

It is anticipated that approximately \$6 million will be available for grant awards during FY 1998, contingent upon availability of appropriated funds. Multiple year funding of grant awards is expected, with out-year funding also contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds, progress of the research, and programmatic needs. It is expected that most awards will be from one to three years and that there will be one award for approximately \$4 million per year (total costs) with the remaining 4–6 awards in the \$200 thousand to \$400 thousand per year (total costs) range. The dissemination of materials and research data in a timely manner is essential for progress towards the goals of the DOE Human Genome Program. OHER requires the timely sharing of resources and data. Applicants should, in their applications, discuss their plans for disseminating research data and materials which may include, where appropriate, putting cell lines, probes, sequence data, etc., into public repositories. Funds to defray the costs of disseminating materials or submitting data to repositories are allowable; however, such requests must be adequately justified.

Applications will be subjected to formal merit review (peer review) and will be evaluated against the following evaluation criteria which are listed in descending order of importance codified at 10 CFR 605.10(d):

1. Scientific and/or Technical Merit of the Project;
2. Appropriateness of the Proposed Method or Approach;
3. Competency of Applicant's personnel and Adequacy of Proposed Resources;
4. Reasonableness and Appropriateness of the Proposed Budget.

The evaluation will include program policy factors such as the relevance of the proposed research to the terms of the announcement and an agency's programmatic needs. Note, external peer reviewers are selected with regard to both their scientific expertise and the absence of conflict-of-interest issues. Non-federal reviewers will often be used, and submission of an application constitutes agreement that this is acceptable to the investigator(s) and the submitting institution.

Information about development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluation, selection process, and other policies and procedures may be found in the ER Application Guide for the Office of Energy Research Financial Assistance Program 10 CFR Part 605, which is available on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.er.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>. The ER, as part of its grant regulations, requires at 10 CFR 605.11(b) that a grantee funded by ER and performing research involving recombinant DNA molecules and/or organisms and viruses containing recombinant DNA molecules shall comply with the National Institutes of Health "Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant DNA Molecules" (51 FR 16958, May 7, 1986), or such later revision of those guidelines as may be published in the **Federal Register**.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049 and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR Part 605.

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John Rodney Clark,

Associate Director for Resource Management, Office of Energy Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

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), Oak Ridge Reservation

DATES: Wednesday, July 9, 1997, 6:00 p.m.–9:30 p.m.

ADDRESS: Ramada Inn, 420 South Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandy Perkins, Site-Specific Advisory Board Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, 105 Broadway, Oak Ridge, TN 37830, (423) 576-1590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda: The meeting will feature Mr. Al Alm, DOE's Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, who will discuss the Department's Accelerated Cleanup Plan.

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 Sandy Perkins 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 in advance of the meeting due to programmatic issues that needed to be resolved.

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 at the Department of Energy's Information Resource Center at 105 Broadway, Oak Ridge, TN between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; 8:30 am and 7:00 pm on Tuesday and Thursday; and 9:00 am and 1:00 pm on Saturday, or by writing to Sandy Perkins, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, 105 Broadway, Oak Ridge, TN 37830, or by calling her at (423) 576-1590.

Issued at Washington, DC on June 26, 1997.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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, August 19, 1997, 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: San Juan County Courthouse, 2nd Floor Conference