

Projected Number of DOE FTEs To Be Announced for Competition in FY 2006

The Department of Energy anticipates announcing an estimated 100-300 FTEs for public-private competition under its Competitive Sourcing program by the end of FY 2006.

The Department is employing a sound methodology for identifying potential competitions, nominating potential competition candidates, analyzing nominated candidates through feasibility reviews, executing competitions, and implementing the results. The Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998 (FAIR Act) commercial activities inventory forms the primary basis for identifying potential candidates for nomination to undergo a feasibility review. A feasibility review, which is not a formal competitive sourcing study, is a preliminary assessment to determine if a "candidate" function meets the criteria for being considered for a standard (12 month) or streamlined (90-day) competitive sourcing study.

Throughout our review processes the Department is ensuring a careful and thorough analysis of all competitive sourcing candidates. The potential scope of the study, mission impacts, risks, costs, estimated return on investment, and timeframe will be considered during the feasibility review process.