

Understanding on February 15, 1994 to jointly prepare both EISs (MOU 1994). The co-preparation of the EIS streamlines the environmental review process while ensuring compliance with applicable Federal and State laws, regulations and policies.

The Draft SIS EIS, issued for public comment on July 22, 1994, evaluated a proposed action to construct up to six new tanks and associated infrastructure including a waste retrieval system (the Initial Tank Retrieval System), and a replacement waste transfer system (the Replacement Cross Site Transfer System) which would be required if dilution at a ratio of 3:1 was used to remedy the gas problem. The SIS EIS also evaluated a No Action Alternative which allowed continued operation of a mixer pump designed to regulate the release of the gas so that levels would not be flammable.

Comments on the proposed action were received from August 1994 through July 1995. Since issuance of the Draft SIS EIS, DOE obtained an independent assessment by Pacific Northwest Laboratories (PNL, 10105, September 1994) of the effectiveness of the mixer pump in 101-SY. The PNL report supported continued use of the mixer pump to stir the tanks waste, thus releasing Hydrogen gases at a more predictable and regular rate. This action has been determined to adequately mitigate the safety question regarding whether episodic releases or "burps" could be ignited and pose a risk for uncontrolled release of fission products. Accordingly, DOE now believes that through continued use of mixer pump, waste exhibiting gas release activity may continue to be safely stored in existing tanks and may not need to be removed and diluted prior to final treatment for disposal, therefore DOE may not have a need to build additional tanks in the near term.

As a result of the success of these actions taken and in response to comments from the public regarding a pronounced preference to proceed with the clean up and to not build additional high level waste (HLW) storage tanks, the DOE has decided to propose a Preferred Alternative in the Final SIS EIS which does not include construction of new HLW storage tanks in the near term.

However, DOE still has an on-going need to continue safe management of wastes in Hanford tanks in the interim or until such time as the TWRS EIS evaluates final waste treatment and disposal options. DOE has decided that the SIS EIS is an appropriate means for providing a NEPA review of the remaining Watchlist tank safety related

requirements in the interim. The Final SIS EIS will therefore evaluate a Preferred Alternative which includes construction of a Replacement Cross Site Transfer System (RCSTS) to replace the existing Cross Site Transfer System (ECSTS), because continued safe management of tank waste in the near term will require the assured capability for waste to be safely and reliably transferred between tank farm areas. The Preferred Alternative, would provide the means needed to move wastes from the 200 West area to the existing double-shell tanks (DSTs) located in 200 East area.

The Final SIS EIS will analyze the following alternatives to support continued safe storage and tank farm waste management activities: construction of a Replacement Cross-Site Transfer System (RCSTS); alternative waste transport by rail; alternative waste transport by truck transport; and construction of two new tanks in either the 200 West or 200 East areas.

#### Need for Action

Waste management of tank farms in the near term will require that DOE transfer waste in a reliable and compliant manner from the West side of the 200 area to the East side in order to safely manage waste and to expedite clean up of the Hanford Site. Part of that requirement is to remove salt well liquids (SWL) from older single-shell tanks (SSTs) and transfer to newer double-shell tanks (DSTs) to reduce the likelihood of liquid waste escaping from the corroded tanks into the environment. In the event of certain types of unsafe waste conditions, such as gas generation or tank leaks, DOE also may need to remove waste from one tank and place it in another tank. No additional waste is permitted to be added to SSTs, and most of the newer DSTs are located on the East side of the 200 area, necessitating waste transfers from West to East Areas. Additional requirements for safe management of tank wastes during the interim period prior to the TWRS EIS ROD could include retrieval of 102-SY solids, such that tank 102-SY could stage both organic and inorganic SWL for transfer.

