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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of renewal.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, App. 2, and section 101-6.1015(a), title 41, Code of Federal Regulations, and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Nuclear Energy Research Advisory Committee has been renewed for a two-year period beginning October 2, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Rachel M. Samuel at (202) 586-3279.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee will continue to provide advice to the Director, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, on long-term planning and priorities in the national nuclear energy research and development program. The Secretary of Energy has determined that renewal of the Committee is essential to the conduct of the Department's business and in the public interest in the connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Department of Energy by law. The Committee will continue to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law Number 92-463), section 624 of the Department of Energy Act (Public Law Number 95-91), the General Services Administration Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, and other directives and instructions issued in implementation of those acts.

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**James N. Solit,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Idaho Operations Office; Notice of availability of solicitation for Awards of Financial Assistance

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of solicitation, University Reactor Instrumentation (URI) Program.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, is soliciting applications for special research grant awards that will upgrade and improve U.S. nuclear research and training reactors. It is anticipated that on October 4, 2000, a full text for Solicitation Number DE-PS07-01ID14012 for the 2001 URI Program will be made available on the Internet at URL address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doeid/psd/proc-div.html>. The deadline for receipt of applications will be on December 5, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted to: U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, c/o Marie Warnick, P.O. Box 1625, Mail Stop 3860, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83415-3860.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Connie Osborne, Contract Specialist at [osbornch@id.doe.gov](mailto:osbornch@id.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The solicitation will be issued in accordance with 10 CFR Part 600.6(b), eligibility for awards under this program will be restricted to U.S. colleges and universities having a duly licensed, operating nuclear research or training reactor because the purpose of the University Reactor Instrumentation (URI) program is to upgrade and improve the U.S. university nuclear research and training reactors and to contribute to strengthening the academic community's nuclear engineering infrastructure.

The statutory authority for this program is Public Law 95-91.

Issued in Idaho Falls on October 4, 2000.

**R. Jeffrey Hoyles,**

*Director, Procurement Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the fourth in a series of meetings of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's Panel on Emerging Technological

Alternatives to Incineration. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation.

Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Panel on Emerging Technological Alternatives to Incineration.

**DATES:** October 11, 2000, 7:30am—Noon MST.

**ADDRESSES:** La Quinta Inn & Suites, 6801 Tower Road, Denver, Colorado 80249. Phone—303-371-0888, Fax—303-371-0807.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Louise Wagner, Executive Director, or Francesca McCann, Staff Director, Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7092 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's Panel on Emerging Technological Alternatives to Incineration is to provide independent external advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board on emerging technological alternatives to incineration for the treatment of mixed waste for the Department of Energy. The Panel will focus on the evaluation of emerging non-incineration technologies for the treatment of low-level, alpha low-level and transuranic wastes containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and other hazardous constituents. Waste categories to be addressed include inorganic homogeneous solids, organic homogeneous solids, and soils. The Panel will also evaluate whether the emerging non-incineration technologies could be implemented in a manner that would allow the Department of Energy to comply with all legal requirements, including those contained in the Settlement Agreement and Consent Order signed by the State of Idaho, Department of Energy, and the U.S. Navy in October 1995.

### Tentative Agenda

The agenda for the October 11 meeting has not been finalized. However, the meeting will include panel discussion and a presentation on R&D Plans for Tru Mixed Waste and an overview of the responses to the published Request for Information. Members of the Public wishing to comment on issues before the Panel on Emerging Technological Alternatives to Incineration will have an opportunity to

address the Panel during the scheduled public comment period. The final agenda will be available at the meeting.

*Tentative Agenda*

7:30 am–7:40 am—Opening Remarks  
 7:40 am–9 am—Discussion of DOE R&D Plan  
 9 am–9:10 am—Break  
 9:10 am–10:40 am—RFI Responses  
 10:40 am–11:30 am—Review of Revised Report Outline  
 11:30 am–Noon—Public Comment

*Public Participation:* In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Panel on Emerging Technological Alternatives to Incineration and submit written comments or comment during the scheduled public comment period. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Panel will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. The Chairman of the Panel is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. You may submit written comments to Mary Louise Wagner, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to a last minute change in the location of the meeting in Denver.

