

equation modeling, hierarchical linear modeling).

4. Other quantitative (e.g., simulation).

5. Descriptive study using qualitative techniques (e.g., ethnographic methods; focus groups; classroom observations; case studies; single subject designs).

The design of studies must be clear: Independent and dependent, or predictor and criterion, variables should be distinguished. Proposed research is expected to employ the most sophisticated level of design and analysis that is appropriate to the research question. For research questions that cannot be answered using a randomized assignment experimental design, the proposal must spell out the reasons why such a design is not applicable and why it would not represent a superior approach. Thus, applicants must propose to conduct rigorous studies that are scientifically sound, relevant, timely, and ultimately useful to practitioners and policy makers. The Secretary intends to expend a total of \$5 million during FY 2002 on grant applications. Funding this priority will depend on the availability of funds, the nature of the final priority, and the quality of applications received.

Post-Award Requirements

The Secretary established the following post-award requirements consistent with the OERI's program regulations at 34 CFR part 700 and the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) at 34 CFR 75.720. Recipients of a research award must:

1. Provide OERI with information about the research project and products and other appropriate research information so that OERI can monitor progress and maintain its inventory of funded research projects. This information must be provided through media that include an electronic network;

2. At the end of the award period, synthesize the findings and advances in knowledge that resulted from research conducted and describe the potential impact on the improvement of reading comprehension instruction.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Program Interest for Processing U-232 To Produce RA-224/Bi-212 Generators for Uses in Medicine

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Program Interest.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announces an unrestricted grant program providing support for the production of Ra-224/Bi-212 generators from DOE provided U-232. The Department's objectives of this effort are to: (1) Develop an assured future supply of Bi-212; (2) Maximize private involvement and minimize the cost of producing Ra-224/Bi-212 generators; and (3) minimize future Government involvement. The Department wishes to encourage the private sector to be involved in the production of these generators by providing resources in a cooperative partnering arrangement for the required production. The Department's contribution will be no more than \$50,000 for a period of two years.

DATES: Opening date: January 30, 2002, and closing date: February 28, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Complete details, instructions on how to apply, opening and closing dates and the forms may be obtained from the DOE NE home page on the Internet at: <http://www.ne.doe.gov>. In accordance with 10 CFR 600.9, the formal solicitation document will be disseminated electronically as solicitation number DE-PS01-02NE23296 through the Department's Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) home page located at <https://doe-iips.pr.doe.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John McClure, Program Manager, at 301-903-5460, Phyllis Morgan, Contract Specialist at 202-287-1504, and Paul Gervas, Attorney and Advisor at 202-586-6918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will conduct marketing and sales activities of the isotope. Alternatively, concomitant proposals for the marketing and sales function will be allowed. The Department wishes to encourage the private sector to be involved in the production of these generators by providing resources in a cooperative partnering arrangement for the required production.

Effective October 1, 1999, the IIPS system became the primary way for the Office of Headquarters Procurement Services to conduct competitive acquisitions and financial assistance transactions. IIPS provides the medium for disseminating solicitations, receiving financial assistance applications and proposals, evaluating, and awarding various instruments in a paperless environment. All documents included in your applications should be submitted in the Microsoft Word format. To get more information about IIPS and to register your organization, go to <https://doe-iips.pr.doe.gov>. Follow the link on the IIPS home page to the Secure Services Page. Registration is a prerequisite to the submission of an application, and applicants are encouraged to register as soon as possible. When registering, all applicants should use the same North American Industry Classifications System number: 325412. A help document, which describes how IIPS works, can be found at the bottom of the Secure Services Page.

Kevin Smith,

Program Services Division, Office of Headquarters Procurement Services.

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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 (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.