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**Sally L. Stroup,**

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** United States Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting agenda.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, September 30, 2004, 10 a.m.–12 Noon.

**PLACE:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave., NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

**AGENDA:** The Commission will receive updates on the following: Title II Requirements Payments, HAVA College Program; proceedings at the Technical Guidelines Development Committee Subcommittee meetings at the National Institute of Standards and Technology. The Commission will also receive presentations from panel participants in a discussion regarding the administration of provisional ballots.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

**DeForest B. Soaries, Jr.,**

*Chairman, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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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 (EMSSAB) Chairs. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, October 7, 2004, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., Friday, October 8, 2004, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Red Lion Hanford House, 802 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352, Phone: (509) 946-7611.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jay Vivari, Program Management Specialist (EM30.1), Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-5143.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the EMSSAB is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

#### *Tentative Agenda*

*Thursday, October 7, 2004:*

8:30 a.m.—Welcome; introductions; meeting expectations (Waisley; Lowe, Mabie).

8:45 a.m.—Round Robin 1: Top Three Issues for Each Site-Specific Advisory Board.

10 a.m.—Break.

10:15 a.m.—Round Robin 2: Site-Specific Advisory Boards' Organizational Challenges.

11:30 a.m.—Potential National Stakeholders Workshop.

11:45 a.m.—Public comment period. Noon—Lunch.

1 p.m.—Hanford's Role in the Department of Energy's Complex and How Stakeholders Influence That Role.

1:45 p.m.—Round Robin 3: Current Developments Related to Interdependencies Among Department of Energy Sites for Waste Disposition.

2:30 p.m.—Break.

2:45 p.m.—Hanford Panel: Perspectives on Shipping and Receiving Waste at Hanford.

3:45 p.m.—Facilitated discussion—Vulnerabilities of the Current Waste Disposition Plan and Ramification for All Intersite Transfers.

4:30 p.m.—Public comment period.

4:45 p.m.—Next steps.

*Friday, October 8, 2004:*

8:30 a.m.—Opening.

8:45 a.m.—Department of Energy headquarters organizational changes, fiscal year 2005 budget, and the outlook for fiscal year 2006/Waisley.

9:15 a.m.—Potential National Stakeholders Workshop (continued).

9:45 a.m.—Break.

10 a.m.—Panel discussion—Ongoing Transition from Environmental Management to Legacy Management at Rocky Flats and Fernald.

10:30 a.m.—Facilitated discussion.

11:30 a.m.—Public comment period.

11:45 a.m.—Meeting wrap-up.

*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 Jay Vivari at the address above or by telephone at (202) 586-5143. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The 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 calling Jay Vivari at (202) 586-5143.

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**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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### Hartford Steam Company; Notice of Issuance of Order

September 16, 2004.

Hartford Steam Company (Hartford) filed an application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate schedule. The proposed rate schedule provides for wholesale sales of energy, capacity, and ancillary services at market-based rates. Hartford also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Hartford requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Hartford.

On September 10, 2004, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Tariffs and Market Development—South, granted the