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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy; Office of Science.

ACTION: Notice of open teleconference meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a teleconference meeting of the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee. 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, 2008, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. E.D.T.

ADDRESSES: Participants may call Ms. Joanne Corcoran at (301) 903-6488 to receive a call-in number by April 1, 2008. Public participation is welcomed; however, the number of teleconference lines is limited and available on a first come basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. David Thomassen, Designated Federal Officer, Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-23/ Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290, (301) 903-9817 or david.thomassen@science.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.

Tentative Agenda

- DOE Perspectives, Raymond L. Orbach, Under Secretary for Science.
- Discussion of joint ASCAC/BERAC subcommittee report to identify the key computational and information technology obstacles to advancing climate change science, improving climate change projections using state-of-the-science coupled climate models, and how progress could be accelerated

through targeted investments in applied mathematics, computer science, and computational climate science. See complete BERAC Charge dated June 26, 2007.

- New business.
- Public Comment.

Copies of the Charge letters may be found at <http://www.sc.doe.gov/ober/berac/charges.html>.

Draft Subcommittee reports are not public documents and are only made publicly available after BERAC approval. All BERAC reports, once approved, are posted on the BERAC Web site at: <http://www.science.doe.gov/ober/berac/Reports.html>.

Public Participation: The teleconference 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 David Thomassen at the address or telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days before 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, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Renewal of the Climate Change Science Program Product Development Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy; Office of Science.

ACTION: Notice of Renewal.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 102-3.65, and

following consultation with the other Federal agencies responsible for preparing Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Synthesis and Assessment Products that are required to comply with Section 106 of the Global Change Research Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-606), notice is hereby given that the Climate Change Science Program Product Development Advisory Committee has been renewed for a two-year period.

The Committee will draft a specific CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Product on climate modeling at the request of the Department of Energy in accordance with the Guidelines for producing the CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Products. The Committee will update the Department of Energy on the progress during the development of the product and will agree upon the contents of the product before advising the Department to adopt the language. The Committee will function solely as an advisory body. The Secretary of Energy has determined that renewal of the Climate Change Science Program Product Development 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 by law upon the Department of Energy. The Committee will continue to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the General Services Administration Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, and other directives and instructions issued in implementation of those acts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rachel Samuel at (202) 586-3279.

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Carol A. Matthews,

Acting Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2165-022]

Alabama Power Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

March 7, 2008.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No.