

efforts to date have been less comprehensive and effective than the matter merits.

The Board further believes that DOE's upgrades of ventilation systems could well serve as a model for implementing similar programs for other vital safety systems that may be needed in defense nuclear facilities.

The Board believes this matter requires additional DOE attention. More explicitly, the Board recommends for your consideration an action plan structured to address the elements set forth in the enclosed Recommendation 2000-2, Configuration Management, Vital Safety Systems.

The Board's recommendation is directed explicitly at systems for ensuring nuclear safety. This is in keeping with the Board's enabling legislation. However, the concepts advocated could be applied to good advantage to systems designed for safety management of hazardous material and processes of non-nuclear nature as well. In the spirit of Integrated Safety Management (ISM) to which DOE is committed, DOE is encouraged to do so.

Recommendation 2000-2, Configuration Management, Vital Safety Systems, was unanimously approved by the Board, and is submitted to you pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2286a(a)(5), which requires the Board, after receipt by you, to promptly make this recommendation available to the public. The Board believes the recommendation contains no information which is classified or otherwise restricted. To the extent this recommendation does not include information restricted by the Department of Energy under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2161-68, as amended, please arrange to have this recommendation promptly placed on file in your regional public reading rooms.

The Board will publish this recommendation in the **Federal Register**.

Sincerely,

John T. Conway,
Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Advisory Board; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Advisory Board. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. Law No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, April 13, 2000 and Friday, April 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, (Room 1E-245), Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James T. Melillo, Executive Director of the Environmental Management Advisory Board, (EM-10), 1000 Independence Avenue SW, (Room 5B-161), Washington, DC 20585. The telephone number is 202-586-4400. The Internet address is james.melillo@em.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To provide the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management (EM) with advice and recommendations on issues confronting the Environmental Management Program from the perspective of affected groups, as well as state, local, and tribal governments. The Board will contribute to the effective operation of the Environmental Management Program by providing individual citizens and representatives of interested groups an opportunity to present their views on issues facing the Office of Environmental Management and by helping to secure consensus recommendations on those issues.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Public Meeting Opens (1:00 P.M.)

—Approve Minutes of September 22-23, 1999 Meeting

Opening Remarks

Budget Update

Worker Health & Safety Committee Report

—Integrated Safety Management Implementation*

—Environment, Safety and Health in Technology Development*

Contracting and Management Committee Report

—Shared Savings*

—Project Management*

Long-Term Stewardship Committee Report

—Institutional Controls*

—Next Steps for Stewardship

Technology Development & Transfer

Committee Report

—Environmental Management Science & Technology Performance Measures*

Science Committee Report

Integration and Transportation Committee Report

Public Comment Period and Adjournment (5:15 P.M.)

Friday, April 14, 2000

Opening Remarks (8:30 A.M.)

Board Discussion

Public Comment Period

Board Business

—Votes on EMAB Findings & Resolutions

—New Business

—Set Date for Next Board Meeting (October 2000)

Public Comment Period

Meeting Adjourns (12:00 P.M.)

*The Board anticipates recommendations to be presented on this topic.

Public Participation: This meeting is open to the public. If you would like to

file a written statement with the Board, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make an oral statement regarding any of the items on the agenda, please contact Mr. Melillo at the address or telephone number listed above, or call the Environmental Management Advisory Board office at 202-586-4400, and we will reserve time for you on the agenda. You may also register to speak at the meeting on April 13-14, 2000, or ask to speak during the public comment period. Those who call in and or register in advance will be given the opportunity to speak first. Others will be accommodated as time permits. The Board Chairs will conduct the meeting in an orderly manner.

Transcript and Minutes: We will make the minutes of the meeting available for public review and copying by approximately May 13, 2000. The minutes and transcript of the meeting will be available for viewing on the Internet at <http://www.em.doe.gov/emab/products.html> and at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room (1E-190) in the Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585. The Room is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. except on Federal holidays.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on March 10, 2000.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

International Energy Agency Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will meet on March 23, 2000, at the headquarters of the IEA in Paris, France in connection with a meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Samuel M. Bradley, Assistant General Counsel for International and National Security Programs, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, 202-586-6738.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with section 252(c)(1)(A)(i) of the Energy Policy and Conservation

Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(i)) (EPCA), the following notice of meeting is provided:

A meeting of the Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will be held at the headquarters of the IEA, 9, rue de la Federation, Paris, France, on March 23, 2000, beginning at approximately 8:45 a.m. The purpose of this notice is to permit attendance by representatives of U.S. company members of the IAB at a meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ), which is scheduled to be held at the IEA on March 23, including a preparatory encounter among company representatives from approximately 8:45 a.m. to 9 a.m.

