

then transported to an off site location. The CWM containing chemical agents would then be either chemically treated or thermally destroyed or disposed of by another method at the off-site location.

No Action—CWM containing chemical agent already in storage and RDT&E materiel would continue to be stored. CWM containing chemical agent recovered in the future would be packaged in accordance with appropriate transport regulations and then transported to an off-site location for long term storage at a permitted location.

For all disposal alternatives, treated residual metal parts would likely be recycled or disposed of in accordance with applicable environmental regulations.

The PEIS, as currently envisioned, will not evaluate specific off-site/on-site treatment and/or destruction/disposal locations under these strategies. Should the Army select an off-site destruction/disposal strategy, further environmental review would be required to determine the potential environmental consequences of implementing that strategy at that specific location. The PEIS will also not evaluate on-site contamination. This contamination will be handled under established environmental remediation/restoration procedures and regulations.

The important environmental issues that have been identified on a preliminary basis for evaluation and analysis in the PEIS are: (1) The potential impacts of the alternative strategies on air quality, water resources, and land resources; (2) the potential impacts to public health from the implementation of the destruction technologies; (3) the potential impacts to public health and safety from accidents that could occur during the handling, transport, storage, and destruction of CWM; and (4) the potential socioeconomic impacts of the alternative strategies.

Scoping Process

Scoping, which is integral to the NEPA process, is a procedure that solicits input to the EIS process to ensure that issues are identified early and properly studied. Scoping commences after a decision is made to prepare an EIS in order to provide an early and open process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying the significant issues related to a proposed action. The scope of issues to be addressed in the draft PEIS will be determined, in part, from written comments received by mail and oral comments received and recorded by phone and at the public meetings. The

preliminary identification of alternatives and environmental issues is not meant to be exhaustive or final. The Army considers the scoping process to be open and dynamic in the sense that alternatives other than those given above may warrant study and new matters may be identified for potential evaluation.

The scoping process will include both interagency and public scoping. The public is invited to submit written comments or provide oral comments at a meeting or by phone to the addresses and phone numbers listed under the **DATES** section of this notice and/or attend a public meeting that will be announced in area news media.

The Army will use the public input received during scoping to develop a Statement of Scope to guide preparation of the PEIS. After completion, the Statement of Scope will be made available to scoping participants and the public upon request. The draft PEIS prepared from the scoping process will be made available for public review and comment. Notice of availability of the draft PEIS will be announced, written comments on the draft solicited, and information about a possible public meeting to comment on the draft will be published at a future date. The Army expects to release a final PEIS by mid-1999.

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Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 24 & 25 October 1996.

Time of Meeting: 0930-1600, 24 Oct 96, 0930-1600, 25 Oct 96.

Place: Pentagon—Washington, DC.

Agenda: The Army Science Board (ASB) Summer Study on "Technical Architecture C4I" will meet for briefings and discussions. These meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of title 5, U.S.C., specifically subparagraph (4) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The proprietary matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of these

meetings. For further information, please contact Michelle Diaz at (703) 695-0781.

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Program Support Specialist, Army Science Board.

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Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 17 & 18 October 1996.

Time of Meeting: 0900-1600, 17 Oct 96, 0900-1700, 18 Oct 96.

Place: Pentagon—Washington, DC.

Agenda: The Army Science Board (ASB) Ad Hoc Study on "Global Broadcast Service" will meet for briefings and discussions on the study subject. These meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of title 5, U.S.C., specifically subparagraph (4) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C. Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The proprietary matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of these meetings. For further information, please contact Michelle Diaz at (703) 695-0781.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Intent To Repay to the Maine Department of Education Funds Recovered as a Result of a Final Audit Determination

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Correction notice.

DATE OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS: On April 2, 1996, the Secretary published in the Federal Register (61 FR 14598) a notice of intent to award grantback funds to the Maine Department of Education. Detailed information concerning the intended grantback award was contained in that notice. The purpose of this notice is to correct the execution date of the settlement agreement that resolved one of the audits, ACN: 01-93025, involved in the intended grantback award and to correct the period of availability of funds awarded through this grantback.

The execution date of the settlement agreement for ACN: 01-93025 is "December 2, 1992." The funds