

On January 31, 2012, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (DOE OE) hosted the Smart Grid Privacy Workshop¹ to facilitate a dialog among key industry stakeholders. On February 23, 2012, the White House released the report, *Consumer Data Privacy in a Networked World: A Framework for Protecting Privacy and Promoting Innovation in the Global Digital Economy*² (Privacy Blueprint). The Privacy Blueprint outlines a multi-stakeholder process for developing voluntary codes of conduct that, if adopted by businesses, would instill consumer confidence. In response to workshop findings and in support of the Privacy Blueprint, DOE OE and the Federal Smart Grid Task Force will facilitate a multistakeholder process to develop a Voluntary Code of Conduct (VCC) for utilities and third parties providing consumer energy use services. The goal of the process is to develop a common set of practices that will provide privacy protections for consumers with regard to access, use, and sharing of electricity usage and related data and will provide regulators and decision makers with a resource for evaluating potential privacy regulations and practices.

Matters to be considered: The meeting on February 26, 2013 will be the first in a series of DOE-convened multi-stakeholder discussions concerning the development of a VCC and will engage stakeholders in an open, transparent process. The objectives of the meeting are to (1) promote discussion among stakeholders regarding a proposed VCC outline, including the types of data to be covered and (2) establish procedural rules for developing the VCC. Additional information can be found at www.smartgrid.gov/privacy.

Audience: Stakeholders who may be interested in participating include—but are not limited to—utilities, consumer advocates, regulators, third party providers, building energy managers, academics, and home energy auditors.

Other Information: The meeting is open to the public and the press. Attendees should arrive at least one-half hour prior to the start of the meeting to facilitate entry to the FERC building. Participants will be required to show valid, government-issued photo identification upon arrival. Foreign nationals must contact Eric Lightner at

(202) 586–8130 or eric.lightner@hq.doe.gov at least seven (7) business days prior to the meeting in order to provide the necessary clearance information and must present valid, government-issued photo identification upon arrival. This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Lightner at (202) 586–8130 or eric.lightner@hq.doe.gov at least seven (7) business days prior to the meeting.

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Patricia A. Hoffman,
Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Prior Notice of Activity Under Blanket Certificate

On January 24, 2013, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an application under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's regulations for authorization to abandon facilities at its Boone Mountain Storage Field located in Elk County, Pennsylvania. National Fuel seeks authority to plug and abandon Well 4940 and to abandon the associated well line F–W4940. Well 4940 has not contributed to storage field deliverability since 2005, so the abandonment will not affect overall storage field performance.

Questions regarding this application may be directed to David W. Reitz, Deputy General Counsel, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221, or by calling 716–857–7949.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be

authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such motions or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant, on or before the comment date. It is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the “eFiling” link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and seven copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the “eLibrary” link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an “eSubscription” link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on April 2, 2013.

Dated: February 1, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–60, FERC–61, & FERC–555A); Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

¹ DOE Smart Grid Data Privacy Workshop Report is available at http://www.smartgrid.gov/document/us_department_energy_smart_grid_privacy_workshop_summary_report.

² Privacy Blueprint is available at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/privacyfinal.pdf>.