Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290. The most current information concerning this meeting can be found on the Web site: http://www.science.doe.gov/ober/berac/ announce.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.

Tentative Agenda

- Report from the Office of Science.
- Report from the Office of Biological and Environmental Research.
 - Presentation of Workshop Reports.
- News from the Biological Systems
 Science and Climate and Environmental
 Sciences Divisions.
- Update on Joint Genome Institute Strategic Planning.
- Report on the BER Climate Sciences Strategic Plan.
- BER Response to Life and Medical Sciences Division Committee of Visitors Report.
- BERAC Discussion of Strategy for Developing a 20-Year Planning Horizon for Biological and Environmental Research.
 - New Business.
 - Public Comment.

Public Participation: The day and a half meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact David Thomassen at the address or telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 45 days at the BERAC Web site: http://www.science.doe.gov/ober/berac/Minutes.html.

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Rachel M. Samuel.

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E9–2354 Filed 2–3–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC)

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC) was established under section 807 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT), Public Law No. 109-58: 119 Stat. 849. The Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, requires that agencies publish notice of an advisory committee meeting in the **Federal Register**. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements during the public comment period, please e-mail HTAC@nrel.gov at least 5 business days before the meeting. Please indicate if you will be attending the meeting both days or a specific day, if you want to make an oral statement on February 19, 2009, and what organization you represent (if appropriate).

DATES: Wednesday, February 18, 2009, from 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. and Thursday, February 19, 2009, from 9 a.m.–2:45 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: HTAC@nrel.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary on the program authorized by title VIII of EPACT.

Tentative Agenda (Subject to change; updates will be posted on *http://hydrogen.energy.gov* and copies of the final agenda will be available the date of the meeting).

The following items will be covered on the agenda:

- Perspectives on the Role of Hydrogen in the Obama Administration.
- Hydrogen Program Response to the GAO Comment on Technical Targets.
- Jobs in the Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Industry.
- Draft and Discussion on the HTAC Annual Report.
- Hydrogen Policy Analysis by Argus

 Research
- Progress in Low Platinum and No-Platinum Catalysts.
- Fuel Cell Investment Tax Credit.
- Open Discussion.
- Next Steps.

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are

welcome to observe the business of the meeting of HTAC and to make oral statements during the specified period for public comment. The public comment period will take place between 9 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. on February 19, 2009. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, e-mail HTAC@nrel.gov at least 5 business days before the meeting. Please indicate if you will be attending the meeting on both days or a particular day, if you want to make an oral statement, and what organization you represent (if appropriate). Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up for the public comment period. Oral comments should be limited to two minutes in length. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The chair of the committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties and to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. If you would like to file a written statement with the committee, you may do so either by submitting a hard copy at the meeting or by submitting an electronic copy to HTAC@nrel.gov.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review at http://hydrogen.energy.gov.

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Rachel Samuel,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC09-716-001]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-716); Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

January 28, 2009.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB