burning plasma physics charge and the other dealing with reviewing the theory activities.

Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, February 27, 2001

- Office of Science Perspective
- OFES Perspective
- Report on the Fusion Materials Program
- Report on the Workshop on Burning Plasma
- Status Report on the Activities of Burning Plasma Physics Subpanel
- Status Report on the Activities of Theory Program Review Subpanel

Wednesday, February 28, 2001

- Plans for the Compact Stellarator Program
- Report on NSF Physics Frontier Centers
- Public Comments
- Adjourn

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Albert L. Opdenaker at 301-903-8584 (fax) or albert.opdenaker@science.doe.gov (email). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: We will make the minutes of this meeting available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; IE–190; Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday,

Issued at Washington, DC, on February 1, 2001.

Carol Anne Kennedy,

except Federal holidays.

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science

High Energy Physics Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the High Energy Physics Advisory Panel (HEPAP). Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, March 26, 2001; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday, March 27, 2001; 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Boulevard, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Glen Crawford, Executive Secretary; High Energy Physics Advisory Panel; U.S. Department of Energy; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, Maryland 20874–1290; Telephone: 301–903–9458

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis with respect to the high energy physics research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

Monday, March 26, 2001, and Tuesday, March 27, 2001

- Discussion of Department of Energy High Energy Physics Programs
- Discussion of National Science Foundation Elementary Particle Physics Program
- Discussion of High Energy Physics University Programs
- Reports on and Discussion of U.S. Large Hadron Collider Activities
- Reports on and Discussions of Topics of General Interest in High Energy Physics
- Public Comment (10-minute rule)

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Panel, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of these items on the agenda, you should contact Glen Crawford, 301-903-9458 or Glen.Crawford@science.doe.gov (email). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Panel will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute

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Issued at Washington, DC on February 1, 2001.

Carol Anne Kennedy,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-70-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

February 1, 2001.

Take notice that Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), a Delaware Corporation, having its principal place of business at 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030– 0146, filed on January 23, 2001, an abbreviated application pursuant to sections 7(c) and 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to perform certain facility enhancements. Columbia states that it has agreed to provide firm transportation service for up to 140,000 Dth/d (40 MDth/d annually and an additional 100MDth/d from June 31 through August 31 annually) to Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corporation for redelivery to First Energy Trading Services, Inc., both wholly owned subsidiaries of First Energy Corp., all as more fully described in the application.

In this connection, Columbia requests NGA section 7(c) and 7(b) authorization for the following:

- Increase the MAOP of its entire Line L-2542 from 400 psig to 630 psig and a portion of its Line V from 500 psig to 550 psig and to operate the pipelines at the higher pressures. The location of this portion of the project is Wayne, Lucas, and Holmes Counties, Ohio.
- Construct two 4,500 hp electric driven compressor units, a building and appurtenances at its existing Wellington Compressor Station located in Lorain County, Ohio.
- Abandon by replacement seven existing compressor units with a combined horsepower of 4,320, four existing gas coolers, an existing building and appurtenances at Wellington Compressor Station.

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 February 22, 2001 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.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. 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.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on non-

environmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

Comments and protests 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 at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

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.

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

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-215-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company: Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

February 1, 2001.

Take notice that on January 29, 2001, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1–A, the following tariff sheet, with an effective date of March 1, 2001:

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 118

El Paso states that the tariff sheet is being filed to transfer the Billing Determinants associated with Cyprus Miami Mining Corporation and Cyprus Christmas Mine Corporation to Phelps Dodge Corporation. The tendered tariff sheet is proposed to become effective March 1, 2001.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.24 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests 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 at http:// /www/ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. GT01-9-000]

Kern River Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff and Filing of Non-Conforming Amendment to Service Agreement

February 1, 2001.

Take notice that on January 26, 2001, Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River) tendered for filing and acceptance a non-conforming amendment to a service agreement. Kern River also tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to be effective February 26, 2001:

Sheet Nos. 427–489 (reserved) First Revised Sheet No. 490

Kern River states that the purpose of this filing is to submit a transportation service agreement amendment between Union Pacific Resources Company and