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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science Financial Assistance Program Notice DE-FG01-03ER03-25; Office of Nuclear Physics Outstanding Junior Investigator Program

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice inviting grant applications.

SUMMARY: The Office of Nuclear Physics of the Office of Science (SC), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), invites grant applications for support under the Outstanding Junior Investigator Program (OJI) in nuclear physics. The purpose of this program is to support the development of individual research programs of outstanding scientists early in their careers. Applications should be from tenure-track faculty who are currently involved in experimental or theoretical nuclear physics research, the U.S. Nuclear Data (USDNP) program, or accelerator physics research and should be submitted through a U.S. academic institution.

DATES: To permit timely consideration of awards in Fiscal Year 2004, formal applications submitted in response to this notice must be received by November 11, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Formal applications in response to this solicitation are to be electronically submitted by an authorized institutional business official through DOE's Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) at: <http://e-center.doe.gov/>. IIPS provides for the posting of solicitations and receipt of applications in a paperless environment via the Internet. In order to submit applications through IIPS your business official will need to register at the IIPS website. It is suggested that this registration be completed several days prior to the date on which you plan to submit the formal application. The Office of Science will include attachments as part of this notice that provide the appropriate forms in PDF fillable format that are to be submitted through IIPS. IIPS offers the option of submitting multiple files—please limit submissions to only one file within the volume if possible, with a maximum of no more than four files. Color images should be submitted in IIPS as a separate file in PDF format and

identified as such. These images should be kept to a minimum due to the limitations of reproducing them. They should be numbered and referred to in the body of the technical scientific proposal as Color image 1, Color image 2, etc. Questions regarding the operation of IIPS may be e-mailed to the IIPS Help Desk at: helpdesk@pr.doe.gov or you may call the help desk at: (800) 683-0751. Further information on the use of IIPS by the Office of Science is available at: <http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Sidney A. Coon, Office of Nuclear Physics, SC-90/Germantown Building, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290. Telephone: (301) 903-3613. Fax: (301) 903-3833. E-Mail address: Sidney.A.Coon@science.doe.gov. The full text of Program Notice DE-FG01-03ER03-25 is available via the World Wide Web using the following web address: <http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is the fifth year of an Outstanding Junior Investigator Program in Nuclear Physics. A principal goal of this program is to identify exceptionally talented nuclear physicists early in their careers and to facilitate the development of their research programs. The proposed research is expected to make an important contribution to the vigor of the U.S. Nuclear Physics program.

Program Funding

The DOE expects to make several awards in Fiscal Year 2004; four awards were made in Fiscal Year 2003. The actual number of awards will be determined by the number of excellent applications and the total amount of funds available for this program. It is anticipated that a total of up to \$250,000 will be available in Fiscal Year 2004 for funding the program, subject to availability of appropriated funds, and that awards would be for three to five year terms. At the end of the initial term, these grants may be renewed, subject to appropriate external peer review at the time of renewal, as long as the recipient's tenure status is unchanged.

Research Areas

OJI research applications should be clearly aligned with at least one of the following Office of Nuclear Physics long-term performance measures and be able to contribute to its overall progress.

- Make precision measurements of fundamental properties of the proton,

neutron, and simple nuclei for comparison with theoretical calculations to provide a quantitative understanding of their quark substructure.

- Recreate brief, tiny samples of hot, dense nuclear matter to search for the quark-gluon plasma and characterize its properties.
- Investigate new regions of nuclear structure, study interactions in nuclear matter like those occurring in neutron stars, and determine the reactions that created the nuclei of atomic elements inside stars and supernovae.
- Measure fundamental properties of neutrinos and fundamental symmetries by using neutrinos from the sun and nuclear reactors, and by using radioactive decay measurements.

Project Description

Project descriptions should be limited to a maximum of 20 pages (including text and figures) of technical information. In addition, please limit biographical and publication information for the principal investigator to no more than two pages each. Each principal investigator should provide an E-mail address and a list of recent collaborators (*i.e.*, within the last four years). In addition to the information required by 10 CFR part 605 each application should contain the following items: (1) A succinct statement of the goal of the research, (2) a detailed research plan, (3) the specific results expected at the end of the project period, (4) an analysis of the adequacy of the budget, (5) a discussion of the impact of the proposed research on other fields of science, and (6) for projects requiring significant computational resources (*e.g.*, at the National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center), an estimate and justification of the resources that will be required.

