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Sally L. Stroup,

Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science

Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee Renewal

Pursuant to section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and in accordance with title 41, Code of Federal Regulations, section 102-3.65, and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee has been renewed for a two-year period beginning in February 2003. The Committee will provide advice to the Director, Office of Science, on the basic energy sciences program.

The Secretary has determined that the renewal of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee is essential to the conduct of the Department's business and in the public interest in 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, the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. 95-91), and rules and regulations issued in implementation of those Acts.

Further information regarding this advisory committee can be obtained from Rachel Samuel at (202) 586-3279.

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James N. Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

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), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, April 3, 2003, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, April 4, 2003, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: West Coast Ridpath Hotel, 515 Sprague Avenue, Spokane, WA. Phone: (509) 838-2711, Fax: (509) 747-6970.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Yvonne Sherman, Public Involvement Program Manager, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, 825 Jadwin, MSIN A7-75, Richland, WA, 99352; Phone: (509) 376-6216; Fax: (509) 376-1563.

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:

Thursday, April 3, 2003

- Presentation on the Hanford Systems Assessment Capability (SAC) Tool;
- Discussion and introduction of draft advice on the Proposed Elimination of Technetium-99 (Tc-99) Removal from Tank Waste Pretreatment;
- Presentation and discussion of the DOE-HQ draft policy and guidance on the risk-based end state vision;
- Discussion and introduction of draft advice on FY03, FY04 and FY05 budget;
- Discussion and draft advice on the Disposition of Transuranic Waste in the Tanks;
- Introduction of draft advice on the Hanford Groundwater Strategic Plan (tentative);

Friday, April 4, 2003.

- Adoption of draft advice;
- Elimination of Technetium-99 (Tc-99) Removal from Tank Waste Pretreatment, FY03, FY04, FY05 budgets, Disposition of Transuranic Waste in the Tanks, Hanford Groundwater Strategic Plan (tentative).
- Update on the Hanford Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (HSW EIS)—second draft.
- Status of M-91 Tri-Party Agreement negotiations. (These negotiations focused on the cleanup of DOE Transuranic and Mixed Transuranic Wastes and associated low-level and mixed low-level wastes.)

- Introduction of a letter to the Tri-Party Agreement Agencies on the recent state of the site meetings;
- Additional ground rules;
- Public comment.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Yvonne Sherman's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five 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 equal time to present their comments.

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 Yvonne Sherman, Department of Energy Richland Operation Office, 825 Jadwin, MSIN A7-75, Richland, WA 99352, or by calling her at (509) 376-1563.

Issued in Washington, DC on February 28, 2003.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board Chairs Meeting

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) Chairs Meeting. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: March 28-29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Adams Mark Hotel, 1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, Rocky

Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80031; telephone (303) 420-7855; fax (303) 420-7579.

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

Friday, March 28, 2003

8 a.m. Registration

8:30 a.m. Opening business, Welcoming remarks; Victor Holm, RFCAB Chair; Eugene Schmitt, DOE RF Manager; others, Introductions, Meeting ground rules and agenda review, Meeting objectives and expectations

9 a.m. Roundtable presentations from each site focusing on intersite shipment of wastes and materials (5 min. per site)

9:45 a.m. Chairs discussion of intersite shipment issues

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. Presentation and discussion on DOE-EM 2003-2004 budget with Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Budget, Roger Butler

11:45 a.m. Lunch

1 p.m. Presentation and discussion on long-term stewardship with Dave Geiser, DOE Office of Long-Term Stewardship and Mike Owen, Director of Worker and Community Transition and the Secretary of Energy's Designee to Lead the Legacy Management Transition Team

3 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. Discussion and approval of TRU Waste Workshop Recommendations

4:15 p.m. Public comment period

4:30 p.m. Day 1 wrap-up and review of Day 2

4:45 p.m. Adjourn

Saturday, March 29, 2003

8:30 a.m. Review agenda

8:35 a.m. Planning for future EMSSAB events, Next Chairs meeting(s): Discussion question on how often chairs should meet; location and date for next meeting, Next workshop

9:30 a.m. Discussion with new EMSSAB Designated Federal Officer Sandra Waisley and Deputy Assistant Secretary Roger Butler

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Roundtable discussion with each board sharing success stories or outlining concerns

11:30 a.m. Public comment period

11:45 a.m. Meeting wrap-up, Review

of expectations/objectives, Meeting evaluation

12 noon Adjourn

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 Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five 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 at the end of the meeting.

Minutes: 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 or calling Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy; National Petroleum Council

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the National Petroleum Council. Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Friday, May 16, 2003, 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The St. Regis Hotel, Crystal Ballroom, 923 Sixteenth & K Streets, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kristen Palasciano, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy, Washington, DC 20585. Phone: 202/586-9768.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: To provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on matters relating to oil and gas or the oil and gas industry.

Tentative Agenda

—Call to order and introductory remarks by William A. Wise, Chair of the NPC

—Remarks by the Honorable Spencer Abraham, Secretary of Energy (invited)

—Administrative matters

—New business

—Public comment (10-minute rule)

—Adjournment

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The chairperson of the Council is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to file a written statement with the Council will be permitted to do so, either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ms. Kristen Palasciano at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation on the agenda.

Transcripts: Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, 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.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission of EPA ICR No. 1900.02 (OMB No. 2060-0423) to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces