### How Do I Request to Present Comments Regarding General Issues Rather Than Specific Accrediting Agencies?

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Committee, at its discretion, may invite attendees to address the Committee briefly on issues pertaining to the functions of the Committee, which are listed earlier in this notice. If you are interested in making such comments, you should inform Ms. LeBold before the meeting.

# How May I Obtain Access to the Records of the Meeting?

We will record the meeting and make a transcript available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K St. NW, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 219–7009, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. It is preferred that an appointment be made in advance of such inspection.

### What Agencies Will Be Postponed for Review until the December 2000 Meeting?

The agencies listed below, which were originally scheduled for review during the Committee's May 2000 meeting, will be postponed for review until the Committee's December 2000 meeting. Any third-party written comments regarding these agencies that were received by March 3, 2000, in accordance with the Federal Register notice published on January 18, 2000, will become part of the official record and will be considered by the Committee in its deliberations at the December 2000 meeting. There will be another opportunity to provide written comments on these agencies this summer; a Federal Register notice requesting comments on all agencies scheduled for review at the December 2000 meeting will be published in June or July 2000.

# Nationally Recognized Accrediting Agencies

Petition for Initial Recognition

1. Midwifery Education Accreditation Commission.

Petitions for Renewal of Recognition

- American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education.
- 2. American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar.
- 3. Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

- 4. Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration.
- 5. American Osteopathic Association, Bureau of Professional Education.
- 6. American Podiatric Medical Association, Council on Podiatric Medical Education.
- 7. National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.
  - 8. New York State Board of Regents.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

Dated: March 29, 2000.

#### A. Lee Fritschler.

Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Rocky Flats Field Office; Notice of Intent To Solicit Competitive Applications/Proposals for Financial Assistance

**AGENCY:** Rocky Flats Field Office, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to solicit competitive applications/proposals for financial assistance.

**SUMMARY:** The Rocky Flats Field Office (RFFO) of the Department of Energy is entrusted to contribute to the welfare of the nation by providing the scientific foundation, technology, policy and institutional leadership necessary to achieve efficiency in energy use, diversity in energy sources, a more productive and competitive economy, improved environmental quality, and a secure national defense. RFFO intends to fund a series of grants in special emphasis programs to encourage programs to train Native Americans, African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian-Pacific Americans, Women and Disabled Students to pursue training in the fields of sciences and engineering; and to fund local community projects contributing to diversity-related programs.

**DATES:** Applications may be submitted at any time on or before May 4, 2000. Applications received within 30 days from the date of this announcement, will be considered; applications received after that date may or may not be considered depending on the status of proposal review and selection.

ADDRESSES: Department of Energy, Rocky Flats Field Office, Contracts Management Division, 10808 Highway 93, Unit A, Golden, Colorado 80403– 8200.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elaine Nix, Department of Energy Rocky Flats Field Office, 10808 Highway 93, Unit A, Golden, Colorado 80403–8200, (303) 966–2054, for application forms and additional information. Completed applications or proposals must be sent to the addresses heading.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE RFFO is under no obligation to pay for any costs associated with the preparation or submission of applications/proposals if an award is not made. If an award is made, such costs may be allowable as provided in the applicable cost principles.

### **Availability Of Fiscal Year 1999 Funds**

With this publication; DOE RFFO is announcing the availability of up to \$300,000 in grant funds for fiscal year 2000. RFFO anticipates that four or less grants will be made for a total not to exceed \$300,000. The awards will be made through a competitive process. Projects may cover a period of up to 5 years funding for out-years is dependent on appropriation from Congress. Length of awards may vary by applicant.

### **Restricted Eligibility**

Eligible applicants for the purposes of funding under this notice include organizations and institutions residing in Colorado proposing to implement minority science and engineering projects in Colorado as described in the summary section of this announcement. Applicants are encouraged to propose project cost-sharing or sharing of inkind services or resources. The awards will be made through a competitive process to organizations and institutions located in the State of Colorado. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number assigned to this program is 81.116.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

All responsive Applications will be reviewed by a panel composed of Department of Energy RFFO representatives. Successful proposal(s) will be selected on the opinion of panel members of proposals most able to meet the objectives best able to meet the needs of this office.

Proposals must demonstrate and will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- 1. Implementation plan demonstrates experience, qualifications, capabilities, and resources necessary to successfully accomplish the proposed activities. (25%)
- 2. Exhibits sound administrative and financial management practices. (25%)

- Ability and willingness to perform all administrative requirements of the grant.
- The relationship between direct and indirect costs, and other financial aspects of the proposed grant, demonstrates sound financial practices.
  - Cost effectiveness of projects.
- 3. Relationship of the proposed project to the objectives of the solicitation. (25%)
- 4. Qualifications of key personnel. (10%)
- Adequacy of availability and level of expertise of proposed personnel resources.
- Level of expertise of key personnel as demonstrated in resumes containing relevant education, training, and experience (resumes should include relevant project work previously conducted by individuals of the team).
- 5. Successful past performance of similar projects. (15%)
- Proposals lacking records of relevant past performance will receive a neutral score.

DOE RFFO hereby reserves the right to fund, in part or whole, any, all, or none of the proposals submitted in response to this request. All applicants will be notified in writing of the action taken on their applications. Applicants should allow approximately 90 days for DOE evaluation. The status of any application during the evaluation and selection process will not be discussed with applicants. Unsuccessful applications will not be returned to the applicant.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on March 15, 2000.

#### Hugh G. Miller,

Contracting Officer.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Resolution Commission

[Docket No. GP94-2-009]

### Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Refund Report

March 29, 2000.

Take notice that on March 21, 2000, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) its Refund Report made to comply with the April 17, 1995 Settlement (Settlement) in Docket No. GP94–02, et al., as approved by the Commission on June 15, 1995 (Columbia Gas Transmission Corp., 71 FERC ¶ 61,337 (1995)).

Columbia states that on February 21, 2000 Columbia made refunds, as billing credits, in the amount of \$309,789.90. The refunds represent deferred tax refunds received from Trailblazer Pipeline Company and Overthrust Pipeline Company. These refunds were made pursuant to Article VIII, Section E of the Settlement using the allocation percentage shown on Appendix G, Schedule 5 of the Settlement. The refunds include interest at the FERC rate, in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart F, Section 154.501(d).

Columbia states that copies of its filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before April 5, 2000. 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 proceeding. 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).

#### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP94-72-012]

### Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 29, 2000.

Take notice that on March 24, 2000, Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. (Iroquois, tendered for filing the following revised tariff sheets to its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, with a proposed effective date of March 24, 2000.

Twenty-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 4 Original Sheet No. 4A Ninth Revised Sheet No. 5 Fourth Revised Sheet No. 14 Fourth Revised Sheet No. 15 Fourth Revised Sheet No. 29 Fifth Revised Sheet No. 30 Second Revised Sheet No. 75B Third Revised Sheet No. 75C

Iroquois asserts that the filing is in compliance with the Commission's order issued in the captioned proceedings on February 10, 2000, approving an offer of settlement which was filed on December 17, 1999.

Iroquois states that copies of its filing were served on all jurisdictional customers, interested state commissions and all parties in Docket Nos. RP94–72, FA92–59 and RP97–126.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in 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. 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).

### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-108-000]

## Questar Pipeline Company; Notice of Technical Conference

March 29, 2000.

In the Commission's order issued on March 20, 2000, the Commission directed that a technical conference be held to address issues raised by the filing.

Take notice that the technical conference will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2000, at 10:00 am, in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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