

interested persons and can be requested as described above.

The Draft PEIS evaluates siting and technology alternatives related to tritium supply and recycling. Four technologies for tritium supply are assessed in the PEIS: Heavy Water Reactor, Modular High-Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor, Advanced Light Water Reactor, and Accelerator Production of Tritium. Five sites for new tritium supply facilities and tritium recycling facilities are assessed: the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (Idaho Falls, Idaho); the Nevada Test Site (Las Vegas, Nevada); the Pantex Plant (Amarillo, Texas); the Savannah River Site (Aiken, South Carolina); and the Oak Ridge Reservation (Oak Ridge, Tennessee). Two options for tritium recycling are evaluated: upgrade of existing tritium recycling facilities at the Savannah River Site, or collocation of a new tritium recycling facility with the tritium supply facility at one of the other sites.

Two of the three reactor technologies (Advanced Light Water Reactor and Modular High Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor) are also evaluated in the Draft PEIS as "triple play" reactors which are capable of "burning" plutonium in addition to producing tritium and generating electricity. Additionally, the Draft PEIS includes an assessment of the generic environmental impacts of producing tritium in an existing commercial reactor, either as a contingency option in the event of a national emergency, or if the Department should choose to purchase such a reactor and convert it to defense purposes. The Department does not have a preferred alternative at this time for tritium supply and recycling sites, or for a tritium supply technology. The Final PEIS will include any preferred alternative. However, the Department may choose to identify a preferred alternative prior to issuing the Final PEIS.

Six public hearings to receive comments on the Draft PEIS will be held as follows:

Washington, DC—April 5, 1995,
Forrestal Building, 1000
Independence Avenue, S.W., Morning
Hearing 8:30am–1:00pm; Afternoon
Hearing 1:30pm–6:00
Las Vegas, NV—April 5, 1995, Cashman
Field Convention Center, 850 North
Las Vegas Blvd., Morning Hearing
8:30am–1:00pm; Evening Hearing
6:00pm–10:30pm
Oak Ridge, TN—April 12, 1995, Pollard
Auditorium, 210 Badger Avenue,
Morning Hearing 8:30am–1:00pm;
Evening Hearing 6:00pm–10:30pm

Pocatello, ID—April 12, 1995, Quality
Inn Pocatello Park Hotel, 1555
Pocatello Creek Road, Morning
Hearing 8:30am–1:00pm; Evening
Hearing 6:00pm–10:30pm
North Augusta, SC—April 20, 1995,
North Augusta Community Center,
101 Brookside Drive, Afternoon
Hearing 1:00pm–5:30pm; Evening
Hearing 6:00pm–10:30pm
Amarillo, TX—April 20, 1995, Sunset
Convention Center, 3701 Plains Blvd.,
Suite 135, Afternoon Hearing
1:00pm–5:30pm; Evening Hearing
6:00pm–10:30pm

The public comment period will extend until May 15, 1995. A Final PEIS for Tritium Supply and Recycling is expected to be completed by October 1995. A Record of Decision would be completed no sooner than 30 days after the Final PEIS is issued.

Signed in Washington, D.C. this 13th day of March, 1995.

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Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs.

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Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management; Waste Acceptance Issues

AGENCY: Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Response Summary Report for the Department of Energy's Notice of Inquiry on Waste Acceptance Issues.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy published a Notice of Inquiry on May 25, 1994, to elicit the views of affected parties on: (1) The Department's preliminary view that it does not have a statutory obligation to accept spent nuclear fuel in 1998 in the absence of an operational repository or a suitable storage facility constructed under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended; (2) the need for an interim, away-from-reactor storage facility prior to repository operations; and (3) options for offsetting, through the use of the Nuclear Waste Fund, a portion of the financial burden that may be incurred by utilities in continuing to store spent nuclear fuel at reactor sites beyond 1998 (59 FR 27007). The Notice of Inquiry implemented the Secretary's initiative to invite the views of interested parties and to advance the consensus-building process on resolving these important issues.

The Notice of Inquiry requested written comments on or before September 22, 1994. In response to a

request from six organizations, the Department published a Notice on October 18, 1994, announcing the reopening of this comment period until December 19, 1994 (59 FR 52524). The Department received more than 1,100 comment letters in response to the Notice of Inquiry.

The purpose of this Notice is to announce the availability of the *Notice of Inquiry on Waste Acceptance Issues—Response Summary Report* which the Department prepared to present a summary of the comments received in response to the Notice of Inquiry. The Department is currently reviewing the comments for the purpose of preparing its response to the issues set forth in the Notice of Inquiry.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the report may be obtained by writing: OCRWM Information Center, P.O. Box 44375, Washington, DC 20026, or by phone: (800) 225-NWPA (6972), (202) 488-5513 (in the Washington, DC area).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Zabransky at the address above, or by telephone at (202) 586-7346 or Mr. Robert Waxman of the Office of General Counsel at (202) 586-6975.

Issued in Washington, DC, March 15, 1995.

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Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER94-1593-001, et al.]

National Power Exchange, et al. Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

March 10, 1995

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. National Power Exchange

[Docket No. ER94-1593-001]

Take notice that on February 21, 1995, National Power Exchange filed certain information as required by the Commission's order issued October 7, 1994.

2. Associated Power Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER95-7-002]

Take notice that on February 10, 1995, Associated Power Services, Inc. tendered for filing additional information in the above-referenced docket.

Comment date: March 24, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.