Applications Available: November 22, 1996.

Available Funds: \$563,666 as distributed in the following manner:

American Samoa \$154,046

California \$152,668

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands \$52,049

Delaware \$49,485

Florida \$64,995

Guam \$52,049

Illinois \$38,374

Estimated Range of Awards: \$38,374 to \$154,046.

Estimated Number of Awards: 1 per eligible State or territory; possibly 2 in California.

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 or Further Information Contact: John Nelson, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence, S.W., Room 3326 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202–2741. Telephone (202) 205–9362. 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.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be downloaded from the Rehabilitation Services Administration's electronic bulletin board, telephone (202) 205-5574 (2400 bps) and (202) 205-9950 (9600 bps); and can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (Ed Board), telephone (202) 260-9950; on the Internet Gopher Server (at gopher:// gcs.ed.gov/); or on the World Wide Web (at http://gcs.ed.gov). However, the official application notice for this competition is the notice published in the Federal Register.

Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 721 (c) and (e) and 796(f).

Dated: November 4, 1996.

Judith E. Heumann,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Teleconference

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Education.

ACTION: Notice of teleconference.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a teleconference of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend. The public is being given less than 15 days notice of this meeting in order to accommodate the members' schedules and the procurement deadlines of the Office of Educational Research and Improvement.

DATES AND TIMES: November 20, 1996; 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: First Floor Conference Room (Room 100), 80 F St., NW., Washington, DC 20208–7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John Christensen, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, 80 F St., NW., Washington, DC 20208–7564. Telephone: (202) 219–2065; Fax: (202) 219–1528.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994 (the Act). The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (the Office) to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office.

The teleconference is open to the public. The Board will review and comment on the Assistant Secretary's plans for the expenditure of additional appropriations for FY 1997. A final agenda will be available from the Board's office on November 13, 1996.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings, and are available for public inspection at the office of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, 80 F St., NW., Washington, DC 20208–7564. Dated: November 5, 1996. Eve M. Bither, *Executive Director*. [FR Doc. 96–28906 Filed 11–8–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4000–01–M

National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Meeting

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Education. **ACTION:** Notice of committee meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a meeting of the Committee on Standards of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 19(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend.

DATES AND TIMES: December 5, 1996; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: First Floor Conference Room, 80 F St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20208.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Christensen, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, 80 F St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20208–7564. Telephone: (202) 219–2065; Fax: (202) 219–1528. Internet:

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The agenda for December 5 will center on a review of the standards which are under development for evaluating and assessing the