Merit Review

Applications will be subjected to scientific merit review (peer review) and will be evaluated against the following criteria, listed in descending order of importance as codified at 10 CFR part 605.10 (d):

1. Scientific and/or technical merit of the project;
 2. Appropriateness of the proposed method or approach;
 3. Competency of applicant's personnel and adequacy of proposed resources;
 4. Reasonableness and appropriateness of the proposed budget.
- Additional criteria, which will be considered: Future promise of the

investigator, and the resources and interest of the sponsoring institution.

General information about development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluation and selection processes, and other policies and procedures are contained in the Application Guide for the Office of Science Financial Assistance Program and 10 CFR part 605. Electronic access to the latest version of SC's Application Guide is possible via the Internet at the following Web site address: <http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>. DOE is under no obligation to pay for any costs associated with the preparation or submission of applications.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049, and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR part 605.

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John Rodney Clark,

Associate Director of Science for Resource Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Agency information collection activities: submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The EIA has submitted the Uranium Data Program to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and a three-year extension under section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

DATES: Comments must be filed by October 17, 2003. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within that period, you should contact the OMB Desk Officer for DOE listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to, OMB Desk Officer for DOE, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by FAX (202-395-7285) or e-mail (Ballen@omb.eop.gov) is recommended. The mailing address is

726 Jackson Place NW., Washington, DC 20503. The OMB DOE Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-3087. (A copy of your comments should also be provided to EIA's Statistics and Methods Group at the address below.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Grace Sutherland. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by FAX (202-287-1705) or e-mail (grace.sutherland@eia.doe.gov) is recommended. The mailing address is Statistics and Methods Group (EI-70), Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585-0670. Ms. Sutherland may be contacted by telephone at (202) 287-1712.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This section contains the following information about the energy information collection submitted to OMB for review: (1) The collection numbers and title; (2) the sponsor (*i.e.*, the Department of Energy component); (3) the current OMB docket number (if applicable); (4) the type of request (*i.e.*, new, revision, extension, or reinstatement); (5) response obligation (*i.e.*, mandatory, voluntary, or required to obtain or retain benefits); (6) a description of the need for and proposed use of the information; (7) a categorical description of the likely respondents; and (8) an estimate of the total annual reporting burden (*i.e.*, the estimated number of likely respondents times the proposed frequency of response per year times the average hours per response).

1. Forms EIA-858, EIA-851A, and EIA-851Q, "Uranium Data Program."
2. Energy Information Administration.
3. OMB Number: 1905-0160.
4. Three-year extension with revisions of a currently approved collection.
5. Mandatory.
6. EIA's Uranium Data Program collects basic data necessary to meet EIA's legislative mandates as well as the needs of EIA's public and private customers. Data collected include uranium exploration, reserves, production, processing, and marketing. The data are used for analyses and publications. Respondents are companies comprising the U.S. uranium industry.

On April 8, 2003, EIA issued a **Federal Register** notice soliciting comments on the uranium surveys. Since that time, EIA has decided to collect most of the information reported on the Forms EIA-851A, EIA-851Q, and EIA-858 as confidential in accordance with the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act

of 2002 (Title V of Pub. L. 107-347). In accordance with CIPSEA, that information would be used exclusively for statistical purposes.

7. Business or other for profit.

8. 1044 hours (98 respondents times $\times$ 1.25 responses per year times $\times$ 8.5 hours per response).

Please refer to the supporting statement as well as the proposed forms and instructions for more information about the purpose, who must report, when to report, where to submit, the elements to be reported, detailed instructions, provisions for confidentiality, and uses (including possible nonstatistical uses) of the information. For instructions on obtaining materials, see the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Statutory Authority: Section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13)(44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*)

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Jay H. Casselberry,

Agency Clearance Officer, Statistics and Methods Group, Energy Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP03-412-003]

Central New York Oil and Gas Company, LLC; Notice of Compliance Filing

September 10, 2003.

Take notice that on September 8, 2003, Central New York Oil and Gas Company, LLC (CNYOG) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 21B and Sixth Revised Sheet No. 103, to be effective July 1, 2003.

CNYOG states that the purpose of its filing is to comply with the Commission's August 29, 2003 Letter Order in this proceeding which accepted CNYOG's revised tariff sheets as satisfactorily complying with an earlier letter order in this proceeding. CNYOG further states that the August 29 Letter Order also directed CNYOG to file revised tariff sheets to delete incorporation by reference of Wholesale Gas Quadrant Standard 5.3.55 and include that standard in the text of CNYOG's tariff.

CNYOG notes that it has served copies of this filing upon the company's