

comment period on this notice, no substantive comments or objections were received on the proposed extension and waiver, and no substantive changes have been made. For this reason, and in order to make a timely continuation grant to the entity affected, the Secretary has determined that a delayed effective date is not required.

Background

On July 29, 2002, we published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 49014–49015) a notice of extension of project period and waiver. In this notice we announced that the Secretary intends to redesign the technical assistance component of the Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities program and provide funding in fiscal year 2003. The notice of extension of project period and waiver was issued to enable the current technical assistance provider, the Technical Assistance ALLIANCE for Parent Centers Project to receive funding from October 1, 2002 until March 31, 2003. The grant for the ALLIANCE expired, after a 5-year project period, on September 30, 2002.

Technical assistance is provided on an ongoing basis to parent centers, and it would be contrary to the public interest to have any service lapses for the parent centers being served by the current grantee.

Reasons

We have determined that an additional period of time is needed for redesigning the technical assistance component. To avoid any lapse in service for the intended beneficiaries before the redesigned technical assistance component can be fully implemented, the Secretary will fund this project until September 30, 2003. The Secretary waives the requirements in 34 CFR 75.250 and 75.261(c)(2), which prohibit project periods exceeding 5 years and period extensions that involve the obligation of additional Federal funds. This waiver gives the affected grantee notice of the availability of an additional six months of funding.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

The Secretary certifies that the extension of project period and waiver will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The only small entity that would be affected is the PACER Center, Inc., which operates the Technical Assistance ALLIANCE for Parent Centers project.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This extension and waiver does not contain any information collection requirements.

Intergovernmental Review

This program is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. One of the objectives of the Executive order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and a strengthened federalism. The Executive order relies on processes developed by State and local governments for coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance. This document provides early notification of our specific plans and actions for this program.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 84.328, Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities)

Dated: April 29, 2003.

Robert H. Pasternack,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[DE–PS07–03ID14504]

Idle Reduction Technology Demonstration and Information Dissemination Solicitation

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, DOE.
ACTION: Notice of Competitive Financial Assistance Solicitation.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID) is seeking applications for cost shared demonstration and information

dissemination projects of onboard idle reduction technologies on Class 7 & 8 trucks. The objective of this activity is to select and conduct projects that will produce information on the ability of several idle reduction technologies to enhance economic competitiveness, reduce energy consumption and reduce environmental impacts of the trucking industry. DOE is very interested in funding innovative, cost effective projects that demonstrate the capability of various idle reduction technologies to reduce fuel consumption and in disseminating that information to the trucking industry.

The projects are to address the data collection, analysis and dissemination needs identified by the U.S. DOE FreedomCAR and Vehicle Technologies Program and the trucking industry in the Idle Reduction Technology Demonstration Plan. This demonstration plan is located at http://www.ott.doe.gov/otu/field_ops/pdfs/demo_plan_final.pdf.

DATES: The issuance date of Solicitation Number DE–PS07–03ID14504 will be on or about April 25, 2003. An application consists of the DOE Standard Form (SF) 424 form, SF 424A form, a technical proposal, signed letters of commitment, signed letters of intent, exhibits, and other enclosures or attachments and must have an IIPS transmission time stamp not later than 3 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Wednesday, June 11, 2003. Late applications will not be considered.

ADDRESSES: Completed applications are required to be submitted via the U. S. Department of Energy Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) at the following URL: <http://e-center.doe.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Dahl, Contracting Officer at dahlee@id.doe.gov, facsimile at (208) 526–5548, or by telephone at (208) 526–7214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Approximately \$250,000 of funding will be available to divide between the selected demonstration and dissemination projects in fiscal year 2003. DOE anticipates making at least two cooperative agreement awards each with a duration of twenty-four (24) months or less, with the future possibility, based on available funding, to select additional projects in fiscal year 2004, or to extend successful (as determined by DOE) demonstration projects up to an additional 24 months in order to demonstrate longer-term durability and reliability.

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 Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-577). The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number for this program is 81.086, Conservation Research and Development.

Issued in Idaho Falls on April 25, 2003.

R.J. Hoyles,

Director, Procurement Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science; Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC). 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: Wednesday, May 28, 2003, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m..

ADDRESSES: Sheraton National Hotel, 900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Long; Office of Basic Energy Sciences; U. S. Department of Energy; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, MD 20874-1290; Telephone: (301) 903-5565

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of this meeting is to provide advice and guidance with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

Wednesday, May 28, 2003

- Welcome and Introduction
- News from the Office of Science
- News from the Office of Basic Energy Sciences
- Report of the Committee of Visitors' Review for Materials Sciences and Engineering

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Sharon Long at 301-903-6594 (fax) or sharon.long@science.doe.gov (e-

mail). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days 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 through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 28, 2003.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory

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), Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. 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: Tuesday, May 20, 2003, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Wednesday, May 21, 2003, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Public participation sessions will be held on: Tuesday, May 20, 2003, 12:15–12:30 p.m, 5:45–6 p.m. Wednesday, May 21, 2003, 11:45–12 noon, 4–4:15 p.m.

These times are subject to change as the meeting progresses. Please check with the meeting facilitator to confirm these times.

ADDRESSES: Red Lion Hotel (formerly the West Coast Hotel), 1555 Pocatello Creek Road, Pocatello, Idaho 83201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Wendy Green Lowe, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL) Citizens' Advisory Board (CAB) Facilitator, Jason Associates Corporation, 545 Shoup

Avenue, Suite 335B, Idaho Falls, ID 83402, Phone (208) 522-1662 or visit the Board's Internet home page at <http://www.ida.net/users/cab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of future use, cleanup levels, waste disposition and cleanup priorities at the INEEL.

Tentative Agenda Topics: (Agenda topics may change up to the day of the meeting. Please contact Jason Associates for the most current agenda or visit the CAB's Internet site at <http://www.ida.net/users/cab/>.)

Objectives include:

- Develop an Annual Work Plan for the CAB
 - Meet with the new site manager
 - Develop consensus on a Recommendation Addressing the Proposed Plan for the V-Tanks
 - Presentation on Emergency planning at INEEL
 - Presentation on the Annual National Environmental Policy Act Planning Summary for the INEEL
 - Presentation on Current and Potential Future Missions for Argonne National Laboratory-West
 - Presentation on Fiscal Year 2003 EM Budget at the INEEL
 - Status Report on Transition in INEEL mission to Nuclear Energy
 - Status Report on Environmental Management (EM) Program and the implementation of the Performance Management Plan (PMP) at the INEEL
 - status of permit modification efforts for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant to receive remote-handled transuranic waste,
 - lawsuit addressing the Waste Incidental to Reprocessing Determination
 - INEEL Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act Disposal Facility
 - Status Report on Science and Technology Strategies for the Water Integration Project
 - Status Report on Efforts under PMP Strategic Objectives 4.4 (acceleration of off-site shipments of transuranic waste) and 4.6 (efforts to consolidate mixed low-level waste into one facility, eliminate the backlog, and cease on-site disposal of low-level) and provide citizen reactions to the overall strategy
 - Status Report on Tetra Tech (formerly Foster Wheeler) dry storage facility for spent nuclear fuel
- Public Participation:* This meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board facilitator either before or after the meeting.