The existing cross-site transfer system (ECSTS) is only partially usable, given that 4 of the 6 lines are either plugged or failed, and the other 2 lines may or may not prove usable after pressure testing. Recently a single line was tested and approximately 435,000 gallons of supernatant was transferred from Tank 102-SY in the 200 West Area, to a DST in the 200 East Area. However, the continuing viability of these lines is

uncertain and cannot be relied upon. In addition, the ECSTS was built prior to environmental protection requirements implemented by the Environmental Protection Agency under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 40 CFR 264.193, which requires double containment and leak detection capabilities for all hazardous waste tanks and ancillary equipment (e.g., piping). The ECSTS lines are also not compliant with the Washington State Dangerous Waste Regulations, WAC 173-303-640, which is the State requirement for double containment and leak detection capability. By mutual agreement between RL and Ecology, a limited amount of Salt Well Liquid may be transferred, until such time as RL implements a replacement waste transfer system. At present, waste containing solids may not be transferred via the ECSTS due to the likelihood of plugging the old lines.

DOE believes that continued safe management of wastes is supported in this Interim Action EIS, while the final treatment and disposal options are being evaluated in the TWRS EIS. The RCSTS will not prejudice consideration of any of the alternatives being evaluated in the TWRS EIS, as the ability to transfer liquids between tanks and areas is necessary even under a No Action alternative.

The public is invited to comment on the change in the Preferred Alternative pursuant to this notice for a period of 21 days. Comments received during this period and in response to the Final EIS will be responded to in the Record of Decision.

Issued in Richland, Washington this 5th day of October, 1995, for the United States Department of Energy.

Susan Brechbill,

*Acting Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office.*

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#### **Geothermal Reservoir Technology Research; Financial Assistance Solicitation**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office.

**ACTION:** Solicitation for Financial Assistance: Geothermal Reservoir Technology Research, Development and Demonstration.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Idaho Operations Office (ID), is seeking applications for research, development and demonstration (field testing) in the area of Geothermal Reservoir Technology. The research is to

be directed toward new technologies for exploration, identification of fractures, and location of fracture permeability. This is the complete solicitation document. This solicitation will remain open for two years.

**DATES:** Applications may be submitted at any time during the open two year solicitation period. The open period (that is, the time period during which applications will be accepted from applicants by DOE) for submission and receipt of applications in response to this solicitation is the twenty-four month period beginning on October 1, 1995 and ending at 4 p.m. MDT on September 30, 1997.

Prospective applicants intending to submit an application in response to this solicitation should request a DOE Application Instruction package (which includes standard forms, assurances and certifications), by writing to the DOE Contract Specialist. Facsimile requests are authorized.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications shall be submitted to: Procurement Services Division; Attention: SOL DE-PS07-96ID13399 (Bruns/Bauer); U. S. Department of Energy; Idaho Operations Office; 850 Energy Drive, MS 1221; Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carol Bruns, Contract Specialist, telephone (208) 526-1534, facsimile (208) 526-5548. The Contracting Officer is Brad Bauer, (208) 526-0090.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background:**

Projects sponsored by the DOE Office of Utility Technologies, Geothermal Division are based on the needs and concerns of the geothermal industry. One of the goals of this program is to advance the technology in geothermal reservoir identification by funding development and verification of research related to new technology for exploration, identification of fractures and location of fracture permeability. As part of this program, this solicitation for DOE financial assistance applications is being issued. Statutory authority for the issuance of this solicitation is Public Law 93-410, the Geothermal Energy Research, Development & Demonstration Act of 1974.

##### **Project Description**

DOE anticipates awarding several Financial Assistance Grants/Cooperative Agreements in accordance with DOE Financial Assistance regulations appearing at Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter II, Subchapter H, Part 600 (hereafter 10 CFR 600.xxx) if funding is available.

Under Cooperative Agreements it is anticipated there will be substantial involvement by DOE in accordance with 10 CFR 600.302. Federal funds available for this solicitation are expected to be from \$0—\$5,000,000 annually. *No fee or profit will be paid to the award recipients.*

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.087.

Applicants must identify a project period which does not exceed 5 years. Applications identifying a project period for two years or less may be eligible for DOE funding of up to \$700,000 for the entire project period. Projects for greater than 2 years may not exceed \$400,000 per year of DOE funding.

The period of performance for the first budget period is anticipated to be 12 months. If at the end of the first budget period, funds are available and the participant demonstrates a continuing need for federal assistance, there is sufficient progress in the research effort, and the recipient has completed the work in compliance with a mutually agreed management plan and identifies the new work planned, DOE may make a continuation award to undertake further work. Successful applicants will be required to submit quarterly, annual and a final report to DOE.

