UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

NEW ADR PROCEDURES FOR INITIAL PREHEARING CONFERENCES

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At all future initial prehearing conferences the presiding judge will, at some point, advise the parties of available ADR procedures and take a recess in order that the parties and the Commission trial staff can explore privately and off-the-record, the desirability of using one of the ADR procedures in the case.

All parties must be prepared to discuss the desirability of ADR procedures in the proceeding and the various types available.

Curtis L. Wagner, Jr. Chief Administrative Law Judge