

and children of employees of U.S. corporations and foundations abroad.

This meeting will deal with issues related to the work and the support provided by the Overseas Schools Advisory Council to the American-sponsored overseas schools.

Members of the general public may attend the meeting and join in the discussion, subject to the instructions of the Chairman. Admittance of public members will be limited to the seating available. Access to the State Department is controlled and individual building passes are required for each attendee. Persons who plan to attend should so advise the office of Dr. Ernest N. Mannino, Department of State, Office of Overseas Schools, SA-29, room 245, Washington, DC 20522-2902, telephone 703-875-7800, prior to May 31, 1996. Visitors will be asked to provide their date of birth and Social Security number at the time they register their intention to attend and must carry a valid photo ID with them to the meeting. All attendees must use the C Street entrance to the building.

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Ernest N. Mannino,
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Advisory Council.*

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**Advisory Committee on Private
International Law; Meeting of Study
Group on Electronic Commerce**

The Study Group on Electronic Commerce will hold its next meeting from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21 in Washington, DC at the International Law Institute. The meeting will review proposed general rules on use of computer and related electronic messaging in international commercial transactions, which are expected to be finalized at the upcoming Plenary session of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) in June, and to discuss U.S. positions as to future work on electronic commerce which will also be considered at that session.

The meeting of the Advisory Committee Study group is open to the public, and members of the public who cannot attend are welcome to comment on the proposed rules for electronic commerce and the future work program. The proposed rules are currently in the form of a model national law. The principal background documents, which are available from the Office of the Legal Adviser at the address indicated below,

include (1) the report by UNCITRAL on its 28th plenary session held in May 1995, which considered and revised certain of the proposed rules, UN Doc. A/50/Supp. 17; (2) The report of the UNCITRAL Working Group on Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), which met during February-March, 1996, and which considered new draft rules on transport documents, primarily electronic maritime bills of lading, as well as proposals for future work, UN Doc. A/CN.9/421; and (3) a draft "guide to enactment" of the UNCITRAL model law, UN Doc. A/CN.9/426, April 1996, which will also be considered by the Commission at the June plenary session.

The proposed rules will apply to commercial activities, and will include *inter alia* legal recognition of data messages; electronic equivalents of "writing", "signature", and "original"; admissibility and evidential weight; obligation to retain; attribution; acknowledgement; time and place of dispatch and receipt; formation and validity of contracts; electronic maritime bills of lading, and other matters. The rules will not apply to consumer transactions.

The March 1996 Working Group recommended that future work include digital signatures, electronic registries and consideration of rules applicable to information service providers. U.S. positions on those recommendations will be considered at the May 21st Study Group meeting; recommendations for alternate future work topics can also be considered.

The International Law Institute (ILI) is located at 1615 New Hampshire Avenue, NW. Members of the public may attend up to the capacity of the meeting room and subject to direction of the Chair. Persons planning to attend should advise the Office of the Legal Adviser or the Institute in advance. Requests for attendance or background documents can be made to the Office of the Legal Adviser (L/PIL) by fax to (202) 776-8482 or by mail to Suite 203, South Building, 2430 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037-2800, Attention: Harold S. Burman. Questions concerning meeting arrangements should be directed to ILI Executive Director, Stuart Kerr, (202) 483-8036.

Dated: May 6, 1996.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Tennessee Valley Authority (Meeting No. 1484).

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m. (CDT), May 15, 1996.

PLACE: TVA Customer Service Center, 310 Research Boulevard, Starkville, Mississippi.

STATUS: Open.

Agenda

Approval of minutes of meeting held on April 24, 1996.

New Business

C—Energy

C1. Delegation of authority to the Vice President, Fuel Supply and Engineering, to award six 6-year (maximum term) coal contracts under Requisition 33, and one rail transportation contract for up to 10 years for coal supply to Colbert, Johnsonville, and Widows Creek Fossil Plants.

C2. Delegation of authority to the Vice President, Fuel Supply and Engineering, to award Ingram Barge Company a 10-year contract under Requisition 33 for coal barge transportation to Gallatin, Cumberland, Johnsonville, Colbert, and Widows Creek Fossil Plants.

E—Real Property Transactions

E1. Grant of permanent easements to the city of Fort Payne, Alabama, affecting approximately 9.65 acres of land on Gunterville Lake in Jackson County, Alabama (Tract No. XTGR-162E), for a raw water pump station and water line.

E2. Grant of permanent easements to the Sevier Water Board, Inc., affecting approximately 2.604 acres of land on Douglas Lake in Sevier County, Tennessee (Tract No. XTDR-32E), for a water intake site, transfer pump station, water line, and access road.

E3. Sale of 30-year easement to Vanguard Services affecting 9.64 acres of land on Kentucky Lake in Humphreys County, Tennessee (Tract No. XGIR-925BT), for a barge terminal.

Information Items

1. Filing of condemnation cases.

2. Delegation of authority to the Chief Financial Officer or the Vice President and Treasurer to enter into contracts for the sale, purchase, or loan of sulfur dioxide emission allowances.

For more information: Please call TVA Public Relations at (423) 632-6000, Knoxville, Tennessee. Information is also available at TVA's Washington Office (202) 898-2999.

Dated: May 8, 1996.

Edward S. Christenbury,

General Counsel and Secretary.

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