The objective of this solicitation is to support research, development and demonstration in the earth science aspects of hydrothermal resources. The research in this program is intended to combine laboratory and analytical investigations with equipment development and field testing to evaluate the utility of various analytical techniques. Successful applicants should recognize that geological, geochemical, geophysical, hydrological, and reservoir engineering characteristics of geothermal resources are highly interrelated, and close coordination should be maintained between all geoscientific aspects of the research activities.

Geothermal development is slowed in the United States by the lack of reliable techniques to locate new geothermal resources in areas with no surface manifestations. Industry has identified the critical need for new technology development to locate and characterize permeable fractures in geothermal areas. Geothermal development depends on fracture permeability to produce high flow rates of hot water or steam, and fractures are difficult to locate. These problems have resulted in lower drilling success rates and, consequently, higher drilling costs. Techniques are needed to

characterize fractures, to define reservoir boundaries, to assess fluid recharge, and to understand complex reservoirs. Many reservoirs have not reached full production potential because they cannot be sufficiently characterized to allow development of effective exploitation strategies. Production in geothermal fields may be limited by the available fluid, and efficient injection methods are needed to recover the large quantities of thermal energy still remaining in the reservoir. Chemical reactions between the fluids and rocks comprising a geothermal system may affect the productivity of a geothermal field and also impact surface operations.

Projects are sought in three interrelated research areas: (1) Exploration Technology—research to provide better tools, methods and data for resource identification; (2) Production and Injection Technology—research to reduce the risks associated with reservoir performance and to gain a better understanding of the effects of fluid injection into producing reservoirs; and (3) Advanced Brine Chemistry Technology—research to predict the chemical interaction of geothermal fluids and injectate with rocks, wells, and surface pipes.

An integral part of this program is the collection and release to the public of geoscientific data that can be used in the exploration and development of geothermal resources. The applicant's methods for transferring the technical information to the geothermal industry must be presented in the application.

#### **Application Requirements**

Each Application shall contain the following information and use the following format:

##### **1.0 Executive Summary**

- 1.1 Proposed program and why it is appropriate for the geothermal industry and the relationship to the objectives of the solicitation
- 1.2 Organizational Plan
- 1.3 Specialized Experience
- 1.4 Total costs broken down by task including overhead costs and non-federal cost share commitments if applicable
- 1.5 Nonproprietary summary of proposed project including project benefits suitable for public release (maximum of two pages)

##### **2.0 Critical Review of Technology Status**

- 2.1 Geothermal Technology Status including Emerging Technologies
- 2.2 Worldwide Technology Status including Emerging Technologies

## 2.3 Why domestic industry is not pursuing the proposed concept

### 3.0 Project Description

#### 3.1 Introduction, including how industry has participated in the selection of the proposed R&D

#### 3.2 Proposed concepts

#### 3.3 Technical feasibility and targets

#### 3.4 Hurdles to be overcome by the proposed R&D

### 4.0 Project Plan

#### 4.1 Project goals and scope

#### 4.2 Statement of work

#### 4.3 Work breakdown structure

#### 4.4 Milestone plan, schedule integration

#### 4.5 Technical targets, decision points and go/no-go decision criteria

#### 4.6 Spending plan by task, phase and year

#### 4.7 Sources of, and expectations concerning cost share and financing if applicable

#### 4.8 Technology transfer plan to industry and academia

### 5.0 Technical Capabilities

#### 5.1 Key personnel and responsibilities

#### 5.2 Related experience

#### 5.3 Facilities and equipment available

#### 5.4 Justification for and description of needed facilities and estimated costs

### 6.0 Project Management Plan

#### 6.1 Project organization and responsibilities

#### 6.2 Task integration and project coordination

#### 6.3 Project management structure including implementation and monitoring of R&D

#### 6.4 Management philosophy

#### 6.5 Reporting

### Qualified Applicants

For profit and not for profit organizations, state and local governments, Indian tribes and institutions of higher learning may submit applications in response to this solicitation. Applications may include Federally Funded Research and Development Centers, but only as lower tier participants with funding for their expected costs provided through their existing arrangements with the Government. OMB A-95 clearance is not required. Applicants may submit more than one application for any area of research within the scope of this solicitation. However, each application for research shall be submitted as an individual application submission.