*Minutes:* A copy of the minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be made available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays.

Issued at Washington, D.C., on October 6, 2000.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Bonneville Power Administration**

**Opportunity for Public Comment; Regarding Bonneville Power Administration's Conservation and Renewables Discount Implementation Manual**

**AGENCY:** Bonneville Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of public review of Draft Conservation and Renewables Discount Implementation Manual and Regional Technical Forum Recommendations.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to announce a public review of the Draft Conservation and Renewables Discount (C&R Discount) Implementation Manual and the supporting Regional Technical Forum (RTF) recommendations/material. Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is publishing a draft C&R Discount Implementation Manual, for public comment, as a result of the decision in BPA's 2002 Wholesale Power Rate Case (WP-02) to establish guidelines for the C&R Discount Program. After the public comment period, the C&R Discount Implementation Manual will be published in its final version and will be used to implement the C&R Discount Program.

Interested parties can find the Draft C&R Discount Implementation Manual at <http://www.bpa.gov/Energy/N/c&r.htm> and RTF work products can be found at the Northwest Power Planning Council's web site <http://www.nwppc.org/rtf>.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 27, 2000. The number, dates, and locations of the public review meetings have not been determined. These details will be posted on BPA's web page, <http://www.bpa.gov/Energy/N/c&r.htm>, as soon as they are available.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding the Draft C&R Discount Implementation Manual can be sent to Mark Johnson—PNG/1, BPA, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, OR, 97208-3621 or e-mailed to him at [mejohanson@bpa.gov](mailto:mejohanson@bpa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Johnson—PNG-1, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, OR 97208-3621, e-mail: [mejohanson@bpa.gov](mailto:mejohanson@bpa.gov), Phone: 503-230-7669.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As part of BPA's 2002 Power Rate Proposal, 0.5 mills per kWh was added to the basic rate for Subscription Power Purchases and settlement benefits. This 0.5 mills is

referred to as the Conservation and Renewables Discount.

BPA is offering the C&R Discount to customers purchasing under the Priority Firm Power (PF-02), New Resource Firm Power (NR-02), and Residential Load (RL-02) rate schedules. Purchasers of the Slice product and benefits provided as a cash payment in settlement of the Residential Exchange Program will also be eligible for the C&R Discount.

Customers purchasing under the Industrial Firm Power rate (IP-02) will be eligible to the extent that the C&R Discount does not reduce their effective rate below the DSI floor rate. Regional public agency customers with Pre-Subscription contracts with collared pricing provisions may be eligible for the C&R Discount subject to contract provisions.

The amount of the C&R Discount will be a fixed monthly amount based on the customer's forecasted purchases and Residential Exchange Program settlement benefits from BPA under its Subscription contract.

Purchasers accepting the monthly C&R Discount agree to abide by the implementation provisions specified in the C&R Discount Implementation Manual. This notice announces a public review of the Draft C&R Discount Implementation Manual.

The Northwest Power Planning Council (Council) formed a Regional Technical Forum (RTF) to facilitate the development of conservation and renewable resources in the Pacific Northwest and assist BPA in implementing a conservation and renewables discount on BPA's new rates. The RTF was asked, by BPA, to make the following recommendations to BPA to facilitate the operation of the conservation and renewable resources discount program.

- A list of eligible conservation measures and programs, their estimated savings, and the estimated regional power system value associated with those savings.

- A process for updating the list as technology and standard practices change and an appeals process through which customers can demonstrate that different savings and value estimates should apply.

- A set of protocols by which the savings and system value of measures/programs not on the list could be estimated. These would include complex commercial or industrial projects.

- Recommended protocols for measurement and evaluation of savings.

With respect to renewables, the RTF was asked to: