

military construction programs submitted for OSD support and Congressional approval.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, these records or information contained therein may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

The 'Blanket Routine Uses' that appear at the beginning of the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices apply to this system.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Automated and paper records.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Social Security Number.

SAFEGUARDS:

Housing files used solely within housing office; tape files used solely within data processing system; and protected by the military installation's security measures. Automated files are password protected.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Held three years and destroyed.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 1000, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, DC 20374-5065. Subordinate record holders of questionnaires: Family housing office at military installation.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves is contained in this system should address written inquiries to the family housing office at the military installation that services them.

Request should contain full name, Social Security Number and be signed.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking access to records about themselves contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to the family housing office at the military installation that services them.

Request should contain full name, Social Security Number and be signed.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The Navy's rules for accessing records, and for contesting contents and

appealing initial agency determinations are published in Secretary of the Navy Instruction 5211.5; 32 CFR part 701; or may be obtained from the system manager.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Individual.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Meeting

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting.

DATES: June 17 and 18, 1999.

TIME: June 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; June 18, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thelma Leenhouts, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564. Tel.: (202) 219-2065; fax: (202) 219-1528; e-mail: Thelma_Leenhouts@ed.gov, or nerppb@ed.gov. The main telephone number for the Board is (202) 208-0692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office. The meeting is open to the public. On June 17, the Board will elect officers for 1999-2000 and hear a presentation on the interim evaluation of the regional educational laboratories. On June 18,

the Board will have a briefing on "Improving Student Learning: A Strategic Plan for Education Research and Its Utilization" by a representative of the National Research Council, which published the study, and will conduct outstanding business. A final agenda will be available from the Board office on June 10, 1999, and will be posted on the Board's web site, <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/NERPPB/>.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Suite 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564.

Dated: May 25, 1999.

Eve M. Bither,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of a new system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Acting Chief Information Officer for the Department of Education publishes this Notice of a New System of Records for the Student Account Manager System, as authorized by the Higher Education Act of 1965, Title IV-A through IV-H, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1092b). This system contains a data base of student accounts containing records of activities relative to Federal loan and grant transactions. The Secretary seeks comments on the proposed routine uses of this system of records.

DATES: Comments on proposed routine uses for this system of records must be received on or before July 1, 1999. The Department filed a report of the new, amended, altered and deleted systems of records, which included this system, with the Chairman of the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate, the Chairman of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight Operations of the House of Representatives, and the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on May 14, 1999. This system of records becomes effective after the 30-day period for OMB review of the system expires on June 14, 1999 unless OMB gives specific notice within the 30 days that the system is not approved for

implementation or requests an additional 10 days for its review.

ADDRESSES: All comments on the proposed routine uses should be addressed to Bill Burrow, Office of Chief Information Officer, Acting Information Management Group Leader, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Regional Office Building, Room 5624, Washington, DC 20202-4580. Comments may also be sent through the Internet to: Comments@ed.gov

You must include the term "System of Records" in the subject line of your electronic message.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are available for public inspection, during and after the comment period, in Room 5624, Regional Office Building, 7th and D Streets, SW., Washington, DC, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

On request, the Department supplies an appropriate aid, such as a reader or print magnifier, to an individual with a disability who needs assistance to review the comments or other documents in the public rulemaking docket for this notice. An individual with a disability who wants to schedule an appointment for this type of aid may call (202) 205-9265 or (202) 260-0250. An individual who uses a TDD may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339, between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Burrow, Office of Chief Information Officer, Acting Information Management Group Leader, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5624, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone number: (202) 401-0250. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access to This Document

Anyone may view this document, as well as all other Department of Education documents published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Portable Document Format (PDF) on the World Wide Web at either of the following sites:

<http://ocfo.ed.gov/fedreg.htm>
<http://www.ed.gov/news.html>

To use PDF you must have the Adobe Acrobat Reader Program with Search, which is available free at either of the previous sites. If you have questions about using PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office toll free at 1-888-293-6498.

Anyone may also view these documents in text copy only on an electronic bulletin board of the Department. Telephone: (202) 219-1511 or, toll-free, 1-800-222-4922. The documents are located under Option G-Files/Announcements, Bulletins and Press Releases.

Note: The Official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**.

Background

The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4)) requires the Department to publish in the **Federal Register** this notice of a new system of records. The Department's regulations implementing the Privacy Act of 1974 are contained in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in 34 CFR part 5b.

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Privacy Act), 5 U.S.C. 552a, applies to information about individuals that contains individually identifiable information and that may be retrieved by a unique identifier associated with each individual, such as a name or social security number. The information about each individual is called a "record" and the system, whether manual or computer-driven, is called a "system of records." The Privacy Act requires each agency to publish notices of systems of records in the **Federal Register** and to prepare reports to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) whenever the agency publishes a new or "altered" system of records.

The Student Account Manager system of records is a part of the Access America for Students pilot project. The pilot project is intended to improve the administration of the Federal loan and grant programs authorized by the Higher Education Act of 1965, title IV-A through IV-H, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1092b).

The Student Account Manager system is being established for three purposes: (1) To give students a single point of contact for information, statements, and customer service concerning their Federal student financial assistance (loans and grants) from various programs and sources; (2) to provide eligible institutions of higher education with a standardized method for the receipt of Title IV student financial

assistance; and (3) to create summary reports for Federal loan and grant funding sources and program offices for loans and grants delivered through the Student Account Manager.

Information in the system includes demographic information identifying the student or borrower, Federal loan and grant funding information, and Federal loan and grant transaction information. The Secretary of Education uses the information in this system to simplify the flow of student financial assistance funds and information to students and schools.

Direct access is restricted to authorized agency and contractor staff in the performance of their official duties. The information is kept in computer mainframe databases at contractor sites in secured buildings. All physical access to the sites of the contractor and the Department of Education where this system of records is maintained is controlled and monitored by security personnel who check each individual entering the building for an employee's or a visitor's badge.

The computer system employed by the Secretary offers a high degree of resistance to tampering and circumvention. This security system limits data access to the Department of Education (ED), agents of ED (including schools and funding sources), and contract staff on a "need to know" basis, and controls individual users' ability to access and alter records within the system. All users of this system are given a unique user ID with a personal identifier.

Dated: May 27, 1999.

Thomas P. Skelly,
Acting Chief Information Officer.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number does not apply.)

The Chief Information Officer of the U.S. Department of Education publishes notice of system 18-11-08, the "Student Account Manager System."

18-11-08

SYSTEM NAME:

Student Account Manager System.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

None.

SYSTEM LOCATION(S):

Program Systems Service, Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Education, Seventh and D Streets, SW., Room 4640, ROB-3, Washington, DC 20202.

National Computer Systems, 2510 North Dodge Street, Iowa City, Iowa 52240.

Total Systems Services, Inc. 6101 Stone Mill Drive, Columbus, GA; Golden Retriever System, 8 N. Roosevelt Avenue, Chandler, AZ 85221.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

The Student Account Manager System contains student financial assistance records about students and/or borrowers both who have applied for loans under any Title IV Federal loan program and students who have applied for grants under any Title IV Federal grant program.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

The Student Account Manager System contains records relating to a student and/or borrower's originated awards and disbursements of Title IV financial assistance. The system contains three data element types as outlined below: demographic information, such as student and/or borrower name, mailing and permanent address, e-mail address, current and original Social Security number, phone number, date of birth, student account number, loan and grant funding and award information, including the Title IV code for the school(s) for which students and/or borrowers have requested determinations of Federal financial assistance eligibility, the origination date and I.D., the funding source I.D., loan holder, credit limit or award amount, loan and grant transaction information, including the transaction date, posting date, disbursement amount, acceptance/rejection field, batch number.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Higher Education Act of 1965, Title IV-A through IV-H, as amended, (20 U.S.C.1092b).