An application which provides for the continuation of research previously funded by DOE under a financial assistance instrument may be evaluated

and considered for selection and award under this solicitation, provided that:

(1) The proposed research is within the specific area of research contemplated by this solicitation; (2) the application is received during the open period of this solicitation; and (3) the application is fully responsive to the requirements of this solicitation.

### Application Evaluation

*a. Application Deadlines:* The deadlines for receipt of applications are as follows: November 16, 1995; January 4, 1996; April 4, 1996; July 2, 1996; October 3, 1996; January 2, 1997; April 3, 1997; July 2, 1997; September 30, 1997. Applications received after 4:00 p.m. MDT on September 30, 1997 will be handled in accordance with 10 CFR 600.13.

*b. Selection of Applications:* Applications will undergo an initial programmatic review and then be held for a competitive evaluation and selection. Applications will be evaluated after receipt in the evaluation period occurring immediately after the application deadlines identified in a. above. Applications which are not selected during an evaluation period will not be reconsidered during any subsequent evaluation period. However, unsuccessful applicants may resubmit new or modified applications for consideration during subsequent evaluation periods.

The initial programmatic review will determine (1) the responsiveness and completeness of the application to the requirements of the solicitation, and (2) that the application does not unduly duplicate work already funded. If, after completion of the initial review, an application is determined not to meet the requirements stated in this paragraph, the applicant shall be promptly notified that its application has been eliminated from any further consideration and the general basis for the determination.

After the selection of a technology for funding, DOE may, if necessary, enter into negotiations with an applicant prior to the award of a financial assistance instrument. Such negotiations are not a commitment that DOE will make an award. Resultant awards will be negotiated, awarded, and administered by DOE in accordance with 10 CFR 600—Financial Assistance Rules.

Only those applications which meet all of the requirements of this solicitation will be considered for selection. Evaluation, scoring and selection will be made in accordance with the following selection criteria and programmatic considerations. The

applications must be fully responsive to each of the criteria.

*Criterion 1: (The Project and Relevance)* The overall scientific and technical merit of the application including the merit and value of related research performed by the Applicant. The appropriateness of the proposed method or approach in helping DOE to achieve its research program goals identified in this solicitation;

*Criterion 2: (The People and The Workplace)* The qualifications, capabilities, experience, and demonstrated past performance of the applicant, principal investigator, and/or key personnel. The adequacy of the applicant's facilities and resources;

*Criterion 3—(Management)* The adequacy of the applicant's management plan;

*Criterion 4—(The Cost)* The realism of the proposed costs relative to known research conducted under similar circumstances. While cost share is not mandatory, any cost share proposed which meets the requirements of 10 CFR 600.123 will be given positive consideration;

*Criterion 5—(Technology Transfer)* The clear identification of a viable method to facilitate the transfer of the technology to the geothermal industry at the earliest practicable time.

*c. Weighting of Criteria:* The Evaluation Criteria are weighted in the following manner: The criteria will be based on a maximum of 100 points. Criterion 1 has a maximum point value of 45. Criterion 2 has a maximum point value of 25. Criterion 3, 4, and 5 each have a point value of 10.

*d. Programmatic Selection Considerations:* In conjunction with the evaluation results and rankings of individual applications, the Government will make selections for negotiations and planned awards from among the highest ranking applications utilizing the following programmatic consideration:

It is desirable to implement each research and development project as a continuing collaborative effort in which the participants represent both the scientific/engineering research disciplines as well as members of the geothermal industry.

*e. Merit Reviews:* All Applications will be evaluated under the procedure for "Objective Merit Review of Discretionary Financial Assistance Applications" which was published in the Federal Register on May 31, 1990 (Vol. 55, No. 105). Selection of applications for negotiation is anticipated to be made no later than 60 days after the dates identified in paragraph b. immediately above. It is

anticipated that award of financial assistance instruments will be made no later than 60 days after selection of applications for negotiation.

