

fuels that: (1) Are derived from a diverse mix of secure energy resources; (2) enable mobile (ground, air, and marine) and stationary systems (e.g., home heating and industrial boilers) to comply with increasingly stringent Federal, state, and local emissions standards; (3) are compatible with existing liquid, and/or designed in concert with future, fuels infrastructures; (4) satisfy commercial and military requirements; (5) enable the efficiency of the transportation fleet to be more than doubled, and (6) are cost competitive with conventional fuels.

This solicitation seeks to create strategic partnerships targeted at the development and verification of advanced fuel-making processes that utilize stable fossil resources. These processes will enable the production of clean transportation fuels that improve the environment, while also expanding and diversifying the fossil resource base. This solicitation represents a major step toward establishing the scientific and engineering foundation on which the next generation of transportation fuel technologies will rest.

DATES: A draft Program Solicitation will be available on or about January 24, 2001. Comments and/or questions concerning the draft version must be submitted to, and received by the DOE Contract Specialist no later than February 23, 2001. The mailing and E-mail addresses are provided below.

ADDRESSES: The draft Program Solicitation will be available on the DOE/NETL's Internet address at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business/solicit>. The final version of the solicitation along with all amendments will be posted at this same Internet address; applicants are therefore encouraged to periodically check this NETL address to ascertain the status of these documents. Applications must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the instructions and forms contained in the final version of this Program Solicitation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry D. Gillham, MS: 921-118, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, 626 Cochran's Mill Road, P.O. Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236-0940, E-mail Address: gillham@netl.doe.gov, Telephone Number: (412) 386-5817.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOE anticipates award of multiple cost-sharing cooperative agreements; but the DOE reserves the right to award the agreement type and number deemed in its best interest. As required in Section 3002, Title XXX of the Energy Policy Act (EPAct), offerors are advised that

mandatory 20% cost-share will be required for each project. Not all of the necessary funds are currently available for this solicitation; the Government's obligation under any cooperative agreement awarded is contingent upon the availability of appropriated FY2001 through FY2006 funds.

It is DOE's desire to encourage the widest participation including the involvement of small business concerns, and small disadvantaged business concerns. Multiple pre-solicitation workshops are planned. Information on the dates, times and locations of the pre-solicitation workshops may be found on the NETL website at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business/solicit/index.html>. In order to gain the necessary expertise to review proposals, non-Federal personnel may be used as evaluators or advisors in the evaluation of proposals.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Paducah. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, February 15, 2001; 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Paducah Information Age Park Resource Center, 2000 McCracken Boulevard, Paducah, KY.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John D. Sheppard, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, KY 42001, (270) 441-6804.

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 and waste management activities.

Tentative Agenda

5:30 p.m.—Informal Discussion

6:00 p.m.—Call to Order

6:10 p.m.—Approve Minutes

6:20 p.m.—Presentations

Board Response

Public Comments

8:00 p.m.—Subcommittee Reports

Board Response

Public Comments

8:30 p.m.—Administrative Issues

9:00 p.m.—Adjourn

Copies of the final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact John D. Sheppard at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The 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 a maximum of five minutes to present their comments as the first item of the meeting agenda.

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 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Department of Energy's Environmental Information Center and Reading Room at 175 Freedom Boulevard, Highway 60, Kevil, Kentucky between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday thru Friday or by writing to John D. Sheppard, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001 or by calling him at (270) 441-6804.

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