PURPOSE(S):

This system of records is provided for the purposes of:

(1) Giving students a single point of contact for information, statements, and customer service concerning their Federal student financial assistance (loans and grants) from various programs and sources;

(2) Providing eligible institutions of higher education with a standardized method for the receipt of Title IV student financial assistance; and

(3) Creating summary reports for Federal loan and grant funding sources and program offices for loans and grants delivered through the Student Account Manager.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

The Department of Education (Department) may disclose information contained in a record in this system of records under the routine uses listed in this system of records without the consent of the individual if the disclosure is compatible with the purposes for which the record was collected. These disclosures may be made on a case-by-case basis or, if the Department has complied with the computer matching requirements of the Act, under a computer matching agreement.

(1) *Program purposes.* Records may be disclosed for the following program purposes:

(a) To report disbursement activity, disclosures may be made to appropriate guaranty agencies, educational and financial institutions, and Federal agencies.

(b) To deliver Federal student assistance funds to the educational institution at which the student is enrolled, disclosures may be made to that educational institution.

(2) *Disclosure for Use by Other Law Enforcement Agencies.* The Department may disclose information to any Federal, State, local, or foreign agency or other public authority responsible for enforcing, investigating, or prosecuting violations of administrative, civil, or criminal law or regulation if that information is relevant to any enforcement, regulatory, investigative, or prosecutive responsibility within the receiving entity's jurisdiction.

(3) *Enforcement disclosures.* In the event that information in this system of records indicates, either on its face or in connection with other information, a violation or potential violation of any applicable statute, regulation, or order of a competent authority, The Department may disclose the relevant records to the appropriate agency, whether foreign, Federal, State, Tribal, or local, charged with the responsibility of investigating or prosecuting that violation or charged with enforcing or implementing the statute, or executive order, rule, regulation, or order issued pursuant thereto.

(4) *Litigation disclosure and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Disclosures.*

(a) *Introduction.* In the event that one of the parties listed below is involved in litigation or ADR, or has an interest in litigation or ADR, the Department may disclose certain records to the parties described in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this routine use under the conditions specified in those paragraphs:

(i) The Department of Education, or any component of the Department; or
(ii) Any Department employee in his or her official capacity; or

(iii) Any Department employee in his or her individual capacity if the Department of Justice (DOJ) has agreed to provide or arrange for representation for the employee; or

(iv) Any Department employee in his or her individual capacity where the agency has agreed to represent the employee; or

(v) The United States where the Department determines that the litigation is likely to affect the Department or any of its components.

(b) *Disclosure to the DOJ.* If the Department determines that disclosure of certain records to the DOJ is relevant and necessary to litigation or ADR, the Department may disclose those records as a routine use to the DOJ

(c) *Administrative disclosures.* If the Department determines that disclosure of certain records to an adjudicative body before which the Department is authorized to appear, an individual or entity designated by the Department or otherwise empowered to resolve or mediate disputes is relevant and necessary to the administrative litigation, the Department may disclose those records as a routine use to the adjudicative body, individual, or entity.

(d) *Parties, counsels, representatives and witnesses.* If the Department determines that disclosure of certain records to a party, counsel, representative or witness in an administrative proceeding is relevant and necessary to the litigation, the Department may disclose those records as a routine use to the party, counsel, representative or witness.

(5) *Employment, Benefit, and Contracting Disclosure.*

(a) *For Decisions by the Department.* The Department may disclose a record to a Federal, State, or local agency maintaining civil, criminal, or other relevant enforcement or other pertinent records, or to another public authority or professional organization, if necessary to obtain information relevant to a Department decision concerning the hiring or retention of an employee or other personnel action, the issuance of a security clearance, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of a license, grant, or other benefit.

(b) *For Decisions by Other Public Agencies and Professional Organizations.* The Department may disclose a records to a Federal, State, local, or foreign agency or other public authority or professional organization, in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee or other

personnel action, the issuance of a security clearance, the reporting of an investigation of an employee, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of a license, grant, or other benefit, to the extent that the record is relevant and necessary to the receiving entity's decision on the matter.

(6) *Employee Grievance, Complaint, or Conduct Disclosure.* The Department may disclose a record in this system of records to another agency of the Federal Government if the record is relevant to one of the following proceedings regarding a present or former employee of the Department: complaint, grievance, discipline or competence determination proceedings. The disclosure may only be made during the course of the proceeding.

(7) *Labor Organization Disclosure.* A component of the Department may disclose records to a labor organization if a contract between the component and a labor organization recognized under Title V of the United States Code, Chapter 71, provides that the Department will disclose personal records relevant to the organization's mission. The disclosures will be made only as authorized by law.

(8) *Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advice Disclosure.* The Department may disclose records to the Department of Justice and the Office of Management and Budget if the Department concludes that disclosure is desirable or necessary in determining whether particular records are required to be disclosed under the FOIA.

(9) *Disclosure to the Department of Justice (DOJ).* The Department may disclose records to the DOJ to the extent necessary for obtaining DOJ advice on any matter relevant to an audit, inspection, or other inquiry related to the programs covered by this system.

(10) *Contract Disclosure.* If the Department contracts with an entity for the purposes of performing any function that requires disclosure of records in this system to employees of the contractor, the Department may disclose the records to those employees. Before entering into such a contract, the Department shall require the contractor to maintain Privacy Act safeguards as required under 5 U.S.C. 552a(m) with respect to the records in the system.

(11) *Research Disclosure.* The Department may disclose records to a researcher if an appropriate official of the Department determines that the individual or organization to which the disclosure would be made is qualified to carry out specific research related to functions or purposes of this system of records. The official may disclose records from this system of records to

that researcher solely for the purpose of carrying out that research related to the functions or purposes of this system of records. The researcher shall be required to maintain Privacy Act safeguards with respect to the disclosed records.

(12) *Congressional member disclosure.* The Department may disclose information to a member of congress from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from the member made at the written request of that individual. The Member's right to the information is no greater than the right of the individual who requested it.

(13) *Disclosure to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Credit Reform Act (CRA) Support.* The Department may disclose records to OMB as necessary to fulfill CRA requirements.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

Disclosures pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(12): The Department may disclose to a consumer reporting agency information regarding a claim by the Department which is determined to be valid and overdue as follows: (1) The name, address, taxpayer identification number and other information necessary to establish the identity of the individual responsible for the claim; (2) the amount, status, and history of the claim; and (3) the program under which the claim arose. The Department may disclose the information specified in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(12) and the procedures contained in 31 U.S.C. 3711(e). A consumer reporting agency to which these disclosures may be made is defined at 31 U.S.C. 3701(a)(3).

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISCLOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

The records at the National Computer Systems (NCS) are maintained on the mainframe at the NCS data center in Iowa City, IA and archived onto magnetic tape. Total System records are maintained on a mainframe database in Columbus, GA and backed up onto magnetic tapes. Golden Retriever System records are maintained on a sequel server database in Chandler, AZ and backed up onto CD-ROM.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Each student and/or borrower's file is indexed by social security number and the first two characters of their last name.

SAFEGUARDS:

All users of this system are given a unique user ID with a personal identifier. Student and parent users are assigned an Electronic Access Code (EAC) through the Federal Student Aid Application Files Privacy Act system of records number 18-11-01 by which they can access their accounts. All physical access to the Department's site, and the sites of Department contractors where this system of records is maintained, is controlled and monitored by security personnel who check each individual entering the building for his or her employee or visitor badge.

The computer system employed by the Department offers a high degree of resistance to tampering and circumvention. This security system limits data access to the Department, agents of the Department (including schools and funding sources), and contract staff on a "need to know" basis, and controls individual users' ability to access and alter records within the system. All users of this system of records are given a unique user ID with passwords.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Federal Loan Records: The Department will retain and dispose of loan records in accordance with the Department's Records Disposition Schedules (ED/RDS), Part 10, Item 16. Individual records (applications, certifications, disbursements, correspondence, and related records) for Federal loans may be destroyed three years after cancellation, forgiveness or final repayment of the Loan (ED/RDS, Part 10, Item 16). Electronic Federal loan records will be kept online and easily available for 24 months after reconciliation with the funding source, then retained in accordance with ED/RDS, Part 10, Item 16.

