

geographic distribution of systems and, among other things, the sizes and types of systems. This data collection will assist DOE in its management of and planning for the continued success of the Million Solar Roofs Initiative.

Request for Comments: Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), DOE invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary to measure the progress and success of the Million Solar Roofs Initiative; and (2) the accuracy of DOE's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who choose to respond. Additional information about DOE's proposed information collection may be obtained from the contact person named in this notice.

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Brian T. Castelli,

Chief of Staff, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Idaho Operations Office; Notice of Availability of Solicitation for Awards of Financial Assistance

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13730—Nuclear Engineering Education Research (NEER) Program.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, is soliciting applications for awards of financial assistance (i.e., grants) for state-of-the-art research that contributes to any of the following eight areas: reactor physics; reactor engineering; nuclear materials; radiological engineering; radioactive waste management; applied radiation science; nuclear safety and risk analysis; and innovative technologies for next generation reactors, space power and propulsion, or radiation sources. The issuance date of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13730 was October 16, 1998. The solicitation is available in its full text via the Internet at the following URL address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doeid/pds/proc-div.html>. The deadline for receipt of applications is 45 days after the issuance date of the solicitation or by November 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to: Dallas L. Hoffer, Procurement Services Division, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, Mail Stop 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dallas Hoffer, Contract Specialist at hofferdl@id.doe.gov, Janet Surrusco, Purchasing Agent at surrusjk@id.doe.gov, or Linda Hallum, Contracting Officer at hallumla@id.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The solicitation was issued pursuant to 10 CFR 600.6(b). Eligibility for awards under this Nuclear Engineering Education Research (NEER) Program will be restricted to U.S. colleges and universities with nuclear engineering degree programs or options. The purpose of the NEER program is to (1) support basic research in nuclear engineering; (2) assist in developing nuclear engineering; and (3) contribute to strengthening the academic community's nuclear engineering infrastructure. The statutory authority for this program is Public law 95-91.

Issued in Idaho Falls on October 14, 1998.

Michael L. Adams,

Acting Director, Procurement Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

DATES: Thursday, November 18, 1998: 5:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Paducah Information Age Park Resource Center, 2000 McCracken Boulevard, Paducah, Kentucky.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John D. Sheppard, Site-Specific Advisory Board Coordinator, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, (502) 441-6804.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of

environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

5:30 p.m. Call to Order
5:45 p.m. Approve Meeting Minutes
6:00 p.m. Public Comment/Questions
6:30 p.m. Presentations
7:30 p.m. Break
7:45 p.m. Presentations
9:00 p.m. Public Comment
9:30 p.m. Administrative Issues
10:00 p.m. Adjourn

Copies of the final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact John D. Sheppard at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments as the first item on the meeting agenda.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Department of Energy's Environmental Information and Reading Room at 175 Freedom Boulevard, Highway 60, Kevil, Kentucky between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, or by writing to John D. Sheppard, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, or by calling him at (502) 441-6804.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy; National Coal Council; Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat 770), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 19, 1998, 9:00 AM.

PLACE: Four Seasons Hotel 2800 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Margie D. Biggerstaff, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy (FE-5), Washington, DC 20585.

Purpose of the Council: To provide advice, information, recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on matters relating to coal and coal industry issues.

Tentative Agenda

- Call to order and opening remarks by Dr. E. Linn Draper, Chairman of the National Coal Council.
- Remarks by the Honorable Bill Richardson, Secretary of Energy (invited).
- Briefing by Mary Hutzler, Assistant Administrator for Energy Information Administration, on recent EIA Study on Impacts of Kyoto Protocol on the US.
- Report by Dr. Robert Nickell on the Coal Study Work Group.
- Administrative reports.
- Presentation by Dr. Randolph Williams, Environmental Synergy, Inc., on Biodiversity and Carbon Sequestration.
- Report by Steve Jenkins, TECO Energy, on the Fourth Conference of the Parties in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Other business.
- Public comment—10-minute rule.
- Adjournment.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairman of the Council is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to file a written statement with the Council will be permitted to do so, either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Margie D. Biggerstaff at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provisions will be made to include the presentation on the agenda.

Transcripts: Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, Room 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Committee Advisory, Management Advisory Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

Name: American Statistical Association's Committee on Energy Statistics, a utilized Federal Advisory Committee

Date and Time: Thursday, November 19, 8:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m.; Friday, November 20, 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Place: U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, DC 20585

For Further Information Contact: Mr. William I. Weinig, EI-70, Committee Liaison, Energy Information Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585, Telephone: (202) 426-1101.

Purpose of Committee: To advise the Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration (EIA), on EIA technical statistical issues and to enable the EIA to benefit from the Committee's expertise concerning other energy-related statistical matters.

Tentative Agenda

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- A. Opening Remarks by the Chairman
- B. Major Topics

1. Handling High-Profile EIA Reports
2. Update on Greenhouse Gas Environmental Impact Studies
3. Electricity Restructuring
4. Panel Discussion on Data Topics in the 21st Century
5. The National Energy Information Center

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6. A New Natural Gas Imports Model for the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System
7. Procedures to Accelerate and Improve Short-Term Natural Gas Estimates
8. Alternatives to Reducing the Cost of the Residential Energy Consumption Survey
9. Public Comment

C. Closing Remarks by the Chairman

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Written statements may be filed with the committee either before or after the meeting. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. William I.

Weinig, EIA Committee Liaison, at the address or telephone number listed above.

Transcripts: Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, (Room 1E-190), 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-3142, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

Energy Research Financial Assistance Program Notice 99-02; Plasma Physics Junior Faculty Development Program

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice inviting grant applications.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fusion Energy Sciences (OFES) of the Office of Energy Research (OER), U.S. Department of Energy hereby announces its interest in receiving grant applications for support under its Plasma Physics Junior Faculty Development Program. Applications should be from tenure-track faculty investigators who are currently involved in experimental or theoretical plasma physics research and should be submitted through a U.S. academic institution. The purpose of this program is to support the development of the individual research programs of exceptionally talented scientists and engineers early in their careers.

DATES: To permit timely consideration for awards in FY 1999, formal applications in response to this notice should be received on or before February 3, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Completed formal applications referencing Program Notice 99-02 should be forwarded to: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Research, Grants and Contracts Division, ER-64, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874-1290, ATTN: Program Notice 99-02. The above address must also be used when submitting applications by U. S. Postal Service Express, and commercial mail delivery service or when hand carried by the applicant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Ronald McKnight, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences, Science Division, ER-55, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown,