

Proposal Content

The proposal must state that the proposer has the legal corporate authority to perform all of the services covered by the DBA agreement.

The proposal must contain assurances that no conflicts of interest or apparent conflicts of interest exist. The proposal must describe the review and analysis that led the proposer to this conclusion. The proposer must include in its proposal resumes of owners and proposed program managers.

The proposal must describe the proposer's experience with respect to each of the DBA's tasks as described in this notice, including in particular any current relevant experience the proposer may have. The proposal must discuss existing resources available to perform these duties, and the need (if any) to hire and train additional staff. Since the DBA is expected to perform these duties for an extended period, the proposal must discuss similar programs and tasks which the proposer currently expects to perform for an extended period.

The proposal must include the proposer's approach to performing each of the DBA's tasks, and must reflect the proposer's review and understanding of the current program documents and processes. Innovative presentations will convey the proposer's understanding of the proposed duties and will be favorably received.

The proposal must also include information with respect to the proposer's financial strength and copies of the proposer's last five annual audited financial statements. The proposal must contain factors that assure the proposer's existence for an extended period, including, for example, issuance of other long-term non-callable debt, or other long-term ventures which will require the long-term existence of the company.

The proposal must discuss the proposer's history in working with HBCUs, particularly with respect to experience relating to HBCU physical facilities, financial planning, and the HBCUs' educational mission. It must also describe actions the proposer has taken and plans the proposer has made for recruiting and outreach programs to insure a diverse applicant pool in the proposer's employment, subcontracting, and partnering activities, as well as the success the proposer has achieved in attracting diverse applicants.

Since the Department desires that the HBCU Capital Financing Program not experience any lapse in its outreach efforts, the proposer's demonstrated ability to become fully operational as the DBA immediately upon

appointment will be important. The appointment will become effective as of the date of expiration of the incumbent DBA's appointment, which will occur in mid-December, 2000.

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Dated: September 27, 2000.

Claudio R. Prieto,

Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Postsecondary Education, Native Hawaiian Higher Education Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001

Purpose of Program: To provide grants for programs of baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate fellowship assistance to Native Hawaiian students.

Eligible Applicants: Eligible applicants are Native Hawaiian educational organizations or educational entities with experience in developing or operating Native Hawaiian programs or programs of instruction conducted in the Native Hawaiian language, as defined in section 9212 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: December 15, 2000.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: February 13, 2001.

Applications Available: November 1, 2000.

Available Funds: \$2,700,000. The estimated amount of funds available for new awards under this competition is based on the Administration's request for this program for FY 2001. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent on final congressional action.

Estimated Range of Awards:

\$700,000-\$1,400,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$900,000 per year.

Estimated Number of Awards: 3.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 48 months.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, and 99; and (b) Because there are no program-specific regulations, applicants are encouraged to read the authorizing statute for the Native Hawaiian Higher Education Program in sections 9206 and 9212 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

For Applications or Information

Contact: Susanna Easton or Gale Holdren, Native Hawaiian Higher Education Program, U.S. Department of Education, International Education and Graduate Programs Service, 1990 K Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006-8521. Ms. Easton's telephone number is (202) 502-7628. Ms. Holdren's telephone number is (202) 502-7691. Ms. Easton and Ms. Holdren may be reached by email at:

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Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7906.

Dated: September 26, 2000.

A. Lee Fritschler,

Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, October 19, 2000: 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John D. Sheppard, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, (270) 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 and waste management activities.

Tentative Agenda:

5:30 p.m.—Informal Discussion

6:00 p.m.—Call to Order

6:10 p.m.—Approve Minutes

6:20 p.m.—Presentations, Board Response, Public Comments

8:00 p.m.—Subcommittee Reports, Board Response, Public Comments

8:30 p.m.—Administrative Issues

9:00 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 of 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 Center and Reading Room at 175 Freedom Boulevard, Highway 60, Kevil, Kentucky between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday thru 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 (270) 441-6804.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Bonneville Power Administration's Proposed Adjustment to the 1996 Unauthorized Increase Charge, Public Hearing, and Opportunity for Public Review and Comment

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed adjustment to the 1996 unauthorized increase charge. BPA File No: UAI-96R.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act (Northwest Power Act) provides that Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) must establish and periodically review its rates so that they are adequate to recover, in accordance with sound business

principles, the costs associated with the acquisition, conservation, and transmission of electric power, and to recover the Federal investment in the Federal Columbia River Power System (FCRPS) and other costs incurred by BPA.

By this notice, BPA announces its proposed adjustment to the 1996 Unauthorized Increase Charge. The Unauthorized Increase Charge is a penalty charge that applies to any purchaser taking demand and/or energy in excess of its contractual entitlement. The 1996 Unauthorized Increase Charge was set at a level intended to deter customers who had their own generation or a contract obligation to supply power to their load from exceeding their BPA contractual entitlements to Federal power.

However, since 1996 a robust wholesale market for power has developed which has recently produced high and volatile prices. These market changes render the current level of the 1996 Unauthorized Increase Charge for energy and demand inadequate to deter customers from taking demand and energy in excess of the amount of Federal power to which they are contractually entitled. This action is to adjust the 1996 Unauthorized Increase Charge so that it will operate as intended—as a penalty charge, rather than as an attractive alternative to purchasing power at existing wholesale power market prices.

DATES: Proposed hearing dates are supplied in Supplementary Information, Section I.C. Close of public comments is November 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Mr. Michael Hansen, Public Involvement and Information Specialist; Bonneville Power Administration; P.O. Box 12999; Portland, Oregon 97212.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested persons may also call (503) 230-4328 or call toll-free 1-800-622-4519. Documents will be available for public viewing after October 6, 2000, at BPA's Public Information Center, BPA Headquarters Building, 1st Floor; 905 NE. 11th, Portland, Oregon, and will be provided to parties at the prehearing conference to be held on October 6, 2000, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Room 223, 911 NE. 11th, Portland, Oregon. The documents will also be available on BPA's website at www.bpa.gov/power/ratecase. Ms. Diane Cherry, Power Rates Process Manager, is the official responsible for the development of BPA's rates. Ms Cherry may be contacted as indicated above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: