

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Department of the Navy****Meetings of the Naval Research Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of partially closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC) will meet to discuss classified information from government organizations. All sessions of the meetings, except the NRAC Security, Ethics, and Travel Brief on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., will be devoted to briefings, discussions, and technical examinations of issues related to maritime strategy and Department of the Navy plans, programs, and objectives. It is envisioned that these discussions will enable the NRAC to identify technology gaps where additional science and technology investments may be needed to satisfy current and projected Navy and Marine Corps requirements.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on Tuesday, December 5, 2006, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Wednesday, December 6, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. During the NRAC Security, Ethics, and Travel Brief on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., the meeting will be open to the public.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Office of Naval Research, Room 1432, The Frances Rothwell Room, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Sujata Millick, Program Director, Naval Research Advisory Committee, 875 North Randolph Street, Arlington, VA 22203-1995, 703-696-4875.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). All sessions of the meetings, except the NRAC Security, Ethics, and Travel Brief on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., will be devoted to executive sessions that will include discussions and technical examinations of information related to forthcoming NRAC studies. These briefings and discussions will contain classified information that is specifically authorized under criteria established by Executive Order to remain classified in the interest of national defense and are properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order. The classified and non-classified matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined as to preclude opening any portions of the meetings. In accordance with 5 U.S.C.

App. 2, section 10(d), the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of the meeting, with the exception of the NRAC Security, Ethics, and Travel Brief on Tuesday, December 5, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., be closed to the public because the sessions will be concerned with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and (4).

Dated: November 20, 2006.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 28, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Rachel Potter, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested,

e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: November 20, 2006.

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**Institute of Education Sciences**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Educational Support Needs Assessment.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 350.

*Burden Hours:* 88.

*Abstract:* This data collection will assess the support needs of Curriculum Coordinators and Principals in each of seven states: Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming. The survey will focus on their needs for support in the various areas: obtaining, understanding and utilizing educational research, in-service needs, developing leadership and management capabilities in the staff, improvement plans and interventions. It will also determine the perceptions of the importance for McREL to fund such initiatives in support of these areas.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3190. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal

Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Amended Record of Decision: Idaho High-Level Waste and Facilities Disposition Final Environmental Impact Statement

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Amended Record of Decision.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is amending its Record of Decision (ROD) published December 19, 2005 (70 **Federal Register** [FR] 75165), pursuant to the Idaho High-Level Waste and Facilities Disposition Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) (DOE/EIS-0287, September 2002). The Final EIS analyzed two sets of alternatives for accomplishing DOE's proposed actions regarding the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center (INTEC): (1) Waste processing alternatives and (2) facility disposition alternatives. As described in this Amended ROD, DOE has decided to conduct performance-based closure of the INTEC Tank Farm Facility (TFF). This decision to conduct performance-based closure of the TFF does not affect decisions made in the initial ROD concerning: performance-based closure of other existing facilities directly related to the HLW Program; planned clean closure of newly constructed waste processing facilities needed to implement the initial ROD; steam reforming treatment of sodium-bearing waste (SBW) to allow disposal at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad, New Mexico (DOE's preferred disposal path) or at a geologic repository for spent nuclear fuel (SNF) and HLW; management of newly generated liquid waste (NGLW); and DOE's strategy to retrieve HLW calcine for disposal outside the State of Idaho. Nor does this Amended ROD affect future decisions concerning the retrieval strategy for HLW calcine stored at INTEC, potential calcine treatment if necessary, and closure of the bin sets in which the calcine is stored.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of this Amended ROD will be available on DOE's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Web site at: <http://www.eh.doe.gov/nepa> under DOE NEPA Documents. Copies of the Section 3116 Determination and associated documents are available on DOE's Web site at <http://apps.em.doe.gov/idwd>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information on this Amended ROD and the Idaho Cleanup Project, contact Scott Van Camp, Assistant Manager, Facility and Materials Disposition Project, U.S. DOE, Idaho Operations Office, 1955 Fremont Avenue, MS-1222, Idaho Falls, ID 83415, Telephone: (208) 526-6503.