#### General Conditions

The applications will be evaluated in accordance with the procedure for "Objective Merit Review of Discretionary Financial Assistance Applications," and the criteria and programmatic considerations set forth in this solicitation. In conducting this evaluation, the Government may utilize assistance and advice from non-Government personnel. Applicants are therefore requested to state on the cover sheet of their applications if they do not consent to an evaluation by such non-Government personnel. The applicants are further advised that DOE may be unable to give full consideration to an application submitted without such consent. DOE reserves the right to support or not to support any, all, or any part of any application. All applicants will be notified in writing of the action taken on their applications promptly after selection decisions have been made. Status of any application during the evaluation and selection process will not be discussed with the applicants. Unsuccessful applications will not be returned.

#### Instructions for Preparation of Applications

Each application in response to this solicitation should be prepared in one volume. One original and nine copies of each application are required.

Applications shall be a maximum of 40 pages excluding costing information and assurance and certification forms provided in the DOE Application Instruction package. The application face sheet is the Standard Form 424. The application is to be prepared for the complete project period.

##### *a. Proprietary Application*

**Information:** Applications submitted in response to this solicitation may contain trade secrets and/or privileged or confidential commercial or financial information which the applicant does not want used or disclosed for any purpose other than evaluation of the application. The use and disclosure of such data may be restricted provided the applicant marks the cover sheet of the application with the following legend, specifying the pages of the application which are to be restricted in accordance with the conditions of the legend:

"The data contained in pages \_\_\_\_\_ of this application have been submitted in confidence and contain trade secrets or proprietary information, and such data shall

be used or disclosed only for evaluation purposes, provided that if this applicant receives an award as a result of or in connection with the submission of this application, DOE shall have the right to use or disclose the data herein to the extent provided in the award. This restriction does not limit the government's right to use or disclose data obtained without restriction from any source, including the applicant."

Further, to protect such data, each page containing such data shall be specifically identified and marked, including each line or paragraph containing the data to be protected with a legend similar to the following:

"Use or disclosure of the data set forth above is subject to the restriction on the cover page of this application."

It should be noted, however, that data bearing the aforementioned legend may be subject to release under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), if DOE or a court determines that the material so marked is not exempt under the FOIA. The Government assumes no liability for disclosure or use of unmarked data and may use or disclose such data for any purpose. Applicants are hereby notified that DOE intends to make all applications submitted available to non-Government personnel for the sole purpose of assisting the DOE in its evaluation of the applications. These individuals will be required to protect the confidentiality of any specifically identified information obtained as a result of their participation in the evaluation.

Applicants must submit with each application a brief nonproprietary (maximum two page) summary of the proposed project including anticipated benefits for release to the public (Part 1.5 of Executive Summary).

*b. Budget:* A budget period is an interval of time (usually 12 months) into which the project period is divided for funding and reporting purposes. Project period means the total approved period of time that DOE will provide support contingent upon satisfactory progress and availability of funds. The project period may be divided into several budget periods. Each application must contain Standard Forms 424 and 424A.

The budget summary page only needs to be completed for the first budget period; all other periods of support requested should be shown on the total costs page. The application should contain full details of the costs regarding the labor, overhead, material, travel, subcontracts, consultants, and other support costs broken down by task and by year. Every cost item should be justifiable and further details of the costs may be required if the application

is selected for the award. It is essential that requested details be submitted in a timely manner for the actual award. Items of needed equipment should be individually listed by description and estimated cost, inclusive of tax, and adequately justified. The destination and purpose of budgeted travel and its relation to the research, should be specified. Anticipated consultant services should be justified and information furnished on each individual's expertise, primary organizational affiliation, daily compensation rate and number of days of expected service. Consultant's travel costs should be listed separately under travel in the budget.

*c. Cost Application:* The cost application should have sufficient detail that an independent evaluation of the labor, materials, equipment and other costs as well as a verification of the proposed cost share (if any) can be performed. Complete cost detail should be broken down by task.

#### Notices to Applicants

*a. False Statements:* Applications must set forth full, accurate, and complete information as required by this solicitation. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

*b. Application Clarification:* DOE reserves the right to require applications to be clarified or supplemented to the extent considered necessary either through additional written submissions or oral presentations.

*c. Amendments:* All amendments to this solicitation will be published in the Federal Register.

*d. Applicant's Past Performance:* DOE reserves the right to solicit from available sources relevant information concerning an applicant's past performance and may consider such information in its evaluation.

