

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that on December 26, 2000, an arbitration panel rendered a decision in the matter of *California Department of Rehabilitation v. General Services Administration* (Docket No. R-S/99-1). This panel was convened by the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 107d-1(b) upon receipt of a complaint filed by petitioner, the California Department of Rehabilitation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: A copy of the full text of the arbitration panel decision may be obtained from George F.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 6(c) of the Randolph-Sheppard Act (the Act), 20 U.S.C. 107d-2(c), the Secretary publishes in the **Federal Register** a synopsis of each arbitration panel decision affecting the administration of vending facilities on Federal and other property.

Background

This dispute concerns the alleged improper termination by the General Services Administration (GSA) of a vending permit held by the California Department of Rehabilitation, the State licensing agency (SLA), at the Roybal Building in Los Angeles, California, pursuant to the provisions of the Act (20 U.S.C. 107 *et seq.*) and the

implementing regulations in 34 CFR part 395.

A summary of the facts is as follows: On August 3, 1993, the SLA and GSA entered into a permit agreement to establish a vending facility, including vending machines, at the Roybal Building, 255 East Temple Street, Los Angeles, California. The SLA assigned a permanent vendor to this location with the participation and approval of GSA.

Initially the services provided at the Roybal building consisted primarily of vending machines, but in 1996 GSA remodeled its lobby area to construct a larger facility that provided customers with coffee and various other food items. After completing the remodeling of the vending facility, GSA cancelled the 1993 permit and issued a new permit to the SLA to operate the remodeled facility in the lobby. It was the position of GSA that the newer remodeled facility constituted a new facility that warranted the SLA to conduct a selection process for a vendor to manage the remodeled facility.

Conversely, the SLA took the position that GSA had no right to cancel the 1993 vending permit and that the remodeled facility was not a new facility within the meaning of State rules and regulations that would provide for a new vendor selection process.

The SLA alleged that the real issue focused on GSA's complaint that the vendor, who had been providing service prior to the remodeling of the vending facility, was considered by GSA to be unqualified and unacceptable to manage the remodeled vending facility. The SLA further alleged that GSA demanded that the SLA initiate a selection process for a new vendor to manage the remodeled vending facility only after the facility had been remodeled.

Following the cancellation of the 1993 permit and the SLA's refusal to place another vendor at the facility, GSA awarded a contract to a private concessionaire to operate the Roybal vending facility.

Arbitration Panel Decision

The panel, after considering all of the evidence, ruled that GSA violated the Act and implementing regulations. GSA had no authority to unilaterally cancel the vending permit agreement signed in 1993 between itself and the SLA, since there was no evidence of noncompliance by the SLA with its terms. GSA's issuance of a new permit in 1996 was simply an updated version of the original permit agreement between GSA and the SLA in 1993.

The panel further stated that the new 1996 permit, which essentially upgraded the 1993 permit, obligated

GSA to provide a vending facility at the Roybal Building to the SLA so that it could place a qualified blind vendor pursuant to the Act. Additionally, the SLA's original blind vendor had the right to continue to operate the relocated vending facility.

The violations of the Act and the regulations by GSA caused both the SLA and the blind vendor to suffer damages. The damages to the SLA include loss of revenue generated from the blind vendor, which amounts to 6 percent of the net proceeds of the blind vendor. The SLA is also entitled to a fair market rental for its equipment during the time it was being used by GSA.

Finally, the panel instructed GSA that it had 30 days from the date of the panel's decision to provide the SLA with evidence of the blind vendor's lack of qualifications to operate the Roybal Building vending facility; otherwise, GSA would be liable for damages to the blind vendor. The panel ruled that the damages would be the difference between what he had been able to earn and what the private concessionaire earned during the transition period when the SLA was not managing the Roybal Building vending facility, plus interest.

The views and opinions expressed by the panel do not necessarily represent the views and opinions of the U.S. Department of Education.

Dated: July 16, 2001.

Francis V. Corrigan,

Deputy Director, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Oak Ridge. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Friday, August 3, 2001—3:30 p.m.—9 p.m.

Saturday, August 4, 2001—8 a.m.—4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Rothchild's, 8807 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Halsey, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-922, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 576-4025; Fax (865) 576-5333 or e-mail: halseypj@oro.doe.gov.

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, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

1. Annual Retreat To Plan the FY 2002 Workplan

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 Pat Halsey at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days 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. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments at the end of the meeting.

Minutes

Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Department of Energy's Information Resource Center at 105 Broadway, Oak Ridge, TN between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by writing to Pat Halsey, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-922, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, or by calling her at (865) 576-4025.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATE: Thursday, August 2, 2001—6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Broomfield City Hall, One DesCombes Drive, Broomfield, CO.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO, 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855; fax (303) 420-7579.

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, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

1. Quarterly update by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
2. Final recommendation on Environmental Restoration Rocky Flats Cleanup Agreement (RFCA) Standard Operating Protocol (RSOP) document for the Board's review and approval
3. Second part of Board recommendation development and ongoing educational discussion regarding the Radionuclide Soil Action Level Review
4. Other Board business may be conducted as necessary

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provisions 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. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes

The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room located at

the Office of the Rocky Flats Citizens Advisory Board, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855. Hours of operations for the Public Reading Room are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday–Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Deb Thompson at the address or telephone number listed above.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-2074-000]

**Calhoun Power Company I, LLC;
Notice of Issuance of Order**

July 13, 2001.

Calhoun Power Company I, LLC (Calhoun) filed with the Commission, in the above-docketed proceeding, a proposed tariff under which Calhoun will engage in the sale of wholesale electric capacity, energy, and certain ancillary services at market-based rates, and a long-term service agreement with Alabama Power Company. Calhoun's filing also requested certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Calhoun requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Calhoun. On July 12, 2001, the Commission issued an order that accepted the tariff for sales of capacity and energy at market-based rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's July 12, 2001 Order granted Calhoun's request for blanket approval under part 34, subject to the conditions found in Appendix A in Ordering Paragraphs (2), (3), and (5):

(2) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Calhoun should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(3) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Paragraph