

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U. S. C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: February 18, 1998.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Extension

*Title:* Performance Report for the Training Program for Federal TRIO Programs

*Frequency:* Annually  
*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or LEAs

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 16 Burden Hours: 60

*Abstract:* Data assures that grantees have conducted the project for which funded, signals problems of implementation, and indicates extent and quality of performance. The Department uses reports in evaluating project for continuation, assessing technical assistance needs, determining future funding levels and in assigning scores to projects in competition for new grants.

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Extension

*Title:* Application for Grants Under the Centers for International Business Education Program

*Frequency:* Every 3 to 4 years

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 30 Burden Hours: 560

*Abstract:* Centers for International Business Education: Collect program and budget information to make grants to institutions of higher education.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (OMB Control No. 1890-0001). Therefore, this 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

(CFDA No.: 84.264A)

#### **Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs; Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 1998**

*Purpose of Program:* To support cooperative agreements for training centers that serve either a Federal region or another geographic area and provide a broad, integrated sequence of training activities throughout a multi-State geographical area that focus on meeting recurrent and common training needs of employed rehabilitation personnel.

*Eligible Applicants:* State and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes and institutions of higher education.

*Supplementary Information:* On September 22, 1997, the Secretary

published in the **Federal Register** a notice inviting applications for Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs. The two applications submitted from Region VII, and the one application submitted from Region X, were found unacceptable. The Secretary believes that by reannouncing the competition in Region VII and Region X, acceptable applications will be submitted.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* April 10, 1998.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* June 9, 1998.

*Applications Available:* February 24, 1998.

*Available Funds:* \$685,620.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* \$318,612-\$348,500.

*Maximum Awards by Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)*

*Region:* In no case does the Secretary make an initial award greater than the amount listed for each of the following RSA regions for a single budget period of 12 months. The Secretary rejects and does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding this amount.

*Maximum Level of Awards by RSA Region:*

Region VII—\$348,500

Region X—\$337,120

**Note:** Applicants should apply for level funding for each project year. Also, applicants are subject to a four percent cost-share requirement on awards.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 2.

**Note:** Applications are invited for the provision of training for Department of Education Regions VII and X only. 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, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR Parts 385 and 389.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR Part 79 apply to all applicants except federally recognized Indian tribes.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR Part 86 apply to institutions of higher education only.

Specifically note that under section 21(b)(6) of the Rehabilitation Act, as amended, applicants are required to demonstrate how they will address, in whole or in part, the needs of individuals with disabilities from minority backgrounds.

*For Applications Contact:* The Grants and Contracts Service Team (GCST), U.S. Department of Education, 600

Independence Avenue, S.W., room 3317 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 205-8351. The preferred method for requesting applications is to FAX your request to (202) 205-8717. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format by contacting the GCST. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

*For Information Contact:* Mary C. Lynch, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 3322 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-2649. Telephone: (202) 205-8291.

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

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To use the pdf you must have the Adobe Acrobat Reader Program with Search, which is available free at either of the previous sites. If you have questions about using the pdf, call the U.S. Government Printing Office toll free at 1-888-293-6498.

Anyone may also view these documents in text copy only on an electronic bulletin board of the Department. Telephone: (202) 219-1511 or toll free, 1-800-222-4922. The documents are located under Option G—Files/Announcements, Bulletins and Press Releases.

**Note:** The official version of a document is the document published in the **Federal Register**.

**Program Authority:** 29 U.S.C. 774.

Dated: February 18, 1998.

**Howard R. Moses,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada Test Site

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Meeting cancellation notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the cancellation of the open Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Nevada Test Site Advisory Committee meeting, which was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 4, 1998, from 5:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m., at the U.S. Department of Energy Nevada Support Facility, Great Basin Room, 232 Energy Way, North Las Vegas, Nevada. This meeting was announced in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, February 10, 1998 (63 FR 6736).

Issued at Washington, DC on February 18, 1998.

**Althea T. Vanzego,**

*Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Secretary of Energy Advisory Board

#### Notice of Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**SUMMARY:** Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting: Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board.

**DATES AND TIMES:** Wednesday, March 4, 1998, 9:00 am–4:30 pm.

**ADDRESSES:** The Georgetown University Conference Center, Salon H, 3800 Reservoir Road, NW, Washington D.C. 20057.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586-1709 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Purpose of the Board**

The Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (Board) reports directly to the Secretary of Energy and is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee

Act, section 624(b) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. 95-91). The Board provides the Secretary of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on issues of national importance. The Board and its Task Force Subcommittees provide timely, balanced, and authoritative advice to the Secretary on the Department's management reforms, research, development, and technology activities, energy and national security responsibilities, environmental cleanup activities, and economic issues relating to energy.

**Tentative Agenda**

*Wednesday, March 4, 1998*

9:00 am–9:15 am

Welcome & Opening Remarks—  
Chairman Walter Massey

9:15 am–11:30 am

Departmental Briefings

11:30 am–12:30 pm

Lunch

12:30 pm–1:00 pm

Secretary of Energy Remarks—  
Secretary Federico Peña

1:00 pm–4:00 pm

SEAB Subcommittee Reports

4:00 pm–4:30 pm

Public Comment Period

4:30 pm

Closing Remarks

This tentative agenda is subject to change. The final agenda will be available at the meeting.

**Public Participation**

The Chairman of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a way that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Washington D.C., the Board welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585.

*Minutes:* Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board may