The Agenda for the preparatory encounter among company representatives is to elicit views regarding items on the SEQ's Agenda. The Agenda for the SEQ meeting is under the control of the SEQ. It is expected that the SEQ will adopt the following Agenda:

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Summary Record of the 97th Meeting
3. SEQ Work Program
 - The Year 2000 Work Program of the SEQ
 - The Year 2001 Work Program of the SEQ
4. Special Session on Tanker Market Developments and Oil Security Issues
5. Policy and Legislative Developments in Member Countries
 - Recent Developments in the EPCA
 - Developments in other IEA Countries
6. Follow-up to the Seminar on Oil Stock Strategy and the Disruption Simulation Exercise
7. Emergency Response Reviews
 - Review of Poland
 - Publication: The Emergency Response Potential of IEA Countries in 2000
 - Draft Report to the Governing Board on the Completed Emergency Response Review Cycle
 - Schedule of Reviews
8. Report on IEA'S Y2K Response Activities
9. Current IAB Activities
10. Report to the SEQ by the Working Group on Petroleum Coke
11. Emergency Reserve Issues
 - Emergency Reserve and Net Import Situation of IEA Countries on October 1, 1999
 - Emergency Reserve and Net Import Situation of IEA Countries on January 1, 2000
 - Draft Report to the Governing Board
 - Emergency Reserve Situation of IEA Candidate Countries
 - Unavailable Stocks
12. Emergency Data System and Related Questions
 - Monthly Oil Statistics October 1999
 - Monthly Oil Statistics November 1999
 - Monthly Oil Statistics December 1999
 - Base Period Final Consumption Q498/Q399

- Base Period Final Consumption Q199/Q499
- Quarterly Oil Forecast—Current Quarter Q12000
- 13. Emergency Reference Guide
 - Update of Emergency Contact Points List
- 14. Other Business
 - IEA/ASCOPE Seminar on Oil Security Issues
 - Dates of September and November Meetings
 - Website version of Emergency Response Guide

As provided in section 252(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(ii)), this meeting is open only to representatives of members of the IAB and their counsel, representatives of members of the SEQ, representatives of the Departments of Energy, Justice, and State, the Federal Trade Commission, the General Accounting Office, Committees of Congress, the IEA, and the European Commission, and invitees of the IAB, the SEQ, or the IEA.

Issued in Washington, D.C., March 10, 2000.

Mary Anne Sullivan,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. 00-10-NG]

Office of Fossil Energy; RDO Foods Co.; Order Granting Long-Term Authorization To Import Natural Gas From Canada

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of order.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice that it issued an Order granting RDO Foods Co. (RDO) authorization to import up to 1,423 Mcf of natural gas per day from Canada and gas required for pipeline transportation from April 1, 2000, through October 31, 2008. RDO is the owner and operator of a food processing plant in North Dakota. The natural gas will be imported near Noyes, Minnesota, under a supply arrangement between RDO and ProGas Limited.

The Order may be found on the FE web site at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>, or on our electronic bulletin board at (202) 586-7853. It is also available for inspection and copying in the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities Docket Room, 3E-033, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0334, (202) 586-9478. The Docket Room

is open between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued in Washington, D.C., March 9, 2000.

John W. Glynn,

Manager, Natural Gas Regulation, Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, Office of Fossil Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Regarding Bonneville Power Administration's Subscription Power Sales to Customers and Customer's Sales of Firm Resources

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), DOE.

ACTION: Notice of final policy.

SUMMARY: BPA is publishing a final policy regarding the amount of Federal power a customer may purchase under a BPA subscription power sales contract under sections 5(b) and 9(c) of the Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act, (the Northwest Power Act), P.L. 96-501, and section 3(d) of the Act of August 31, 1964, (the Northwest Preference Act), P.L. 88-552. This final policy modifies BPA's 1994 Non-Federal Participation Capacity Ownership Contracts and Section 9(c) Policy. See Section IV.B, Modifications to 1994 Non-Federal Participation Capacity Ownership Contracts and Section 9(c) Policy.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This policy is effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Michael Hansen, Public Involvement and Information Specialist, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon 97208-3621, telephone (503) 230-4328 or 1-800-622-4519.

Information can also be obtained from your BPA Account Executive or from:

- Mr. Allen Burns, Vice President, Requirements Marketing, 905 N.E. 11th, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, OR 97208, telephone (503) 230-7640
- Mr. Rick Itami, Manager, Eastern Power Business Area, 707 W. Main Street, Suite 500, Spokane, WA 99201, telephone (509) 358-7410
- Mr. John Elizalde, Manager, Western Power Business Area, 905 N.E. 11th, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, OR 97232, telephone (503) 230-5371
- Mr. Steve Oliver, Vice President, Bulk Marketing and Transmission Services,