

2023, will be read aloud during the meeting. Comments will also be accepted after the meeting, by no later than 5 p.m. ET on Friday, January 13, 2023. Please submit comments to Eric Roberts at the aforementioned email address. Please put "Public Comment" in the subject line. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Eric Roberts at the telephone number listed above. Requests must be received as soon as possible prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments. The EM SSAB, Portsmouth, will hear public comments pertaining to its scope (clean-up standards and environmental restoration; waste management and disposition; stabilization and disposition of non-stockpile nuclear materials; excess facilities; future land use and long-term stewardship; risk assessment and management; and clean-up science and technology activities). Comments outside of the scope may be submitted via written statement as directed above.

**Minutes:** Minutes will be available by writing or calling Eric Roberts, Board Support Manager, Emerging Technology Center, Room 221, 4810 Alben Barkley Drive, Paducah, KY 42001; Phone: (270) 554-3004. Minutes will also be available at the following website: <https://www.energy.gov/pppo/portsab/listings/meeting-materials>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on December 2, 2022.

**LaTanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Establishment: High-Assay Low-Enriched Uranium (HALEU) Consortium

**AGENCY:** Office of Nuclear Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of establishment.

**SUMMARY:** Through this Notice, the Office of Nuclear Energy (NE), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or the Department), announces the establishment of the High-Assay, Low-Enriched Uranium (HALEU) consortium pursuant to the Energy Act of 2020. This

Notice outlines the Department's process for eligible entities to request membership in the consortium.

**DATES:** The HALEU consortium is established on December 7, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** All entities interested in becoming a consortium member must submit by email at [HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov](mailto:HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov) their request for membership. Submit electronic comments in Microsoft Word or PDF file format and avoid the use of special characters or any form of encryption. Please include "Membership in HALEU Consortium" in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be sent to: Mark Angil, Email: [HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov](mailto:HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov); Telephone: (301) 903-3962.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

Section 2001(a)(1) of the Energy Act of 2020 (42 U.S.C. 16281(a)(1)) directs the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) to "establish and carry out, through the Office of Nuclear Energy, a program to support the availability of HA-LEU for civilian domestic research, development, demonstration, and commercial use [the Program]." Section 2001(a)(2)(F) (42 U.S.C. 16281(a)(2)(F)) requires the Secretary to "establish, and from time to time update, a consortium, which may include entities involved in any stage of the nuclear fuel cycle, to partner with the Department to support the availability of HA-LEU for civilian domestic demonstration and commercial use." NE has created an associated website for this consortium: <https://www.energy.gov/ne/us-department-energy-haleu-consortium>.

The consortium will provide a forum through which the Department can work with individual members to support the availability of HALEU for civilian domestic demonstration and commercial use. The Department may use the consortium to collect data from individual members, exchange views with individual members on how best to ensure the availability of HALEU in the short term and long term, and develop arrangements to provide HALEU to individual members for demonstration projects and commercial uses. In this regard, the Department intends to undertake biennial surveys to estimate the quantity of HALEU necessary for domestic commercial use for each of the 5 years subsequent to a survey. In addition, the Department may work with individual members of the consortium to develop a schedule for cost recovery of HALEU made available

to individual members of the consortium for commercial use.

The Department expects the members of the HALEU consortium to play a pivotal role in the deployment and commercialization of advanced nuclear reactors and related infrastructure. They will also help secure a critical domestic supply of HALEU to support meeting the Administration's climate, economic, and energy security goals.

#### II. Process for Applying for Membership

The HALEU consortium may include entities involved in any stage of the nuclear fuel cycle. DOE interprets this to mean that any entity that contributes to the production, distribution, or utilization of HALEU is eligible to join the consortium. Any such U.S. entities that are interested in partnering with DOE to support the availability of HALEU for civilian domestic demonstration and commercial use are encouraged to apply for membership in the consortium. At its discretion, DOE may also accept requests for membership in the consortium from entities whose facilities are located in ally or partner nations. Entities interested in becoming a member of the consortium are invited to file a request for membership by email at the following address: [HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov](mailto:HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov). This request should explain the entity's involvement in the nuclear fuel cycle and the entity's interest in partnering with DOE. It should also provide contact information for the entity's representative(s), including name, affiliation, email, and phone number.

NE will coordinate HALEU consortium membership and consortium activities consistent with its purposes and objectives. Upon receipt of a request and confirmation that the requestor is an entity engaged in the nuclear fuel cycle and eligible for membership, NE will notify the entity that it is a member of the consortium and list the entity as a member of the consortium on the NE website.

