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Secretary.

Conference Agenda

Hilton New York, 1335 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, June 3, 2004.

I. Opening Remarks and Introductions

9 a.m. to 9:10 a.m.

Chairman Pat Wood III, Commissioner Nora Brownell, Commissioner Joseph Kelliher, Commissioner Suedeen Kelly.

II. Broad Overview of Current Energy Infrastructure in the Northeast

9:10 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.

- Jeff Wright, Office of Energy Projects, FERC.

III. Forecasting Future Energy Infrastructure Needs in the Northeast

9:20 a.m. to 9:40 a.m.

- Edward Krapels, Ph.D., Director, Energy Development Services, Energy Security Analysis, Inc.

IV. New York City

9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

—FERC Staff Introduction and Overview of the Panel Issues.

As demand grows, there will be a need for new capacity—gas and electric—later in this decade. This panel would suggest solutions that allow infrastructure projects to be approved and constructed in a timely fashion before capacity constraints cause loss of service in this high-growth area.

- Gil Quiniones, Chairman, New York City Energy Policy Task Force.
- William Flynn, Chairman, New York Public Service Commission.
- Eugene McGrath, Chief Executive Officer, Consolidated Edison Energy.
- Glenn Kettering, President, NiSource Pipeline Company.
- William Museler, President and Chief Executive Officer, New York ISO.
- Steve Zelkowitz, President, Energy Assets and Supplies, KeySpan.
- Charlie Fox, Deputy Chief of Staff, New York Governor George Pataki.
- Steven Greenwald, Managing Director, Global Project Finance, Credit Suisse First Boston.
- Frank Cassidy, President and Chief Executive Officer, PSEG Power LLC.

V. Lunch

11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

VI. New England

1:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

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There are gas transmission constraints in New England from all geographic directions, effectively isolating the region and calling for more pipeline capacity or reliance on Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) import terminals, which often face local opposition. Further, New England has seen considerable construction of gas-fired electric generation

without a corresponding addition of electric transmission capacity to get this energy to markets. This panel would address these mounting infrastructure problems and seek to identify what can be done to coordinate efforts for expeditious consideration and construction of much needed projects.

- Robert Keating, Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy.
- Beth Nagusky, Director of Energy Independence and Security, Maine Governor's Task Force on LNG.
- Paul Vaitkus, Vice President, NSTAR.
- Gordon van Welie, President and Chief Executive Officer, ISO New England.
- Dennis Welch, Chairman, Northeast Gas Association.
- Richard Grant, President and Chief Executive Officer, Tractebel.
- Linda Kelly, Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control.
- Financial Analyst (invited).
- Steven Corneli, Director of Regulatory Affairs, NRG Energy, Inc.

VII. Regional Supply and Transport Availability

2:50 p.m. to 4:20 p.m.

—FERC Staff Introduction and Overview of the Panel Issues.

Availability of sufficient natural gas supplies to the Northeast appears to be in decline. At the same time, gas transmission capacity from outside the region is also at a premium, especially when considering the amount of gas-fired electric generation. In addition, there are capacity constraints at many points in the region's electric transmission grid (*e.g.*, SW. Connecticut). Attempts to provide supply solutions have often been thwarted. This all translates into a supply crunch. Efforts must be made to get new supplies of energy not only into the region, but between subregions.

- Steve Whitley, Senior Vice President, ISO New England.
- John McCarthy, Business Leader of Commodities, National Energy Board (NEB), Canada.
- Jeff Scott, Chief Operating Officer, NE Transmission, National Grid.
- Rich Bolbrock, Vice President of Power Markets, Long Island Power Authority (LIPA).
- Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) Representative (invited).
- Yves Fillion, President, Hydro-Québec TransÉnergie.
- Gregory Rizzo, Group Vice President, Duke Energy Gas Transmission.
- Hal Kvisle, President and Chief Executive Officer, TransCanada.
- Dave Boguslawski, Vice President of Transmission, Northeast Utilities.

VIII. Discussion by Conference Registrants

4:25 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Closing Remarks.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Meeting, Notice of Vote, Explanation of Action Closing Meeting and List of Persons To Attend

May 19, 2004.

The following notice of meeting is published pursuant to section 3(a) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. 94–409), 5 U.S.C. 552b:

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

DATE AND TIME: May 26, 2004, 2 p.m.

PLACE: Room 3M 4A/B, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Non-Public Investigations and Inquiries, Enforcement Related Matters, and Security of Regulated Facilities.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, telephone (202) 502–8400.

Chairman Wood and Commissioners Brownell, Kelliher, and Kelly voted to hold a closed meeting on May 26, 2004. The certification of the General Counsel explaining the action closing the meeting is available for public inspection in the Commission's Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Chairman and the Commissioners, their assistants, the Commission's Secretary and her assistant, the General Counsel and members of her staff, and a stenographer are expected to attend the meeting. Other staff members from the Commission's program offices who will advise the Commissioners in the matters discussed will also be present.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM93–11–000]

Revisions to Oil Pipeline Regulations Pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 1992; Notice of Annual Change in the Producer Price Index for Finished Goods

May 14, 2004.

The Commission's regulations include a methodology for oil pipelines to change their rates through use of an