For general information on DOE's NEPA process, please contact: Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (GC-20), U.S. DOE, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0103, Telephone: (202) 586-4600 or leave a message at (800) 472-2756.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

From 1952 to 1991, DOE and its predecessor agencies reprocessed SNF at INTEC, known prior to 1998 as the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, on the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Site. Reprocessing operations used solvent extraction systems to remove mostly uranium-235 from SNF. The waste product from the first extraction cycle of the reprocessing operation was liquid HLW mixed with hazardous materials, which was stored in belowgrade stainless steel tanks at the INTEC TFF. Subsequent extraction cycles, treatment processes, and follow-on decontamination activities generated additional liquids that were combined to form liquid SBW, which is generally much less radioactive than HLW generated from the first extraction cycle. After SNF reprocessing was curtailed in 1991, the first cycle reprocessing wastes were removed from the tanks in the TFF and the tanks were reused to store liquid SBW. The liquid SBW was stored in ten of the eleven 300,000-gallon belowgrade storage tanks in the TFF. The eleventh tank was maintained as a spare (but was contaminated with a small quantity of waste). The TFF also includes four 30,000-gallon belowgrade tanks that were used in reprocessing operations. The last campaign of SNF reprocessing at INTEC was in 1991, and HLW is no longer generated at INTEC. From 1963 to 1998, DOE processed HLW and some SBW through calcination that converted the liquid waste into a dry powder calcine. Additional SBW was processed by calcination from 1998 to 2000. At present, approximately 4,400 cubic meters of HLW calcine remains stored in six bin sets (a series of reinforced concrete vaults, each containing three to seven stainless steel storage bins). Over the past several years, TFF operations have included removing SBW from the

tanks, consolidating the remaining approximately 900,000 gallons of SBW into three 300,000-gallon belowgrade tanks, and cleaning the emptied tanks. Tank cleaning to remove the tank heels in the emptied tanks (the amount of liquid remaining in each tank after lowering the tank contents to the greatest extent possible by use of the existing transfer equipment) began in late 2002. Seven of the 300,000-gallon tanks, the four 30,000-gallon inactive tanks, and associated ancillary equipment have been cleaned, and DOE plans to clean and complete closure of the remaining tanks, piping, valve boxes, encasements, and vaults by December 31, 2012.

The Final EIS, issued in October 2002, analyzed two sets of alternatives for accomplishing the proposed action: (1) Waste processing alternatives for treating, storing, and disposing of liquid SBW and NGLW stored in belowgrade tanks and solid HLW calcine stored in bin sets at the INTEC on the INL Site; and (2) facility disposition alternatives for final disposition of facilities directly related to the HLW Program after its missions are complete, including any new facilities necessary to implement the waste processing alternatives. This Amended ROD addresses only disposition of the TFF and not waste processing or other facilities addressed in the initial ROD.

On October 28, 2004, the NDAA was enacted. Among other provisions of the Act, Section 3116 provides that certain wastes from reprocessing SNF are not HLW if the Secretary, in consultation with the NRC, determines that the criteria in Section 3116(a) have been met.

In DOE's initial ROD, published December 19, 2005 (70 FR 75165), DOE decided, among other things, to pursue a phased decision-making process and stated its plan to issue an Amended ROD in 2006 specifically addressing closure of the TFF, in coordination with the Secretary's Determination under Section 3116. As explained in the initial ROD, the State of Idaho, as a cooperating agency on the Draft and Final EIS, stated that it would continue to coordinate with DOE and NRC, as appropriate, regarding Section 3116 activities.

DOE submitted a Draft Section 3116 Determination concerning the TFF to the NRC on September 7, 2005, and consulted with the NRC pursuant to Section 3116(a) of the NDAA. Although not required by Section 3116, DOE issued a Notice of Availability of the Draft Section 3116 Determination in the **Federal Register** on September 14, 2005 (70 FR 54374), for public review,