

loan guarantees, long-term loans, and investment and business development grants to producers and exporters located only in specified regions of Norway to strengthen the economic base and to increase employment in regions with low levels of economic activity.

*National Fishery Bank of Norway Loans (NFB).* The NFB provided loans for the financing of fish farms from 1974 through 1987, including long-term loans for investment in production equipment and buildings.

*Regional Capital Tax Incentive.* The aim of the Regional Capital Tax Incentive is to encourage investment in regions of Norway with a weak industrial base and considerable unemployment. Funds set aside by the taxpayer under this program are deducted from taxable income (at a maximum amount of 15 percent), and must then be invested in capital assets for the use in the taxpayer's own business.

*Reduced Payroll Taxes.* This program aims at encouraging employment of persons living in underdeveloped regions of Norway. Under the National Insurance Act, employers are liable for the payment of payroll taxes which are based on a percentage of the wages paid in the course of a year. However, since 1975, the amount of contributions have been geographically differentiated depending on the municipality in which the employee resides.

*Advance Depreciation of Business Assets.* This program encourages investment in less-developed areas of Norway by allowing companies located in selected districts of the country to claim a higher rate of depreciation in the year in which capital assets are acquired. Eligible companies, depending on their location, are allowed to take a first-year deduction of either 25 or 40 percent. After this initial deduction, the producer is then allowed to take the standard deduction on the remainder of the depreciable value of the asset.

*Government Bank of Agriculture.* The Bank administers the Norwegian Fund of Development in Agriculture which was established to create supplemental income and employment for farmers. The Bank provides both long-term loans and interest-free loans and grants to all agricultural producers throughout Norway, however, there are maximum levels of assistance which differ by region.

**Final Results of Review**

As a result of this review, the Department finds that revocation of the countervailing duty order would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of a

countervailable subsidy at the rate listed below:

Producer/exporter	Net countervailable subsidy (percent)
All Producers/Exporters from Norway .....	2.27

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 of the Department's regulations. Timely notification of return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This five-year ("sunset") review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(c), 752, and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 28, 2000.

**Holly A. Kuga,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE**

**Notice of Transmittal of Sequestration Preview Report for Fiscal Year 2001 to the Congress and the Office of Management and Budget.**

Pursuant to section 254(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 904(b)), the Congressional Budget Office hereby reports that it has submitted its *Sequestration Preview Report for Fiscal Year 2001* to the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Office of Management and Budget

**Dan L. Crippen,**

*Director, Congressional Budget Office.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[CFDA No.: 84.132A-1]

**Centers for Independent Living; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000**

*Purpose of Program:* This program provides support for planning, conducting, administering, and evaluating centers for independent living (centers) that comply with the

standards and assurances in section 725 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Act), consistent with the State plan for establishing a statewide network of centers. Centers are consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability, nonresidential, private nonprofit agencies that are designed and operated within local communities by individuals with disabilities and provide an array of independent living (IL) services.

*Eligible Applicants:* To be eligible to apply, an applicant must—(a) be a consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability, nonresidential, private nonprofit agency as defined in 34 CFR 364.4(b); (b) have the power and authority to meet the requirements in 34 CFR 366.2(a)(1); (c) be able to plan, conduct, administer, and evaluate a center for independent living consistent with the requirements of section 725(b) and (c) of the Act and Subparts F and G of 34 CFR part 366; and (d) either—(1) not currently be receiving funds under Part C of Chapter 1 of Title VII of the Act; or (2) propose the expansion of an existing center through the establishment of a separate and complete center (except that the governing board of the existing center may serve as the governing board of the new center) in a different geographical location. Eligibility under this competition is limited to entities that meet the requirements of 34 CFR 366.24 and propose to serve areas that are unserved or underserved in the States and territories listed under Available Funds.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* March 31, 2000.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* May 30, 2000.

*Applications Available:* February 8, 2000.

*Available Funds:* \$697,191 as distributed in the following manner:

American Samoa .....	\$154,046
Arizona .....	32,983
California .....	124,582
Guam .....	58,162
Maryland .....	25,597
New York .....	77,043
N. Marianas .....	58,162
Ohio .....	47,459
Texas .....	119,157

*Estimated Range of Awards:* \$25,597–\$154,046.

*Estimated Average Size of Awards:* \$77,466.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 1 per eligible State.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 60 months.

*Applicable Regulations:* (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 364 and 366.

*For Applications Contact:* Education Publications Center (ED Pubs), P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398. Telephone (toll free): 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (301) 470-1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll free): 1-877-576-7734. You may also contact ED Pubs via its Web site (<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html>) or its E-mail address (edpubs@inet.ed.gov). If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this competition as follows: CFDA number 84.132A-1.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format by contacting the Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 205-8351. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jackie Maddox, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3316, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2741. Telephone: (202) 401-3088. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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**Program Authority:**  
29 U.S.C. 796f, 796f-1, 796f-4, and 796f-5.

Dated: February 1, 2000.

**Judith E. Heumann,**

*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Availability of Financial Assistance Solicitation

**AGENCY:** National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of financial assistance solicitation.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the intent to issue Financial Assistance Solicitation DE-PS26-00NT40777 entitled "High Pressure Combustion Kinetics". The Department of Energy announces that it intends to conduct a competitive Program Solicitation and award financial assistance (cooperative agreements) to U.S. universities, private energy equipment researchers, developers or manufacturers. Teaming among organizations with expertise in energy systems development, computational modeling, and experimental research is highly encouraged. The program seeks to obtain reaction kinetic data of high pressure (12-33 atmospheres) and high temperature (1600-3000 °F) combustion systems, which operate in reaction environments ranging from sub-stoichiometric to oxygen enhanced, to serve as a basis for development of advanced combustion power systems. Applications will be subjected to review by a DOE technical panel, and awards will be made to a limited number of applicants based on a scientific engineering evaluation of the responses received to determine the relative merit of the approach taken in response to this offering by the DOE, and funding availability.

**DATES:** The solicitation will be available on the DOE/NETL's Internet address at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business> on or about February 15, 2000. The closing date for submission of applications will be April 3, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Donna J. Jaskolka, MS 921-107, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, Acquisition and Assistance Division, P.O. Box 10940,

Pittsburgh PA 15236-0940, Telephone: (412) 386-6106, FAX: (412) 386-6137, E-mail: [jaskolka@netl.doe.gov](mailto:jaskolka@netl.doe.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title of Solicitation:* DE-PS26-00NT40777, "High Pressure Combustion Kinetics".

*Objectives:* The overall objective of Financial Assistance Solicitation No. DE-PS26-00NT40777 is to obtain quantitative kinetic expressions required for flow simulation, design and operation of high pressure (12-33 atm), high temperature (1600-3000 °F) combustion systems, which operate in reaction environments ranging from sub-stoichiometric to oxygen enhanced, to serve as a basis for development of advanced combustion power systems.

*Eligibility:* Eligibility for participation in this Program Solicitation is unrestricted. The solicitation will contain a complete description of the technical evaluation factors and relative importance of each factor.

*Areas of Interest:* Each proposal (application) submitted in response to DE-PS26-00NT40777 must focus on one of the following distinct areas of interest: (1) Suspension fired combustion systems including pulverized coal and cyclone fired combustion systems, or (2) Fluidized bed combustion systems including bubbling, circulating, and transport fluidization combustion systems. If an offeror is interested in conducting research in more than one area, the offeror must submit a separate proposal for each item.

The proposers (applicants) who do the best job of focusing and integrating the combustion kinetics experimental program to extend and/or develop computational combustion systems models that can be used for evaluation and design of Vision 21 combustion systems will have the highest potential for acceptance. The proposals that include schematics and narrative descriptions of coal fueled energy plants (power and/or transportation fuels and/or chemical) that include combustion systems that have a high potential to meet the Vision 21 goals referenced above based on extension of the state of the art or based on new novel systems approaches are sought. The experimental work proposed must be a product for the extension or development of a specific (proposer defined) design model to characterize combustion systems defined in the areas of interest described below.

*Awards:* DOE anticipates issuing financial assistance (cooperative agreements) for each project selected. DOE reserves the right to support or not