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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Randolph-Sheppard Act (20 U.S.C. 107d-2(c)) (the Act), the Secretary publishes in the **Federal Register** a synopsis of each arbitration panel decision affecting the administration of vending facilities on Federal and other property.

### Background

This dispute concerns the alleged improper denial by the Michigan Commission for the Blind, the State licensing agency (SLA), of Mr. Michael L. Adams' request to bid on a vending route at the Kalamazoo Psychiatric Facility in Kalamazoo, Michigan. A summary of the facts is as follows: On October 22, 1996, an opportunity to manage a vending route became available and was advertised under the SLA's established procedures. Complainant bid on the vending route. The SLA found that the candidate with the most seniority was not in compliance with its rules and policies. Complainant alleges that, while he was second in line in seniority and was in compliance, he was not selected.

Complainant alleges several irregularities in the SLA's procedures in awarding the vending route. First, complainant alleges that the SLA failed to award the vending route in accordance with its own rules and regulations regarding the timeframe of the award.

Second, complainant alleges that he, as the next qualified bidder, did not receive an offer from the SLA to operate the vending route because of complaints received about him from one of the facilities on the route. Complainant further states that, while the vending route was developed with the full participation of the Elected Committee of Blind Vendors, it was changed after private phone calls to members by the Business Enterprise Program staff and was not presented to an open committee meeting.

Complainant requested an administrative review of this matter, which was held on December 12, 1996. Subsequently, complainant requested that the SLA convene a full evidentiary hearing, which was held on March 26, 1997, and April 22, 1997.

In a decision dated May 30, 1997, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) recommended that the SLA evaluate the qualifications of the vendors who responded to the October 22, 1996, bid announcement for the vending route. If the SLA found the complainant to be the successful bidder, the ALJ ruled that

the complainant should, with certain stipulations, be awarded the vending route.

In a letter dated June 23, 1997, the SLA transmitted to complainant a copy of its final agency action dated June 16, 1997, which rejected the decision of the ALJ.

On September 15, 1997, complainant was notified that the SLA intended to revoke his vending license at the Kalamazoo Psychiatric Hospital for alleged failure to comply with routine business and food service practices and to sign in and out of the facility. On November 24, 1997, Mr. Adams filed a request for a full evidentiary hearing, which was held on February 10, 1998. In a decision dated April 22, 1998, the ALJ recommended that the SLA not revoke Mr. Adams' vending facility license. In a letter dated June 15, 1998, the SLA transmitted to complainant a copy of its final agency action rejecting the ALJ's decision and revoking Mr. Adams' vending license.

In November, 1998, complainant amended his original complaint to include the issue of license revocation. It is these two decisions that complainant sought to have reviewed by a Federal arbitration panel. An arbitration panel heard these matters on April 27, 1999, and on August 17 and 20, 1999, respectively.

### Arbitration Panel Decision

The issues before the arbitration panel were (1) whether the Michigan Commission for the Blind violated the Act (20 U.S.C. 107b-1(3)), the implementing regulations (34 CFR 395.14), and its own rules and regulations in allegedly improperly denying the complainant's bid on a vending route; and (2) whether the Michigan Commission for the Blind violated the Act, implementing regulations, and its own rules and regulations in improperly revoking Mr. Adams' vending license.

In a decision dated August 29, 1999, regarding issue #1, the majority of the panel after deliberation determined to adopt in total the decision and recommendation of the ALJ dated May 30, 1997. The majority ruled that Mr. Adams be compensated as follows: Mr. Adams must, for 12 months from the date of the award, be considered a priority bidder for any location within 50 miles of his home for any location or route for which he is qualified. Additionally, Mr. Adams is to respond to any offer with regard to a route or location within 7 days of that announcement.

Concerning issue #2, the complainant's license revocation, the

majority of the panel after reviewing the ALJ's decision on April 22, 1998, determined that it should be adopted in total. The panel further ruled that Mr. Adams' vending license should be reinstated immediately and that Mr. Adams is to receive unbroken seniority from his original date of seniority to the present time.

One panel member dissented.

The views and opinions expressed by the panel do not necessarily represent the views and opinions of the U.S. Department of Education.

Dated: May 3, 2000.

**Judith E. Heumann,**

*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Los Alamos

**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), Los Alamos. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, May 24, 2000, 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Highlands University, Kennedy Hall, 11th Street & University Avenue, Las Vegas, NM.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann DuBois, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board, 1640 Old Pecos Trail, Suite H, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Phone: 505-989-1662; Fax: 505-989-1752; E-mail: [adubois@doeal.gov](mailto:adubois@doeal.gov); or Internet <http://www.nmcab.org>

### 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

6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Opening Activities  
6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Public Comment, Committee Reports: Environmental Restoration Monitoring and Surveillance Waste Management Community Outreach

**Budget**

Other Board business will be conducted as necessary.

**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 Ann DuBois 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 Deputy 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 at the beginning of the meeting.

**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 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 528 35th Street, Los Alamos, NM 87544. Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Monday-Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Ann DuBois at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on May 4, 2000.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River**

**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), Savannah River. Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Monday, May 22, 2000; 3:30 p.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2000; 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** All meetings will be held at: DeSoto Hilton, 15 East Liberty Street, Savannah, GA 31412.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Gerri Flemming, Office of Environmental Quality, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC 29802; (803) 725-5374.

**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***Monday, May 22, 2000*

3:30 p.m. Executive Committee  
6:30 p.m. Public Comment Session  
7:00 p.m. Committee Meetings  
9:00 p.m. Adjourn

*Tuesday, May 23, 2000*

8:30 a.m. Approval of Minutes, Agency Updates  
Public Comment Session  
Facilitator Update  
Nuclear Materials Committee Report  
Strategic and Long Term Issues Committee Report  
Public Comment  
12 p.m. Lunch Break  
1 p.m. Center for Disease Health Effects Subcommittee Presentation  
Waste Management Committee Report  
Environmental Remediation Committee Report  
Administrative Committee Report  
Public Comments  
4 p.m. Adjourn

If needed, time will be allotted after public comments for items added to the agenda, and administrative details. A final agenda will be available at the meeting.

**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 Gerri Flemming's office 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 Deputy 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 before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that needed to be resolved prior to publication.

**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 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Gerri Flemming, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC 29802, or by calling (803) 725-5374.

Issued at Washington, DC on May 4, 2000.

**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Sandia**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM-SSAB), Kirtland Area Office (Sandia).

**DATES:** Wednesday, May 17, 2000, 5:30 p.m.-9 p.m. (MST).

**ADDRESSES:** West Mesa Community Center, 5500 Glenrio Street, NW, Albuquerque, NM 87185, (505) 768-3499.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mike Zamorski, Acting Manager, Department of Energy Kirtland Area Office, P.O. Box 5400, MS-0184, Albuquerque, NM 87185 (505) 845-4094.

**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.