

published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

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Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves is contained in this system should address written inquiries to the Commanding officer of the activity in question. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

#### **RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Individuals seeking access to information about themselves contained in this system should address written inquiries to the Commanding officer of the activity in question. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

#### **CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:**

The Navy's rules for accessing records, and for contesting contents and appealing initial agency determinations are published in Secretary of the Navy Instruction 5211.5; 32 CFR part 701; or may be obtained from the system manager.

#### **RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Individual concerned, other records of activity, investigators, witnesses, and correspondents.

#### **EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

#### **N12610-1**

#### **SYSTEM NAME:**

Hours of Duty Records (September 9, 1996, 61 FR 47483).

#### **CHANGES:**

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#### **SYSTEM LOCATION:**

Delete entry and replace with "Organizational elements of the Department of the Navy. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

Commander in Chief, U.S. Joint Forces Command, 1562 Mitscher Avenue, Suite 200, Norfolk, VA 23551-2488.

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#### **CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:**

Military and civilian personnel.

#### **CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

Record contains such information as name, grade/rate, Social Security Number, organizational code, work center code, grade code, pay rate, labor code, type transaction, hours assigned. Data base includes scheduling and assignment of work; skill level; tools issued; leave; temporary assignments to other areas.

#### **AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

5 U.S.C. 301, Departmental Regulations and E.O. 9397 (SSN).

#### **PURPOSE(S):**

To effectively manage the work force.

#### **ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:**

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, these records or information contained therein may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

The DoD 'Blanket Routine Uses' that appear at the beginning of the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices apply to this system.

#### **POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

#### **STORAGE:**

Paper and computerized records.

#### **RETRIEVABILITY:**

Name, organization code, Social Security Number, and work center.

#### **SAFEGUARDS:**

Access is provided on need-to-know basis only. Manual records are maintained in file cabinets under the control of authorized personnel during working hours. The office space in which the file cabinets are located is locked outside of official working hours. Computer terminals are located in supervised areas. Access to computerized data is controlled by password or other user code system.

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#### **RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:**

Records are destroyed when three years old.

#### **SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:**

The commanding officer of the activity in question. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

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Individuals seeking to determine whether this system of records contains information about themselves should address written inquiries to the commanding officer of the naval activity where currently employed. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

The request should include full name, Social Security Number, address of individual concerned, and should be signed.

#### **RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Individuals seeking access to records about themselves contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to the commanding officer of the naval activity where currently employed. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Navy's compilation of systems of records notices.

The request should include full name, Social Security Number, address of individual concerned, and should be signed.

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#### **RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Individual, correspondence, and personnel records.

#### **EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.**

#### **Notice of Competitive Financial Assistance Solicitation.**

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Competitive Financial Assistance Solicitation.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office, is seeking applications from U.S. institutions of higher learning, whether private or public, for cost shared research, which will reduce energy consumption, reduce environmental impacts and enhance economic competitiveness of the domestic aluminum industry. This solicitation seeks proposals for fundamental research in support of the development and implementation of energy efficiency technologies for the aluminum industry. Applicants are encouraged to utilize the widest possible range of creative and technically feasible approaches to address research priorities identified by the aluminum industry in the Aluminum Industry Technology Roadmap and the Inert Anode Roadmap.

**DATES:** The deadline for receipt of applications is 5:00 p.m. EST on March 7, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The formal solicitation document will be disseminated electronically as Solicitation Number DE-PS07-01ID14014, University-Industry Partnerships for Aluminum Industry of the Future Program, through the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) located at the following URL: <http://e-center.doe.gov>. IIPS provides the medium for disseminating solicitations, receiving financial assistance applications and evaluating the applications in a paperless environment. Completed applications are required to be submitted via IIPS. Individuals who have the authority to enter their company into a legally binding contract/agreement and intend to submit proposals/applications via the IIPS system must register and receive confirmation that they are registered prior to being able to submit an application on the IIPS system. An IIPS "User Guide for Contractors" can be obtained by going to the IIPS Homepage at the following URL: <http://e-center.doe.gov> and then clicking on the "Help" button. Questions regarding the operation of IIPS may be e-mailed to the IIPS Help Desk at [IIPSHelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov](mailto:IIPSHelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov) or call the help desk at (800) 683-0751.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carol Van Lente, Contract Specialist, at [vanlenc1@id.doe.gov](mailto:vanlenc1@id.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The statutory authority for this program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research & Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-577). Approximately \$600,000

in federal funds is expected to be available to fund the first year of selected research efforts. DOE anticipates making approximately six cooperative agreement awards each with a budget of \$100,000 a year or less and a project performance period of three years or less.

Issued in Idaho Falls on November 24, 2000.

**R.J. Hoyles,**

*Director, Procurement Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Science

#### Office of Science Financial Assistance Program Notice 01-03; Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice inviting research grant applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Basic Energy Sciences (BES) of the Office of Science (SC), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), hereby announces its interest in receiving grant applications for innovative research on the topic of nanoscale science, engineering and technology. Opportunities exist for research with primary focus in materials sciences, chemical sciences, and engineering sciences. More specific information is outlined in the supplementary information section below.

**DATES:** Potential applicants are strongly encouraged to submit a brief preapplication. All preapplications, referencing Program Notice 01-03, should be received by DOE by 4:30 p.m., E.S.T., January 12, 2001. A response to the preapplications encouraging or discouraging a formal application generally will be communicated to the applicant within 21 days of receipt. The deadline for receipt of formal applications is 4:30 p.m., E.S.T. March 14, 2001, in order to be accepted for merit review and to permit timely consideration for award in Fiscal Year 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** All preapplications referencing Program Notice 01-03 should be sent to Dr. Jerry J. Smith, Division of Materials Sciences and Engineering, SC-13, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown MD 20874-1290. Formal applications referencing Program Notice 01-03

should be forwarded to: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Grants and Contracts Division, SC-64, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874-1290, ATTN: Program Notice 01-03. This address must also be used when submitting applications by U.S. Postal Service Express, any commercial mail delivery service, or when hand carried by the applicant.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions concerning research topics in specific technical areas, contact the following individuals in the appropriate area of interest:

**Materials Sciences:** Dr. Jerry J. Smith, Division of Materials Sciences and Engineering, SC-13, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, telephone (301) 903-4269, e-mail: [jerry.smith@science.doe.gov](mailto:jerry.smith@science.doe.gov).

**Chemical Sciences:** Dr. Paul H. Smith, Division of Chemical Sciences, Geosciences, and Biosciences, SC-14, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, telephone (301) 903-5806, e-mail: [paul.h.smith@science.doe.gov](mailto:paul.h.smith@science.doe.gov).

**Engineering Sciences:** Dr. Robert Price, Division of Materials Sciences and Engineering, SC-13, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, telephone (301) 903-3565, e-mail: [bob.price@science.doe.gov](mailto:bob.price@science.doe.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Controlling and manipulating matter at the atomic and molecular scale is the essence of nanoscale science, engineering, and technology (NSET). The BES program has worked with the National Science and Technology Council's Interagency Working Group on Nanotechnology, with the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC), and with the broad scientific community from academia, industry, and the National Laboratories to define and articulate the goals of this research.

The BES program in NSET has the following overarching goals: (1) Attain a fundamental scientific understanding of nanoscale phenomena; (2) achieve the ability to design and synthesize materials at the atomic level to produce materials with desired properties and functions; (3) attain a fundamental understanding of the natural processes for the creation of materials and functional systems to serve as a guide and a benchmark by which to measure progress in synthetic design and synthesis; and (4) develop experimental characterization tools and theory/