DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Energy Technology Laboratory; Notice of availability of a Financial Assistance Solicitation

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

ACTION: Notice of availability of a Financial Assistance Solicitation.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the intent to issue Financial Assistance Solicitation No. DE-PS26-03NT41463 entitled "2003 Climate Change Fuel Cell Buy-Down Program. The objective of the cost-shared program is to simultaneously stimulate commercialization of stationary fuel cell power plants and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through the efficient use of fossil fuels.

DATES: The solicitation will be available on the "Industry Interactive Procurement System" (IIPS) webpage located at http://e-center.doe.gov on or about December 30, 2002. Applicants can obtain access to the solicitation from the address above or through DOE/NETL's web site at http://www.netl.doe.gov/business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Nolan, Contract Specialist, MS 107, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, P.O. Box 880, 3610 Collins Ferry Road, Morgantown, WV 26507–0880, E-mail Address: michael.nolan@netl.doe.gov, Telephone Number: (304) 285–4149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: With support from the Department of Defense (DoD), DOE, through the National Energy Technology Laboratory, will issue a financial assistance solicitation for grant applications from qualifying applicants proposing demonstrations of stationary fuel-cell powered plants. The Federal support will not exceed the lower of \$1,000/kW or one-third of the total project costs which includes unit cost, installation, and one year of operation. The solicitation will be issued on or about December 30, 2002, and applications will be due on or about June 1, 2003. Awards are projected for September 2003 with all project work (including one calendar year of operation and a final report) to be completed by September 30, 2006. Once released, the solicitation will be available for downloading from the IIPS Internet page at http://e-center.doe.gov. At this Internet site you will also be able to register with IIPS, enabling you to submit an application. If you need technical assistance in registering or for any other IIPS function, call the IIPS Help Desk at (800) 683-0751 or E-mail

the Help Desk personnel at IIPS HelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov. The solicitation will only be made available in IIPS, no hard (paper) copies of the solicitation and related documents will be made available. Telephone requests, written requests, E-mail requests, or facsimile requests for a copy of the solicitation package will not be accepted and/or honored. Applications must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the instructions and forms contained in the solicitation. The actual solicitation document will allow for requests for explanation and/or interpretation.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

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

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The 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: Thursday, February 6, 2003, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Friday, February 7, 2003, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Red Lion Hotel Hanford House, 802 George Washington Way, Richland, WA, Phone: (509) 946–7611, Fax: (509) 943–8564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Yvonne Sherman, Public Involvement Program Manager, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, 825 Jadwin, MSIN A7–75, Richland, WA, 99352; Phone: (509) 376–6216; Fax: (509) 376– 1563.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda:

Thursday, February 6, 2003

• Introduction and discussion of Draft Advice on the Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Accelerated Retrieval, Treatment and Disposal of Tank Waste and Closure of Tanks at the Hanford site.

- Strategic Initiative #4, Accelerated Waste Disposal, Performance Management Plan for Accelerated Cleanup of the Hanford Site and emerging issues on off-site waste shipments.
- 116N Trench Determination of Significance.
- Introduction and discussion of Draft Advice on Transuranic Waste from EM SSAB Transuranic Waste Management Workshop

Friday, February 7, 2003.

- Adoption of Draft Advice.
- Hanford Exposure Scenarios Task Force Final Report.
- Hanford Advisory Board Annual Report for 2002.
- Hanford Advisory Board Self Evaluation.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Yvonne Sherman's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy 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 equal time to present their comments.

Minutes: The 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 writing to Yvonne Sherman, Department of Energy Richland Operation Office, 825 Jadwin, MSIN A7–75, Richland, WA 99352, or by calling her at (509) 376–1563.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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