

construction of the new facility within this drainage corridor.

In accordance with DOE regulations for compliance with floodplain and wetland environmental review requirements (10 CFR part 1022), DOE will prepare a floodplain assessment for this proposed DOE action. The overall proposed action was previously evaluated under the NEPA process, with an environmental assessment (EA) (DOE/EA-1246) with a Floodplain Statement of Findings and a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) being issued in October of 1998. However, in an effort to reduce the total project cost, the proposed location for the flow management basin and artificial wetland facility was relocated from that site described in the EA to the new area within the A-01 outfall discharge channel. This facility relocation enabled the elimination of the entire piped collection system, thereby eliminating the cost and environmental impacts associated with that portion of the previous scope of the proposed action. A biological evaluation and wetlands determination of the new project location have not identified either any potential impacts to protected species or the presence of any jurisdictional wetlands. Based on the floodplain assessment to be conducted on the revised project scope, a floodplain statement of findings will be included in any revised FONSI that is issued pursuant to this proposed action or may be issued separately.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Golden Field Office; Supplemental Announcement to the Broad Based Solicitation for Financial Assistance Applications Involving Research, Development and Demonstration for the Office of Energy, Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Photovoltaics for Utility Scale Applications (PVUSA)

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Supplemental Announcement 06 to the Broad Based Solicitation for Financial Assistance Applications DE-PS36-99GO10383.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the DOE Financial Assistance Rules, 10 CFR 600.8, is announcing its intention to solicit applications for Photovoltaics for

Utility Scale Applications. The financial assistance award issued under this Supplemental Announcement will be a cooperative agreement.

DATES: The solicitation will be issued on or about March 31, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Solicitation once issued, can be obtained from the Golden Field Office Home page at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/golden/solicitations.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE is soliciting Applications to: maintain and operate the PVUSA California test site, located in Davis, California; provide performance assessments of the individual systems; and disseminate information to utilities and other users. PVUSA's primary objective is to evaluate a wide range of promising PV module and balance of system (BOS) technologies. PVUSA is a national public-private partnership composed of private industry, local governments, utilities, utility-related industries, and Federal entities. The partnership is conducting a project that assesses and demonstrates the viability of utility-scale photovoltaic (PV) electric generating systems and recent developments in module technology and encourages commercialization of promising PV technologies. DOE, as a participant of PVUSA, is supporting the operation and maintenance of the PVUSA California test site. At the PVUSA California test site, PV systems and components are evaluated and the information disseminated to utilities, manufacturers, National laboratories, and industry. The project offers manufacturers feedback on component reliability, availability, and standardization which may lead to cost reductions. The fielded systems represent mature module technologies that have the potential to produce low-cost energy and meet the Operation and Maintenance (O&M), power quality, reliability, and lifetime requirements necessary for a wide variety of applications, from remote power to utility applications. This project also exposes the PV industry to commercial procurement and construction practices. For more information about PVUSA, see the PVUSA web site at <http://www.pvusa.com>. The award under this Supplemental Announcement will be a Cooperative Agreement with a term of up to 36 months. Subject to the availability of funding, DOE anticipates selecting one application for award with funding not to exceed \$600,000 per year. A minimum cost share of 50% of the total project cost is required. Solicitation Number DE-PS36-99GO10383, in conjunction with this

Supplemental Announcement-06, will include complete information on the program including technical aspects, funding, application preparation instructions, application evaluation criteria, and other factors that will be considered when selecting projects for funding. Issuance of the Supplemental Announcement is planned for the week of March 29, 1999, with responses due on May 6, 1999. Questions should be submitted in writing to: John P. Motz, DOE Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401-3393; transmitted via facsimile to John P. Motz at (303) 275-4788; or electronically to john_motz@nrel.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Motz, Contract Specialist, at 303-275-4737, e-mail john_motz@nrel.gov, or Robert Martin, Project Officer, at 303-275-4763, e-mail robert_martin@nrel.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

AGENCY: Department of Energy

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, April 19, 1999, 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: College Hill Library, (Front Range Community College), 3705 West 112th Avenue, Westminster, CO.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, EM SSAB-Rocky Flats, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021, phone: (303) 420-7855, fax: (303) 420-7579.

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:

1. Second part of discussion on low-level waste disposition issues; responses to questions, comments, and inquiry