

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Wendy Taylor, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director of the Information Resources Management Group publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: March 20, 1997.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Director, Information Resources Management Group.*

**Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services**

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* List of Hearing Officers—Recordkeeping.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't SEAs or LEAs.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 1,600

Burden Hours: 1,600

*Abstract:* Under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, each local educational agency receiving Part B funds must keep a list of persons who serve as hearing officers along with their qualifications. The list serves to provide interested parties of the background of hearing officers.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Notice of Solicitation for Financial Assistance Number DE-PS07-97ID13520—Geothermal Power Initiative**

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID) is seeking cost shared applications that promote the commercialization of geothermal energy and result in a near-term increase in the amount of electrical power generated from geothermal energy in the United States. Applications are being solicited in two areas: (1) Projects that will result in new geothermal power production either from new plants or from retrofits to existing plants; or (2) research and development of technologies that will improve performance or reduce the costs associated with geothermal power plants. Approximately \$1,100,000 in federal funds is available to fund the selected project(s) under this solicitation. DOE anticipates making one or more cooperative agreement awards for projects with durations of three years or less. A minimum of 50% non-federal cost share is required for new or retrofit power plant power production projects. A minimum of 20% non-federal cost share is required for geothermal research and development projects. Collaborations between industry, national laboratory, and university participants are encouraged.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Trudy Thorne, Contract Specialist; Procurement Services Division; U.S. DOE, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, MS 1221, Idaho Falls, ID 83401-1563; telephone (208) 526-9519; E-mail thorneta@inel.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The statutory authority for the program is

Geothermal Energy Research, Development and Demonstration (Pub. L. 93-410), and the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-486, as amended by Pub. L. 103-437 on November 2, 1994). The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number for this program is 81.087. The solicitation text is expected to be posted on the DOE-ID Procurement Services Division home page on or about March 25, 1997, and may be accessed using Universal Resource Locator address <http://www.inel.gov/doeid/solicit.html>. Application package forms will not be included on the home page and should be requested from the contract specialist. Requests for application packages must be written. Include company name, mailing address, point of contact, telephone number, and fax number. Write to the contract specialist at the address above, via fax number (208) 526-5548, or via E-mail to thorneta@inel.gov.

Issued in Idaho Falls, Idaho, on March 19, 1997.

**Brad G. Bauer,**

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**Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Department of Energy, Los Alamos National Laboratory**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Los Alamos National Laboratory.

**DATES:** Tuesday, April 8, 1997: 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.; 8:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. (public comment session).

**ADDRESSES:** Northern New Mexico Community College, 1002 North Oñate Street, Española, New Mexico 87532.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Ann DuBois, Los Alamos National Laboratory Citizens' Advisory Board Support, Northern New Mexico Community College, 1002 Onate Street, Espanola, NM 87352, (800)753-8970, or (505)753-8970, or (505)262-1800.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Advisory Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its