FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Dahl, Contract Specialist at dahle@id.doe.gov, facsimile at (208) 526-5548, or by telephone at (208) 526-7214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Approximately $10,000,000 in federal funds will be made available over the next five to six fiscal years. Of that amount, about $500,000 is expected to be available in fiscal year 2002 to fund one to two awards for the first budget year of the cooperative agreements stemming from this solicitation. DOE anticipates that Phase One of the award will run for approximately two budget periods and will include feasibility assessment, detailed conceptual design, field studies, and environmental approvals. Phase Two will involve construction and testing of the EGS. Phase Three is to construct permanent surface facilities including a power plant. Phase Four is to monitor reservoir and plant performance. During each phase, the Awardee must provide minimum non-federal cost share in the amounts specified as follows: Phase One—20%; Phase Two—40%; Phase Three—80%; Phase Four—100%. Only those who own, have valid leases, or legal access to unproductive geothermal properties in the U. S. and are capable of providing the necessary cost-share may submit proposals. Third party consulting groups may be part of the project team, but they are not eligible to submit proposals. National laboratories will not be eligible for an award under this solicitation. The solicitation is available in its full text via the Internet at the following address: http://e-center.doe.gov. The statutory authority for this program is the Department of Energy Organization Act of 1977, Public Law 95–238, Section 207, Public Law 101–218. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number for this program is 81.087, Renewable Energy Research and Development. Issued in Idaho Falls on February 14, 2002.

R. J. Hoyles, Director, Procurement Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada

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), Nevada Test Site.

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, March 6, 2002, 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Room 4401, Las Vegas, Nevada.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Advisory Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda:

1. CAB members will discuss prioritization of environmental management projects for the FY 2004 federal budget submittal.

Copies of the 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 Kelly Kozeliski, at the 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 Officer 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 five minutes to present their comments. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to the late resolution of programmatic issues.

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 Kelly Kozeliski at the address listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC, on January 19, 2002.

Rachel M. Samuel, Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. GP02–1–000]

Bowers Drilling Company, Inc.; Notice of Petition for Adjustment

February 14, 2002.

Take notice that on January 3, 2002, Bowers Drilling Company, Inc. (Bowers) filed a petition for adjustment under section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA),1 requesting relief from its obligation to pay Kansas ad valorem tax refunds to Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams) for the period from 1983 to 1998, as required, by the Commission’s September 10, 1997 order in Docket No. RP97–369–000, et al.2 Bowers’ petition is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Bowers’ request for relief is based on a March 17, 1992 take-or-pay settlement agreement with Williams. Bowers asserts the settlement agreement includes a release from all claims regarding its contracts with Williams, for all periods prior to 1992, including any Federal Energy Regulatory Commission claims arising out of, or in conjunction with, or relating to its contracts with Williams. In view of this, and because the claim for Kansas ad valorem tax reimbursement was taken into account when Bowers agreed to the settlement amount, Bowers contends that granting relief is warranted.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said petition should on or before 15 days after the date of publication in the Federal Register of this notice, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 880 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the rules of the Commission.
