.27(g). An Interim Waiver remains in effect for a period of 180 days, or until DOE issues a determination on the Petition for Waiver, whichever is sooner, and may be extended for an additional 180 days, if necessary.

On December 3, 1996, Wolf Steel filed an Application for Interim Waiver and a Petition for Waiver regarding pilot light energy consumption.

Wolf Steel seeks an Interim Waiver from the DOE test provisions in section 3.5 of Title 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B, Appendix O, which requires measurement of energy input rate of the pilot light (Q_p), and in section 4.2.6, which requires the use of this data for the calculation of AFUE, where:

$$AFUE = \frac{[4400\eta_{ss}\eta_u Q_{in-max}]}{[4400\eta_{ss}Q_{in-max} + 2.5(4600)\eta_u Q_p]}$$

Instead, Wolf Steel requests that, in essence, it be allowed to delete Q_p and accordingly, the $[2.5(4600)\eta_u Q_p]$ term in the calculation of AFUE. Wolf Steel states that instructions to turn off the transient pilot by the user when the heater is not in use are in the User Instruction Manual and on a label adjacent to the gas control valve. Since the current DOE test procedure does not

address pilot light energy savings, and since others have received the same waiver under the same circumstances, Wolf Steel asks that the Interim Waiver be granted.

Previous Petitions for Waiver to exclude the pilot light energy input term in the calculation of AFUE for vented heaters with a manual transient pilot control have been granted by DOE to Appalachian Stove and Fabricators, Inc., 56 FR 51711, October 15, 1991; Valor Incorporated, 56 FR 51714, October 15, 1991; CFM International Inc., 61 FR 17287, April 19, 1996; Vermont Castings, Inc., 61 FR 17290, April 19, 1996; Superior Fireplace Company, 61 FR 17885, April 23, 1996; Vermont Castings, Inc., 61 FR 57857, November 8, 1996; and HEAT-N-GLO Fireplace Products, Inc., 61 FR 64519, December 5, 1996.

Thus, it appears likely that Wolf Steel's Petition for Waiver concerning pilot light energy consumption for vented heaters will be granted. In those instances where the likely success of the Petition for Waiver has been demonstrated based upon DOE having granted a waiver for a similar product design, it is in the public interest to have similar products tested and rated for energy consumption on a comparable basis.

Therefore, based on the above, DOE is granting Wolf Steel an Interim Waiver for its models GD22, GD27, GD3200, GD3200B, GD40, GI3014B, GI3014, GI3600, GS3500, GDS3700, GDS50, GS50, GDI50, and GD45 vented heaters. Wolf Steel shall be permitted to test these models of its vented heaters on the basis of the test procedures specified in Title 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B, Appendix O, with the following modifications:

(i) Delete paragraph 3.5 of Appendix O.

(ii) Delete paragraph 4.2.6 of Appendix O and replace with the following paragraph:

4.2.6 Annual Fuel Utilization

Efficiency. For manually controlled vented heaters, calculate the Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency (AFUE) as a percent and defined as:

$$AFUE = \eta_u$$

where:

η_u = as defined in section 4.2.5 of this appendix.

(iii) With the exception of the modification set forth above, Wolf Steel shall comply in all respects with the procedures specified in Appendix O of Title 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B.

This Interim Waiver is based upon the presumed validity of all statements and allegations submitted by the company.

This Interim Waiver may be revoked or modified at any time upon a determination that the factual basis underlying the Application is incorrect.

This Interim Waiver is effective on the date of issuance by the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. The Interim Waiver shall remain in effect for a period of 180 days or until DOE acts on the Petition for Waiver, whichever is sooner, and may be extended for an additional 180-day period, if necessary.

Wolf Steel's Petition for Waiver requests DOE to grant relief from the portion of DOE test procedure for vented home heating equipment that relates to measurement of energy consumption by the pilot light. Specifically, Wolf Steel seeks to exclude the pilot light energy consumption from the calculation of AFUE. Pursuant to paragraph (b) of Title 10 CFR Part 430.27, the Department is hereby publishing the "Petition for Waiver." in its entirety. The petition contains no confidential information. The Department solicits comments, data, and information respecting the Petition.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 27, 1997.

Christine A. Ervin,

Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

Tuesday, December 3, 1996

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Forrestal Building
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20585

Attention: Christine Ervin

Subject: Petition for Waiver to Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations 430.27

Dear Secretary Ervin: This is a Petition for Waiver from test procedures appearing in 10 CFR, part 430, subpart B Appendix O—Uniform Test Method for Measuring the Energy Consumption of Vented Home Heating Equipment. The sections for which this waiver is requested are detailed in section 3.5—Pilot Light Measurement; and section 4.2.6—Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency (A.F.U.E.). These sections require the measurement of energy input to the pilot light and the inclusion of this data in the calculation of A.F.U.E. for the appliance even when the pilot light is turned off and not consuming any energy.

We are requesting the Waiver for our appliance models: GD22, GD27, GD3200, GD3200B, GD40, GI3014B, GI3600, GS3500, GDS3700, GDS50, GS50, GDI50, and GD45.

The combination gas control valves used on these appliances can be manually turned off when the heater is not in use. In the "OFF" position, both the main burner and the pilot light are extinguished. When the gas control is set to the "ON" position, the main burner and the pilot light are operating. In acting on the waiver, the appliance Instruction Manual and a label adjacent to the gas control valve will require the user to

turn the gas control valve to the "OFF" position when the heater is not in use.

Requiring the inclusion of pilot energy input in the A.F.U.E. calculations does not allow for the additional energy savings realized when the pilot light is turned off. We request that the requirement of including the term involving the pilot energy consumption be waived from the A.F.U.E. calculation for our heaters noted above.

Waivers for deleting pilot energy consumption in A.F.U.E. calculations have previously been granted by U.S.D.o.E. to other manufacturers. We are requesting U.S.D.o.E. grant Wolf Steel Ltd. this same waiver.

Please contact us with any questions, comments, and requirements for additional information we can provide. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

John Kennedy,
Lab Technician.
Cliff Lilley,
Design Engineer.

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Office of Energy Research

Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee.

DATES: Monday, February 24, 1997—8:45 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Tuesday, February 25, 1997—8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Energy, Room A-410, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874-1290.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Patricia M. Dehmer, Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Energy, ER-10, GTN, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, Telephone: (301) 903-3081.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The Committee will provide advice and guidance with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda:

February 24, 1997

- Introduction of Committee Members and Guests.
- Overview of the Megascience Forum and Working Group on Neutrons.
- Overview of Research Activities in Energy Biosciences.
- Discussion on Basic Energy Sciences Highlights and Issues.

- Review and Approval of Synopsis of Panel Report on the Value of Basic Energy Sciences.
- Public Comment (10 minute rule).

February 25, 1997

- Overview of R&D Integration Activities.
- Report on Basic Energy Sciences Coordinating Committee Activities.
- Public Comment (10 minute rule).

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in her judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Patricia Dehmer at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation on the agenda.

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, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

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Rachel M. Samuel,
Acting Deputy Advisory Committee
Management Officer.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-200-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

January 27, 1997.

Take notice that on January 21, 1997, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), 500 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan, 48243 filed in Docket No. CP97-200-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon an transportation service with MAPCO Natural Gas Liquids, Inc. (MAPCO) which was authorized in Docket No. CP83-442-000, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

ANR proposes to abandon a best efforts transportation service with MAPCO of up to 4,500 Dekatherms per day for MAPCO. ANR states that by mutual agreement the parties have

agreed to terminate this service effective with the close of business November 30, 1996. ANR further states that no facilities are proposed to be abandoned.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make protest with reference to said application should on or before February 18, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest 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 Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for ANR to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket Nos. OA97-2-000, et al.]

Nevada Power Company, et al.; Notice of Filings Implementing Oasis Standards of Conduct

January 27, 1997.

Take notice that the entities shown on the Attachment submitted filings intended to comply with the requirement in Order No. 889 and 18 CFR 37.4(c) that they publicly maintain,