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Washington – James E. Cason, Associate Deputy Secretary announced a series of consultation meetings to be held January 9-19, 2005 throughout Indian country. In accordance with Title V, Section 504 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and Executive Order 13175, the DOI, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development seeks to consult on the development of proposed regulations to govern Tribal Energy Resource Agreements. The purpose of these agreements is to promote tribal oversight and management of energy and mineral resource development on tribal lands and further the goal of Indian self-determination. A letter of invitation was sent to Tribal Leaders with specific information on the meetings. We invite the public to comment at one or more of these meetings. The public comment period will be held from 8 am to 12 pm at each meeting.

Date	City	Meeting Location
January 9, 2006	Sacramento, CA	Hilton Sacramento Arden West
January 9, 2006	Houston, TX	Hilton Garden Inn, Bush Intercontinental Airport
January 10, 2006	Tulsa, OK	Hilton Garden Inn, Tulsa Airport
January 10, 2006	Billings, MT	Sheraton Billings
January 11, 2006	Portland, OR	Doubletree Hotel and Executive Meeting Center
January 11, 2006	Minneapolis, MN	Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport Mall of America
January 12, 2006	Denver, CO	Country Inn Suites, Denver International Airport
January 13, 2006	Albuquerque, NM	Albuquerque Marriott
January 13, 2006	Las Vegas, NV	Renaissance Hotel
January 19, 2006	Washington, DC	Sydney Yates Auditorium Main Interior Building

For more information on the meetings contact Darryl Francois, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, 1849 C St., NW, MS-2749-MIB, Washington, DC 20240. Or call: 202- 219-0740 or by email at darryl.francois@mms.gov. **CREDENTIALS**: This invitation is extended to working media representatives, who are required to display sanctioned media credentials for admittance to these events.

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