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U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Public Listening Sessions Announced

Meetings will focus on the formation of the USEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group

WASHINGTON – The Department of the Interior will host a public listening session to gather comments concerning the creation of a U.S. multi-stakeholder group that will develop and implement the framework for the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI), a voluntary, global standard for transparency in reporting revenues received for oil, gas and mineral extraction. The multi-stakeholder group will be comprised of representatives from government, industry and civil society.

The USEITI is a key element of President Obama's Open Government Partnership commitments, and active public involvement is vital to its success. Interested persons are urged to take advantage of the various opportunities to comment on the formation of the multi-stakeholder group and implementation of USEITI. The comment period will range from February 25, 2012, through April 9, 2012, and comments can be submitted:

- by visiting the USEITI web page at www.doi.gov/EITI
- via email to EITI@ios.doi.gov
- by mail to: EITI Comments
c/o US Department of the Interior
1801 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Suite 400
Washington, DC 20006
- by attending one of several public meetings, including:

WHAT EITI Public Listening Sessions

WHERE Denver Marriott City Center
1701 California Street

Denver, Colorado 80202

WHEN March 21, 2012
 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Details about additional public listening sessions and the comment period have been made via a Federal Register notice, which can be viewed at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-03-08/pdf/2012-5668.pdf> .

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