

- Determine the configuration of the nuclear weapons complex to accomplish the SS&M program requirements.

Pre-Scoping Workshop Format

The Department intends to hold a plenary session at the beginning of the workshop in which DOE officials will more fully explain the framework for the proposed SS&M program, including preliminary alternatives for both Stockpile Management and Stockpile Stewardship. Following the plenary session and any clarification and discussion that results, the Department intends for the participants to break out into two smaller groups— one for Stockpile Stewardship and one for Stockpile Management— to allow for more specific discussion. Arrangements will be made so that interested members of the public may attend both break out sessions if they desire.

Next Steps

Following the pre-scoping workshop, DOE will refine, as necessary, the SS&M framework and proposed alternatives, prepare a Notice of Intent for the SS&M PEIS, and hold public scoping meetings (to be conducted as interactive workshops) regarding the alternatives to be evaluated in the SS&M PEIS. DOE intends to announce the location, date and time for these scoping meetings/workshops in a Notice in the **Federal Register**, and by other means as appropriate. The announcement will be at least two weeks prior to any meetings.

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EERE-Denver Regional Support Office; Notice of Solicitation

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation for financial assistance applications; DE-PS48-95R810534 heavy duty state/municipal vehicle alternative fuel demonstration.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy, Denver Regional Support Office, pursuant to 10 CFR 600 announces its intention to issue a competitive solicitation and make financial assistance awards to evaluate alternative fuels in transportation in response to the Alternative Motor Fuels Act of 1988 (AMFA) and the provisions of Public

Law 102-486, The Energy Policy Act of 1992.

AVAILABILITY OF THE SOLICITATION: To obtain a copy of the solicitation, once it is issued on or about May 1, 1995, write to the U.S. Department of Energy, Denver Support Office, 2801 Youngfield St., Suite 380, Golden, CO 80401, Attn: Louise S. Urgo, FY 1995, Heavy Duty State/Municipal Vehicle Alternative Fuel Demonstration Solicitation. Only written requests for the solicitation will be honored.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is issuing a solicitation to state energy offices, inviting them to apply for the Heavy Duty State/Municipal Vehicle Alternative Fuel Demonstration Program. Only one application will be accepted from each state. The participating state energy offices will coordinate and conduct a heavy duty municipal vehicle project to introduce alternative fuel Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) vehicles for operation by state governments, local school districts, and municipalities. The incremental costs over conventional vehicles for up to four (4) OEM alternative fuel heavy duty vehicles per project will be funded by DOE. The types of vehicles to be considered are those used directly by a state or a local agency or for the sole purpose of supporting a state or local agency. Transit buses are excluded. Vehicles will be fueled with ethanol, methanol, natural gas, propane or biodiesel. The DOE Support Offices will coordinate this program's activities in conjunction and cooperation with the state energy offices, providing assistance and direction to interested participants. The state energy offices, municipalities, and local school districts will identify refueling facilities. They are encouraged to invite local utilities or fuel suppliers to participate by investing in the development of refueling facilities. The award recipients will be responsible for the collection and reporting of data/information as specified by DOE on alternative fuel and "control" vehicles over a five year period. It is the intent of this solicitation is to provide states with practical experience in the use of alternative fuel heavy duty vehicles to promote their use and to increase awareness of the availability and benefits of alternative fuel vehicles.

FUND AVAILABILITY: Up to \$1,200,000 is available to fund financial assistance awards. Awards will be limited to \$200,000 each. Only one application will be accepted from each state. The initial project and budget period will be nine months from the date of award.

ELIGIBILITY: The DOE, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Office of Alternative Fuels, is requesting applications for a demonstration of heavy duty municipal alternative fuel vehicles from the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and any territory of possession of the United States. Interested municipalities, and local school districts should contact the appropriate state office for applications for subawards. Financial Assistance for this solicitation is authorized by the DOE Reorganization Act, P.L. 95-91, and the DOE Financial Assistance Regulations, 10 CFR 600.

REVIEW, EVALUATION AND AWARD: Initial review for completeness will be performed at the Support Offices. The applications will be evaluated by the Office of Technical Assistance and the Office of Alternative Fuels according to the criteria set forth in the solicitation. It is currently anticipated that the review of applications will begin on or about July 1, 1995. Selections will be made by mid August, with anticipated award issuance by September 30, 1995.

Awards may be either grants or cooperative agreements, depending on amount of substantial involvement anticipated between the Department of Energy and the recipient during performance of the contemplated activity.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U. S. Department of Energy, Denver Regional Support Office, 2801 Youngfield St., Golden, CO., 80201, Attention: Louise S. Urgo, Contracting Officer.

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Office of Fossil Energy

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Progas U.S.A., Inc.; Order Granting Blanket Authorization To Import and Export Natural Gas From and To Canada

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of order.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy gives notice that it has issued an order granting ProGas U.S.A., Inc. authorization to import up to 800 Bcf and to export up to 200 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada. The term of the authorization is