D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2389]

Edwards Manufacturing Company, City of Augusta, Maine; Notice of Meeting

June 10, 1998.

A technical conference will be held on June 30, 1998, to discuss removal of Edwards Dam. The process and schedule for dam removal will be defined and any additional studies identified.

The conference will be held at the Civic Center in Augusta, Maine on June 30, 1998, at 9:00 am. Any recommendations for technical items to be included on the conference agenda should be filed with the Commission by June 26, 1998, and copies provided to all parties.

Items may be filed to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DLC, HL–11.2, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

The Offer of Settlement filed with the Commission on May 28, 1998, proposes an ambitious schedule. Frequent technical interaction with Commission staff would be essential to meet that schedule. To help expedite this process, the possibility of waiving the Commission's ex parte requirements will be discussed among the parties at the technical conference.

Any questions, please contact Mr. John Schnagl at (202) 219–2661.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: June 8, 1998 63 FR 31212.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF MEETING: June 10, 1998 10:00 a.m.

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: The following Docket Number and Company has been added on the Agenda scheduled for the June 10, 1998 meeting.

Item No.	Docket No. and company
CAE–17	ER98–852–000, The Washington Water Power Company

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Hearings and Appeals

Notice of Issuance of Decisions and Orders; Week of February 16 Through February 20, 1998

During the week of February 16 through February 20, 1998, the decisions and orders summarized below were issued with respect to appeals, applications, petitions, or other requests filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy. The following summary also contains a list of submissions that were dismissed by the Office of Hearings and Appeals.

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Dated: June 4, 1998.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Decision List No. 73: Week of February 16 Through February 20, 1998

Appeals

Diane C. Larson, 2/17/98, VFA–0367

Diane C. Larson perfected an Appeal under the Privacy Act. The Appellant requested that OHA review a determination issued by the Office of Energy Intelligence to ascertain whether an adequate search had been conducted for documents responsive to the Appellant's Privacy Act request. The Appellant also asked that OHA order the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to expedite the issuance of a determination. OHA denied this Appeal because it found that the search conducted by the staff of the Office of Energy Intelligence was adequate, and that OHA lacked jurisdiction to review the processing of Appellant's Privacy Act request by the OIG.

FOIA Group, Inc., 2/18/98, VFA–0369

FOIA Group, Inc. filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Appeal requesting that the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy (DOE) order the release of information withheld pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4). Specifically, a DOE facility released a copy of a contract, but deleted certain information. In considering the Appeal, the DOE determined that most of the withheld information, specifically, annual prices, pricing and delivery terms, annual demand amounts of power Bonneville Power Administration would supply, and total revenue amounts, was commercial information within the meaning of Exemption 4. Thus, the DOE facility properly withheld this information. However, the DOE found that the DOE facility should release some withheld information, specifically, topic headings. Accordingly, the DOE remanded FOIA Group, Inc.'s Appeal to the Bonneville Power Administration.

Ruth Towle Murphy, 2/20/98, *VFA–0371*

Ruth Towle Murphy (Murphy) filed an Appeal from a determination issued to her by the Manager of the Oak Ridge Operations Office (Manager) of the

Department of Energy (DOE). In her Appeal, Murphy asserted that the Manager improperly withheld, pursuant to Exemption 4, financial information from documents relating to contracts between Science Applications International Corporation and the DOE regarding the Office of Scientific and Technical Information. After reviewing the withheld information, the DOE determined that the information was properly withheld pursuant to Exemption 4. Consequently, Murphy's Appeal was denied.

Personnel Security Hearings

Personnel Security Hearing, 2/19/98 VSO–0173

A Hearing Officer from the Office of Hearings and Appeals issued an Opinion regarding the eligibility of an individual for access authorization under the provisions of 10 C.F.R. Part 710. After considering the record, Hearing Officer found that the DOE had presented sufficient evidence to show that the individual had used cocaine on five occasions and that he used cocaine despite having signed a Drug Certification and knowing of the DOE and his employer's policies barring illegal drug use. The Hearing Officer also found that the individual had not presented sufficient evidence to mitigate the security concerns raised by his conduct. Accordingly, the Hearing Officer recommended that the individual's access authorization should not be restored.

Personnel Security Hearing, 2/19/98 VSO–0184

A Hearing Officer found that the concern raised by an individual's illness or mental condition remained unresolved. Accordingly, the Hearing Officer recommended in the Opinion that the individual's access authorization not be restored.

Refund Applications

The Office of Hearings and Appeals issued the following Decisions and Orders concerning refund applications, which are not summarized. Copies of the full texts of the Decisions and Orders are available in the Public Reference Room of the Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Delta Asphalt Paving Co	RF272–55648	2/18/98
Delta Asphalt Paving Co	RD272–55648	.....
Hancock Service Company	RG272–179	2/18/98
Adams FS, Inc	RG272–180	.....
LaFarge Corporation	RK272–4765	2/19/98
LaFarge Corporation	RK272–4766	.....
Neal Tyler & Sons, Inc	RK272–4724	2/19/98
Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners	RK272–4733	.....

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Hearings and Appeals

Notice of Issuance of Decisions and Orders; Week of February 23 Through February 27, 1998

During the week of February 23 through February 27, 1998, the decisions and orders summarized below were issued with respect to appeals, applications, petitions, or other requests filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy. The following summary also contains a list of submissions that were dismissed by the Office of Hearings and Appeals.

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Dated: June 4, 1998.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Decision List No. 74: Week of February 23 Through February 27, 1998

Appeals

INEEL Research Bureau, 2/26/98, VFA–0373

DOE granted an appeal of determination in response to a request for an index of classified documents. OHA found that the DOE's Idaho Operations Office (DOE/ID) did not release indices that were responsive to a broadly worded request submitted by the appellant. The matter was therefore remanded to DOE/ID.

Sandra M. Hart, 2/27/98, VFA–0372

The DOE's Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) issued a decision granting in part a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Appeal filed by Sandra M. Hart. Hart sought the release of three portion of an EEO complaint filed by a third party that were withheld to by the DOE's Idaho Operations Office (Idaho). In its decision, OHA found that Idaho's withholding of this information was appropriate under FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C) and 7(A). Accordingly, the Appeal was denied.

Personnel Security Hearing

Personnel Security Hearing, 2/24/98, VSO–0176

A Hearing Officer found that an individual had not successfully mitigated security concerns arising from her severe depression and use of controlled substances without a prescription. Accordingly, the Hearing Officer recommended that the individual's access authorization not be restored.

Request for Exception

Public Service Electric and Gas (New Jersey), 2/24/98, VEE–0044

The Public Service Electric and Gas of New Jersey (PSE&G) filed a request for confidential treatment of certain data that the firm submits to the Energy Information Administration (EIA) in connection with EIA's survey and monitoring of domestic electric power production. The PSE&G request was based upon the increasingly competitive nature of the market for electric power, and the argument that in the hands of its competitors, the data would allow competitors to know PSE&G's marginal cost of electrical power production, to the detriment of the firm. In view of the broad implications of the PSE&G argument, the Office of Hearings and Appeals negotiated an agreement under which EIA (1) would not generally release the data in question for any reporting electric utility, and (2) would issue a **Federal Register** notice soliciting comments from the industry and the public on confidentiality associated with the EIA electric surveys in order to re-evaluate EIA's data disclosure policy in this area. The EIA commenced the processes to which it agreed and, on