

NIGC Public Hearing – Classification Standards
Witness Testimony – Procedural Rules
September 19, 2006

1. Witness testimony will be presented in panels according to topics selected in advance by the NIGC.
2. The testimony of witnesses, including statements and responses to questions shall be transcribed and made part of the public record.
3. Similar to the format followed by the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Resources, each Panelist will have 5 minutes for presentation - strictly adhere to this rule.
4. Witnesses may use visual aids, demonstrative exhibits or documents, but should make arrangements by September 5, 2006, with the Commission to assure that such materials can be adequately displayed in the allotted time and that there are means by which the objects or documents may be entered into the record.
5. Following the presentation of witness' statements, representatives of the NIGC and the public may make comments, question the witness, or ask clarifying questions.
6. Public comments following each panel will be limited to 20 minutes – this rule will be strictly followed.
 - a. The public must sign up to comment following each panel - first come, first served - no repeats until final comments.
 - b. Each public commenter will be given 2 minutes to speak – this rule will be strictly followed.
7. The Chairman shall have the authority to consider whether the question is relevant and appropriate, and if so, the witness shall answer the question. All the questions submitted during the hearing shall be retained and entered into the public hearing record. The Chairman may direct specific questions to particular witnesses to be responded to in writing for inclusion in the hearing record.
8. Public comments following the final panel will be for 60 minutes - sign up and time rules in #6 above apply here also.