*e. Commitment of Public Funds:* The Contracting Officer is the only individual who can legally commit the Government to the expenditure of public funds in connection with the proposed award. Any other commitment, either explicit or implied, is invalid.

*f. Effective Period of Application:* All applications should remain in effect for at least 180 days from the submission date.

*g. Availability of Funds:* The actual amount of funds to be obligated in each fiscal year will be subject to availability of funds appropriated by Congress. DOE reserves the right to fund in whole or in part, any, all or none of the applications submitted in response to this solicitation.

*h. Loans under DOE Minority Economic Impact (MEI) Loan Program:* Applicants are advised that loans under the DOE MEI Loan Program are not available to finance the cost of preparing an application pursuant to this solicitation.

*i. Assurances and Certifications:* DOE requires the submission of preaward assurances of compliance and certifications which are mandated by law. The assurance and certification forms will be provided in the DOE Application Instruction package.

*j. Preaward Costs:* The government is not liable for any costs incurred in preparation of an application. Awardees may incur preaward costs up to ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of award. Should the awardee take such action, it is done so at the awardee's risk and does not impose any obligation on the DOE to issue an award (10 CFR 600.125).

*k. Patents, Data, and Copyrights:* Applicants are advised that patents, data, and copyrights will be treated in accordance with 10 CFR 600.33.

*l. Environmental impact:* An applicant environmental checklist will be provided in the DOE Application Instruction package. Award will not be made until all environmental requirements are completed.

*m. Buy American Requirements:* Congress may, through appropriations legislation, require applicants to comply with sections 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.S.C. 10a-10c, popularly known as the "Buy American Act"). Proposers are advised that they should be prepared to comply with this requirement.

*n. EPACT:* Section 2306 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPACT) [42 U.S.C. 13525] does not apply to financial assistance instruments issued as a result of this solicitation.

Dated: September 22, 1995.

B. G. Bauer,

Acting Director, Procurement Services Division.

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#### **Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Monticello Site**

**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 Board Committee Meeting: Environmental Management Site-

Specific Advisory Board, Monticello Site.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, October 17, 1995, 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

**ADDRESS:** Monticello City Hall, 17 North 1st East, Monticello, Utah 84535.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Audrey Berry, Public Affairs Specialist, Department of Energy Grand Junction Projects Office, P.O. Box 2567, Grand Junction, CO, 81502 (303) 248-7727.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to advise DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Tentative Agenda:* Reports from subcommittees on local training and hiring, health and safety, and future land use.

*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 Audrey Berry's office 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 Official 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. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved prior to publication.

*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 by writing to Audrey Berry, Department of Energy Grand Junction Projects Office, P.O. Box 2567, Grand Junction, CO 81502, or by calling her at (303)-248-7727.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 10, 1995.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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#### **Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Pantex Plant, Amarillo, TX**

**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), Pantex Plant, Amarillo, Texas.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, October 24, 1995: 1:30 pm-5:30 pm.

**ADDRESSES:** Boatman's First National Bank, Centennial Room, 8th and Fillmore, Amarillo, TX.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tom Williams, Program Manager, Department of Energy, Amarillo Area Office, P.O. Box 30030, Amarillo, TX 79120, (806) 477-3121.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Purpose of the Committee**

The Pantex Plant Citizens' Advisory Board provides input to the Department of Energy on Environmental Management strategic decisions that impact future use, risk management, economic development, and budget prioritization activities.

##### **Tentative Agenda**

- 1:30 pm Welcome—Introductions—Approval of Minutes
- 1:40 pm Co-Chairs' Comments
- 2:00 pm Task Force Reports
  - Public Participation/Public Information
  - Environmental Restoration
  - Sitewide Environmental Impact Statements
  - Future of the Nuclear Complex
  - Waste Management
- 2:30 pm Updates
  - Occurrence Reports—DOE
  - Water Treatability
- 3:30 pm Break
- 3:45 pm Presentation
  - Employee Concerns Process
- 4:30 pm Subcommittee Reports
  - Budget and Finance
  - Community Outreach
  - Policy and Personnel
  - Program and Training
  - Nominations
- 5:30 pm Adjourn

Public comment will be taken periodically throughout the meeting.

##### **Public Participation**

The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the