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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Membership of the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) Performance Review Boards

**AGENCY:** Defense Contract Audit Agency, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of membership of the Defense Contract Audit Agency Performance Review Boards.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the appointment of the members of the Performance Review Boards (PRBs) of the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA). The publication of PRB membership is required by U.S.C. 4314(c)(4). The Performance Review Boards provide fair and impartial review of Senior Executive Service (SES) performance appraisals and make recommendations to the Director, DCAA, regarding final performance ratings and performance awards for DCAA SES members.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 25, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Dale R. Collins, Chief, Human Resources Management, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Department of Defense, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia 22060-6219, 703-767-1236.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), the following are the names and titles of the executives who have been appointed to serve as members of the DCAA Performance Review Boards. They will serve one-year terms, effective upon publication of this notice.

#### Headquarters Performance Review Board

Mr. Larry Uhlfelder, Assistant Director, Policy and Plans, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Chairperson

Mr. Earl Newman, Assistant Director, Operations, Defense Contract Audit Agency member

Mr. Kirk Moberley, General Counsel, Defense Contract Audit Agency, member.

#### Regional Performance Review Board

Mr. David Dzivak, Regional Director, Northeastern, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Chairperson

Ms. Barbara Reilly, Regional Director, Mid-Atlantic, Defense Contract Audit Agency, member

Mr. William Serafine, Deputy Regional Director, Western, Defense Contract Audit Agency, member.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No. 84.314B]

#### Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative Grants

**AGENCY:** Department of Education

**ACTION:** Notice to extend deadline for applications for assistance under the Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative grant authority, and information on cost issues involving those grants.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Education announces an extension of the deadline for States to apply for a fiscal year (FY) 1999 new award under the Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative grant authority. In addition, the Secretary will authorize certain pre-award costs for grant recipients, and consider State requests for waivers of the requirement that only non-Federal funds be used as matching resources for the grant under the waiver authority in section 14401 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).

**DATES:** The new deadline for State offices and agencies to submit their Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative applications for the second stage of this grant competition is October 15, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To obtain further information, contact Patricia McKee, Compensatory Education Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202-6132; telephone (202) 260-0826; or e-mail address [patricia\\_mckee@ed.gov](mailto:patricia_mckee@ed.gov).

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department published the FY 1999 application for Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative competitive grants in the **Federal Register** on February 24, 1999 (64 FR 9229). The Department also published a notice of final priority for those grants on the same date (64 FR 9228). The application established an original deadline for transmittal of applications for the second stage of applications of August 20, 1999.

First, because of the need to prepare competitive grant applications for other Department programs, such as those under the Reading Excellence Act, some States have not been able to convene the consortium that is required to create the Statewide Initiative plan for the Even Start competitive grant application. In recognition of the competing demands on States, and in the interest of giving States sufficient planning time to prepare high-quality applications and to benefit from further technical assistance that the Department will provide, the Secretary extends the deadline for the second stage of applications for these grants to October 15, 1999.

Second, the Department's regulations already authorize grant recipients to incur allowable pre-award costs up to 90 calendar days before the grant award (34 CFR 75.263 and 74.25(e)(1)). In addition, for this competition, the Secretary will authorize grant recipients to use grant funds to pay certain pre-award costs incurred more than 90 days before the date of the grant award but no earlier than the date of the initial notice soliciting grant applications (February 24, 1999). Those authorized pre-award costs are the necessary and reasonable costs to establish, convene, and facilitate the required consortium's work in creating the plan for the proposed Statewide family literacy initiative. All pre-award costs are incurred at the recipient's risk. That is, the Secretary is under no obligation to reimburse these costs if for any reason the applicant does not receive an award or if the award is less than anticipated and inadequate to cover these costs.