Federal Pell Grant Records: ED will retain and dispose of Pell Grant records in accordance with ED/RDS, Part 10, Item 17. Records of Federal Pell Grant recipients (applications, payment, correspondence, and related records) will be transferred to a Federal Records Center after final payment to grantee. Individual Pell Grant records may be destroyed 15 years after final payment to grantee (ED/RDS, Part 10, Item 17). Individual records for unapproved Federal Pell Grant applications will be transferred to a Federal Records Center 120 days after a rejection or withdrawal, and may be destroyed three years after date of rejection or withdrawal (ED/RDS, Part 10, Item 17(d)). Electronic Federal Pell Grant records will be kept online and easily available for 24 months after reconciliation with the

funding source, then retained in accordance with ED/RDS, Part 10, Item 17.

SYSTEM MANAGERS AND ADDRESS:

Service Director, Program Systems Service, Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., ROB-3, Room 4640, Washington, DC 20202.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

If an individual wishes to determine whether a record exists regarding him or her in this system of records, the individual may gain access to the system via the Internet or by contacting the system administrator through the Student Account Manager's customer service e-mail address or toll-free telephone number. (To obtain access to records by telephone, the student must first authorize telephone access through the Student Account Manager's website using his or her Electronic Access Code.) The student must provide the system manager with his or her name, date of birth, Social Security number, and Electronic Access Code (EAC). Requests for notification about an individual must meet the requirements of the regulations at 34 CFR 5b.5, including proof of identity. Individuals may also present their requests in person at any of the locations identified for this system of records or address their requests to the system manager at the following address: Program Systems Service, Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., ROB-3, Room 4640, Washington, DC 20202.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

If an individual wishes to gain access to a record in this system, he or she may do so via the Internet, by calling the toll free customer service phone number using a touch-tone telephone, or by contacting the system manager through the Student Account Manager's customer service e-mail address or toll-free telephone number. (To obtain access to records by telephone, the student must first authorize telephone access through the Student Account Manager's website using his or her Electronic Access Code.)

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

If an individual wishes to change the contents of a record in the system of records, he or she may challenge a transaction by contacting the system manager by telephone or sending written notice to the Student Account Manager's customer assistance area and

providing the information described in the notification procedure, identifying the specific item(s) to be changed, and providing a written justification for the change, including any supporting documentation.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Information is obtained from schools, lenders, guaranty agencies, students, borrowers, the Title IV Program Files (Privacy Act system of records number 18-11-05), the Federal Student Aid Application Files Privacy Act system of records number 18-11-001), the Direct Loan Origination Center, and the Recipient Funds Management System (RFMS).

SYSTEM EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

None.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

SUMMARY: Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting: Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board.

DATES AND TIMES: Tuesday, June 15, 1999, 1:00 pm—4:30 pm.

ADDRESSES: Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne Guest House (Building 460), 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586-1709 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board

The Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (The Board) reports directly to the Secretary of Energy and is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Board provides the Secretary of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on issues of national importance. The Board and its subcommittees provide timely, balanced, and authoritative advice to the Secretary on the Department's management reforms, research, development, and technology activities,

energy and national security responsibilities, environmental cleanup activities, and economic issues relating to energy.

Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, June 15, 1999

- 1:00 pm—1:20 pm Welcome & Opening Remarks—SEAB Chairman and Secretary Bill Richardson
- 1:20 pm—2:45 pm Status Reports & Board Discussion
- 2:45 pm—3:00 pm Break
- 3:00 pm—4:15 pm Status Reports & Board Discussion
- 4:15 pm—4:30 pm Public Comment Period
- 4:30 pm Closing Remarks

This tentative agenda is subject to change. The final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation

The Chairman of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a way that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Argonne, Illinois the Board welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to the late resolution of programmatic issues.

Minutes

Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board may also be found at the Board's web site, located at <http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab>.

Issued at Washington, D.C., on May 24, 1999.

James N. Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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