

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

Conference on Energy Infrastructure

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NOTICE OF CONFERENCE

(June 2, 2003)

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) will hold a conference on energy infrastructure issues in the western states on Wednesday, July 30, 2003 at the Marriott Denver City Center, 1701 California Street, Denver, Colorado.

The conference is for the purpose of discussing the adequacy of the electric, gas, and hydropower infrastructure in the West. This region includes Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and New Mexico. In addition to expert panelists, the Governors, tribal delegates, state utility commissioners, other elected officials of the western states and international representatives from neighboring countries Canada and Mexico are being invited to participate. The goal is to identify the current state of infrastructure in the West, present and future infrastructure needs, and the means and barriers to fulfilling those needs. We look forward to an informative discussion of the issues to clarify how we can facilitate and enhance a comprehensive collaborative approach to energy infrastructure development for the western states. It is our firm belief that an adequate, well-functioning energy infrastructure is necessary to realize workable, competitive markets.

The meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. (to immediately follow the Board of Directors' meeting of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners) and conclude at 6:00 p.m. All interested parties are invited to attend. Hotel rooms have been blocked at the Marriott under the code "FERC" for any attending guests to reserve a one- or two-night stay but will be released by Tuesday, July 8, 2003. You can still reserve a room after that date, but on a room- and rate-availability basis. Reservations can be made by calling 303-297-1300 or 1-800-228-9290.

To attend, please register online on the Commission web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/home/conferences.asp>. Scroll down and click on "Western Energy Infrastructure Conference in Denver, CO". There is no registration fee. We will issue further details on the conference, including the agenda and a list of participants, as plans evolve. For additional information, please contact Carol Connors in the Office of External Affairs at carol.connors@ferc.gov.

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