the Department of Energy on the progress during the development of the products and will agree upon the contents of the products before advising the Department to adopt the language. The Committee will function solely as an advisory body. The Secretary of Energy has determined that establishment 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 operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 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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# James N. Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E6–2353 Filed 2–16–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

# **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

Extension of Scoping Period and Rescheduled Scoping Meetings for the Notice of Intent To Prepare the Tank Closure and Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement for the Hanford Site, Richland, WA

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is extending the scoping period for the Tank Closure and Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement for the Hanford Site, Richland, Washington (TC & WM EIS) and rescheduling the public scoping meetings.

DATES: The scoping period for the TC & WM EIS is extended from March 6, 2006, through April 10, 2006. The scoping meetings have been rescheduled as follows. Registration for the meetings will begin at 6 p.m. There will be an opportunity for informal discussions with DOE project personnel and staff from the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology), followed by brief presentations by DOE and Ecology at 7 p.m. After the presentations, meeting participants will be invited to provide their comments on

the scope of the EIS. The meetings are scheduled to end at 10 p.m.

Seattle, Washington; March 21, 2006. Seattle Center, 305 Harrison Street, Northwest Rooms Building, Lopez Room, Seattle, WA 98109.

Portland, Oregon; March 22, 2006. Red Lion Portland—Convention Center, 1021 NE Grand Avenue, Marquam/ Fremont/Broadway Room, Portland, OR 97232.

Hood River, Oregon; March 23, 2006.Columbia Gorge Hotel, 4000 WestcliffDrive, Benson Ballroom, Hood River,OR 97031.

Tri-Cities (Richland, Kennewick, Pasco) Washington, March 28, 2006. Trade Recreation and Agricultural Center (TRAC), 6600 Burden Blvd., Meeting Room #4, Pasco, WA 99302.

ADDRESSES: To request information on the TC & WM EIS or to submit comments on the scope of this EIS contact: Mary Beth Burandt, Document Manager, Office of River Protection, U.S. Department of Energy, Post Office Box 450, Mail Stop H6–60, Richland, WA 99352, Electronic mail:

*TC&WMEIS@saic.com.* Fax: 509–376–3661, Telephone and voice mail: 509–373–9160.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on DOE's NEPA process, contact: Carol Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (EH–42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, Telephone 202–586–4600, or leave a message at 1–800–472–2756.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On

February 2, 2006, DOE issued a Notice of Intent to prepare the TC & WM EIS for the Hanford Site, Richland, Washington (71 FR 5655). The original scoping period was to continue through March 6, 2006, and four scoping meetings were scheduled for Hood River and Portland, OR and for Seattle and Richland WA on February 21, 22, 23 and 28 respectively. In response to requests from the public, DOE is extending the scoping period through April 10, 2006, and the four scoping meetings have been rescheduled as listed in DATES above.

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# John Spitaleri Shaw,

Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Office of Science; DOE/Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee (ASCAC). 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, March 15, 2006, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, March 16, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 4 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 on the advanced scientific computing research program.

*Tentative Agenda:* Agenda will include discussions of the following:

Wednesday, March 15, 2006

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