If a member of the consortium wishes to resign its membership, the member should notify NE by email at [HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov](mailto:HALEUConsortium@nuclear.energy.gov). Resignation from the consortium shall become effective immediately upon receipt by NE of notice of the entity's wish to resign.

#### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on November 29, 2022, by Dr. Kathryn Huff, Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, pursuant to delegated

authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE **Federal Register Liaison Officer** has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on December 2, 2022.

**Treena V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-10480-01-OA]

### Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) Meeting

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notification of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), EPA hereby provides notice of a meeting for the Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) and the Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS) on the date and time described below. This meeting will be open to the public. For information on public attendance and participation, please see the registration information under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. Due to holiday schedules, EPA is announcing this meeting with less than 15 calendar days' of notice.

**DATES:** The LGAC will meet virtually December 16th, 2022, from 12 p.m. through 2 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paige Lieberman, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at [LGAC@epa.gov](mailto:LGAC@epa.gov) or 202-564-9957. Information on Accessibility: For information on access or services for individuals requiring accessibility accommodations, please contact Paige Lieberman by email at [LGAC@epa.gov](mailto:LGAC@epa.gov). To request accommodation, please do so five (5) business days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The LGAC has been deliberating on the following

issues and will discuss and vote on recommendations at this meeting.

### TOPIC 1: Green Gas Reduction Fund

Read background on the program here: <https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/greenhouse-gas-reduction-fund>.

### TOPIC 2: Lead and Copper Rule Improvements

Read background on the proposed rule here: <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/lead-and-copper-rule-improvements>.

All interested persons are invited to attend and participate. The LGAC will hear comments from the public from approximately 1:40–1:50 p.m. (EST). Individuals or organizations wishing to address the Committee or Subcommittee will be allowed a maximum of five (5) minutes to present their point of view. Also, written comments should be submitted electronically to [LGAC@epa.gov](mailto:LGAC@epa.gov) for the LGAC and SCAS. Please contact the DFO at the email listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** to schedule a time on the agenda by December 14, 2021. Time will be allotted on a first-come first-served basis, and the total period for comments may be extended if the number of requests for appearances requires it.

### Registration

The meeting will be held virtually through an online audio and video platform. Members of the public who wish to participate should register by contacting the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at [LGAC@epa.gov](mailto:LGAC@epa.gov) by December 14, 2022. The agenda and other supportive meeting materials will be available online at <https://www.epa.gov/ocir/local-government-advisory-committee-lgac> and will be emailed to all registered. In the event of cancellation for unforeseen circumstances, please contact the DFO or check the website above for reschedule information.

Dated: December 1, 2022.

**Paige Lieberman,**

*Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

### Notice of Agreements Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of filing of the following agreements under the Shipping Act of 1984. Interested parties may submit comments, relevant information, or

documents regarding the agreements to the Secretary by email at [Secretary@fmc.gov](mailto:Secretary@fmc.gov), or by mail, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, Washington, DC 20573. Comments will be most helpful to the Commission if received within 12 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**, and the Commission requests that comments be submitted within 7 days on agreements that request expedited review. Copies of agreements are available through the Commission's website ([www.fmc.gov](http://www.fmc.gov)) or by contacting the Office of Agreements at (202)–523–5793 or [tradeanalysis@fmc.gov](mailto:tradeanalysis@fmc.gov).

**Agreement No.:** 201397.

**Agreement Name:** Hyundai Glovis/Bahri Space Charter Agreement.

**Parties:** Hyundai Glovis Co., Ltd.; The National Shipping Company of Saudi Arabia d/b/a Bahri AS.

**Filing Party:** Wayne Rohde, Cozen O'Connor.

**Synopsis:** The Agreement authorizes the parties to charter space to/from one another in all trades in the foreign commerce of the United States.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 1/15/2023.

**Location:** <https://www2.fmc.gov/FMC/Agreements.Web/Public/AgreementHistory/72505>.

Dated: December 2, 2022.

**William Cody,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-3435-PN]

### Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Application From the Center for Improvement in Healthcare Quality for Initial CMS Approval of Its Critical Access Hospital Accreditation Program

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice with request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** This proposed notice acknowledges the receipt of an application from the Center for Improvement in Healthcare Quality (CIHQ) for initial recognition as a national accrediting organization for critical access hospitals (CAHs) that wish to participate in the Medicare or Medicaid programs.

**DATES:** To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of