

protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

Upon conclusion of the closed session, from 2 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. on March 7, the full Board will discuss budgets and matters impacting the NAEP Schedule of Assessments. The Board will take action on the NAEP Schedule of Assessments. From 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. the full Board will discuss Board operations and meeting agendas. The March 7 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 4:30 p.m.

On March 8, the Nominations Committee will meet in closed session from 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. to review and discuss confidential information regarding nominees received for Board vacancies for terms beginning on October 1, 2008. The Committee will recommend a final slate of candidates for Board discussion and action. Following the Committee meeting, on March 8, the full Board will meet in closed session from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to receive and discuss the final list of nominees to be submitted to the Secretary of Education for Board appointments. These discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will meet in open session on March 8 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. to take final action on the list of candidates to be submitted to the Secretary for appointment, for Board member terms beginning October 1, 2008, and to receive and take action on Committee reports. The March 8, 2008 session of the Board meeting will adjourn at 11 a.m.

Detailed minutes of the meeting, including summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters that are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

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Dated: February 8, 2008.

Charles E. Smith,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board, U.S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Science.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee (ASCAC). Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 9 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.; Wednesday, February 27, 2008, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: American Geophysical Union, (AGU), 2000 Florida Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20009-1277.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melea Baker, Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research; SC-21/ Germantown Building; U.S. Department of Energy; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290; Telephone (301) 903-7486, (E-mail: Melea.Baker@science.doe.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of this meeting is to provide advice and guidance with respect to the advanced scientific computing research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

View from Washington and the FY09 Science Budget by the Under Secretary for Science

View from Germantown
Report Discussion on Charge—
Networking

Infrastructure Scaling for Performance
ASCAC Balance Report Discussion
Parallel Math Libraries and Solver
Algorithms

Report Discussion on Charge—Joint
Panel with BERAC on Climate
Programming Models
Public Comment

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

Report on Discussion on Charge—Joint
Panel with BERAC on GTL
Community Planning for Cyber Security
DARPA Exascale Study
OMB Perspectives
Public Comment

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 Melea Baker via FAX at 301-903-4846 or via e-mail

(Melea.Baker@science.doe.gov). 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. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues.

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 February 8, 2008.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science; Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee. 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, February 19, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, February 20, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to noon.

ADDRESSES: The Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878, USA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Albert L. Opdenaker, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290; Telephone: 301–903–4927.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Meeting:* During the coming year, the Office of Science (SC) will be developing a new strategic plan for the Fusion Energy Sciences (FES) program. The Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (FESAC) recently completed addressing a charge on the magnetic fusion portion of the FES program. At this meeting, FESAC will be charged to address the remaining portions of the FES program—alternate concepts, high energy density laboratory plasmas and inertial fusion energy, and plasma sciences. In addition, the committee will discuss how it plans to approach each of the new charges and schedules to complete them. Once the recommendations and advice from FESAC on all of these portions of the program are complete, the Office of Science will be prepared to write the new strategic plan that will carry the FES program through the next important period in establishing the knowledge base for an economically and environmentally attractive fusion energy source.

Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, February 19, 2008

- DOE Perspective.
- OFES Perspective.
- ITER Project Status.
- Discussion of the Charge on High Energy Density Laboratory Plasmas.
 - Presentation on the Low Temperature Plasma Physics Workshop.
 - Discussion of the Charge on Non-Tokamak Confinement Concepts.
 - Public Comments.

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

- Discussion of Strategic Plan Development.
- Adjourn.

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 Albert L. Opdenaker at 301–903–8584 (fax) or albert.opdenaker@science.doe.gov (e-mail). 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. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available on the U.S. Department of Energy's *Office of Fusion Energy Sciences* Web site (<http://www.science.doe.gov/ofes/>).

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Certification Notice—216]

Office Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability; Notice of Filings of Self-Certifications of Coal Capability Under the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act

AGENCY: Office Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of filings.

SUMMARY: On December 31, 2007, The WCM Group, Inc., on behalf of two owners and operators of new base load electric powerplants, and Conectiv Mid Merit, LLC, as owner and operator of a new base load electric powerplant, submitted coal capability self-certifications to the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to section 201(d) of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended, and DOE regulations in 10 CFR 501.60, 61. Section 201(d) of FUA requires DOE to publish a notice of receipt of self-certifications in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Copies of coal capability self-certification filings are available for public inspection, upon request, in the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code OE–20, Room 8G–024, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Russell at (202) 586–9624.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title II of FUA, as amended (42 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), provides that no new base load

electric powerplant may be constructed or operated without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source. Pursuant to FUA section 201(d), in order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such a facility proposing to use natural gas or petroleum as its primary energy source shall certify to the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) prior to construction, or prior to operation as a base load electric powerplant, that such powerplant has the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel. Such certification establishes compliance with FUA section 201(a) as of the date it is filed with the Secretary. The Secretary is required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** reciting that the certification has been filed.

The following owners of proposed new base load electric powerplants have filed self-certifications of coal-capability with DOE pursuant to FUA section 201(d) and in accordance with DOE regulations in 10 CFR 501.60, and 501.61:

Owner: J. L. Bates, LP.

Capacity: 290 Megawatts (MW).

Plant Location: Mission, Hidalgo County, Texas.

In-Service Date: May, 2009.

Owner: Victoria Wle, LP.

Capacity: 273 MW.

Plant Location: Victoria, Victoria County, Texas.

In-Service Date: March, 2008.

Owner: Conectiv Mid Merit, LLC.

Capacity: 1100 MW.

Plant Location: York County, Peach Bottom Township, Pennsylvania.

In-Service Date: May, 2011.

Issued in Washington, DC on February 6, 2008.

Anthony J. Como,

Director, Permitting and Siting, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

February 6, 2008.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER02–1633–005; ER04–1099–004; ER03–25–004; ER00–38–007; ER08–530–000; ER03–290–005; ER00–1115–006; ER04–1080–004; ER00–3562–006; ER03–209–005; ER05–816–003; ER05–1422–005; ER05–819–