

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Approximately \$2,700,000 in federal funds are expected to be available to fund the first year of selected research efforts. DOE anticipates making 2 or more cooperative agreement awards each with a duration of five years or less. A minimum 50% non-federal cost-share is required for the *total* project which includes research, development and demonstration. The minimum research and development cost share is 30%. Collaborations between industry, industry organizations, university, and National Laboratory participants are encouraged. The issuance date of the solicitation is on or about May 3, 1999. The solicitation will be available in its full text via the internet at the following address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doeid/PSD/proc-div.html>. The statutory authority for the program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-577). The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number for this program is 81.086.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Supplemental notice of open meeting.

On April 6, 1999, the Department of Energy published a notice announcing an open meeting of the American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics 64 FR 16727. This notice provides additional detail on the tentative agenda published. The meeting will open in room 8E-089, followed by concurrent morning sessions on Thursday, April 29, 1999 and Friday, April 30, 1999. Please refer to the poster in Room 8E-089 for the concurrent session room numbers.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****National Stakeholder Forum on Central Internet Database**

**AGENCY:** Office of Environmental Management, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of a National Stakeholder Forum.

**SUMMARY:** DOE is sponsoring a forum on the development of a Central Internet Database ("CID" or "database") that will contain specified information on DOE managed waste, contaminated environmental media, and facilities. DOE is developing this database and sponsoring this forum pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement between DOE, the Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc., and several other organizations. The purposes of this forum are: (1) To inform and discuss with stakeholders the current status of the development of the database and review the data that will be contained in the database; (2) to engage in a dialogue with stakeholders about the continued development of, and possible enhancements to, the outline and structure of the database; (3) to discuss Internet linkages to other data sources; and (4) to discuss opportunities for ongoing stakeholder involvement in the development and implementation of the database. The forum is open to the public. However, pre-registration is strongly recommended to assist DOE in logistical planning for the forum. Detailed registration information is provided below.

**DATES:** June 3-4, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Columbia Inn Hotel and Conference Center, 10207 Wincopia Circle, Columbia, MD 21044.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James D. Werner, 202-586-9280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****1. Background**

On December 12, 1998, DOE and the Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. (NRDC), on its own behalf and that of 38 other plaintiff organizations, settled a lawsuit (*Natural Resources Defense Council, et al. v. Richardson, et al.*, Civ No. 97-936 (SS)). The terms of the settlement agreement require DOE to complete three major items: (1) Develop and implement a Central Internet Database (CID) containing specified information on DOE waste, facilities, and contaminated media, as well as information on waste transfers; (2) conduct a study of DOE's long-term stewardship activities; and (3) establish a \$6.25 million fund, to be administered by an independent organization (RESOLVE, Inc.), enabling recipient

organizations to conduct technical and scientific reviews of DOE's environmental management activities. In connection with the development of this database, DOE agreed to hold at least two national stakeholders forums to discuss with members of the public issues relating to the development of the database. The first of these forums is the subject of this notice.

Additional information on the settlement agreement is available through an Internet web site (see URL given below) or by contacting the DOE point of contact, James D. Werner, at the address listed below.

**2. Central Internet Database Requirements**

From 1980 to 1996, the Department compiled, on a national basis, information about its waste, contaminated media, and spent nuclear fuel in a system, called the "Integrated Database" or "IDB." The new database (the CID) will, in part, supplant the IDB and will include more information and make it more readily accessible than the IDB. The CID will contain specified information on the wastes, contaminated media, facilities, spent nuclear fuel, and materials in inventory managed by DOE's Offices of Environmental Management, Defense Programs, Science, and Nuclear Energy. The database will also include data from the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) sites, if they have been returned to DOE for management, as well as sites governed by Section 151(b) of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act that have been transferred to DOE ownership. (To date, no sites have been transferred to DOE under section 151(b). FUSRAP sites that have not already been cleaned up, are currently managed by the Army Corps of Engineers).

Under the terms of the settlement, DOE will include in the CID, data that are presently available and collected by DOE on a national level, or that are presently planned to be collected in the future by DOE on a national level. For example, specific information will be provided on waste types and volumes of material and waste in storage, as well as newly generated, treated, and disposed waste; the mass of spent nuclear fuel in storage and the annual receipts of spent nuclear fuel; the major chemical constituents and radionuclides of concern; the program responsible for generation and disposition; and the location, managing program, approximate square footage, status, and type of contamination for DOE facilities. The database will not include any information that is classified,