Third, under this grant competition, a State that receives a grant for an Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative must contribute an amount from non-Federal sources, in cash or in kind, at least equal to the Federal funds awarded under the grant. Drawing on

non-Federal contributions is important to building successful collaborative Statewide efforts to strengthen and expand family literacy services. However, identifying sufficient resources to meet this requirement may be difficult in some instances. In those cases, if the State educational agency (SEA) is the applicant State office or agency, the SEA may request from the Secretary a waiver under section 14401 of the ESEA of the requirement that only non-Federal funds may be used to match the Federal award. Such a waiver, if approved, would allow that State to use Federal resources (such as Head Start, Title I, Adult Education Act, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and Reading Excellence Act resources), in addition to non-Federal resources, to meet the matching requirement.

Any waiver request must meet the required criteria in section 14401 by, among other things, identifying how the waiver would contribute to improvements in teaching and learning. Applicants seeking a waiver of the requirement for non-Federal matching resources should include their waiver request with their application. To receive assistance concerning a waiver request, potential waiver applicants may call the Department's Waiver Assistance Line at (202) 401-7801 or 1-800-USA-LEARN, or the program contact above. Waiver guidance, including information about preparing a request, is also available in the Department's on-line library at <http://www.ed.gov/flexibility>.

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**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 6362(c).

Dated: June 22, 1999.

**Judith Johnson,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Idaho Operations Office; Notice of Availability of Solicitation for Awards of Financial Assistance

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13812—Boxed Waste Form Nondestructive Assay Development and Demonstration

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office, is seeking applications for cost-shared research, development and demonstration of innovative technologies which will enhance economic competitiveness, increase technical capability, and minimize resource expenditure associated with the characterization of radioactive material constituents in large volume (boxed) waste forms via nondestructive assay (NDA) techniques.

Characterization shall include constituents entrained in both low level, alpha contaminated low-level, and transuranic contaminated boxed wastes. The proposed techniques must constitute an innovative system that accommodates the majority of waste forms residing in the inventory, including plutonium, uranium and fission products. The nondestructive assay technique must be able to quantify these radioactive material species in various mixtures over the spectrum of waste matrix configurations, e.g., high density matrices, heterogenous matrix compositions, etc. The three major phases include 1) design, 2) fabrication of the system and software development, and 3) testing and demonstration. The technology holder must cost share a minimum of 40% of the development phase of the project.

**DATES:** The deadline for receipt of applications is 2:00 p.m. Mountain Time July 22, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted to: Trudy A. Thorne, Procurement Services Division, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, Mail Stop 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Trudy Thorne, Contract Specialist at [Thorneta@id.doe.gov](mailto:Thorneta@id.doe.gov), Dallas Hoffer, Contracting Officer at [hofferdl@id.doe.gov](mailto:hofferdl@id.doe.gov), or Janet Surrusco at [surrusjk@id.doe.gov](mailto:surrusjk@id.doe.gov) (for questions related to accessing the solicitation).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The solicitation was issued pursuant to 10 CFR 600.6(b). DOE anticipates awarding a cooperative agreement with a project

period of two years. The awardee is required to provide a minimum of 40% cost share on the development phase of the project.

The statutory authority for this program is Public Law 95-91 and Public Law 105-245. The issuance date of Solicitation No. DE-PS07-99ID13812 is on or about June 21, 1999. The solicitation is available in full text via the Internet at the following address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doi/PSD/proc-div.html>. Technical and non-technical questions should be submitted in writing to Trudy Thorne by e-mail [thorneta@id.doe.gov](mailto:thorneta@id.doe.gov), or facsimile at 208-526-5548 no later than July 7, 1999.

Issued in Idaho Falls on June 17, 1999.

**Michael L. Adams,**

*Acting Director, Procurement Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Fossil Energy; ANP Blackstone Energy Company, Notice of Filing of Coal Capability Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act

[Docket No. FE C&E 99-11—Certification Notice—174]

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of filing

**SUMMARY:** ANP Blackstone Energy Company has submitted a coal capability self-certification pursuant to section 201 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978, as amended.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of self-certification filings are available for public inspection, upon request, in the Office of Fuels Programs, Fossil Energy, Room 3F-056, FE-52, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title II of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), provides that no new baseload electric powerplant may be constructed or operated without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source. In order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such facilities proposing to use natural gas or petroleum as its primary energy source shall certify, pursuant to FUA section 201(d), to the Secretary of