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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army. The inventions collectively enable a Tactical Biological Detector (TAC-BIO), and are made available for licensing by the Department of the Army. United States Patent Number 6,967,338 entitled "Micro UV Particle Detector", United States Patent Number 7,375,348 entitled "Micro UV Detector", Army Case Numbers; DAM 656-06 entitled "Improved, Front-End Optics to the Micro UV Detector", DAM 668-07 entitled "Man Portable, Biological Aerosol Detector with High Level of Discrimination", and DAM 689-08 entitled "Photon Counting Based Particle Detection Algorithm."

ADDRESSES: Requests for data and inventor interviews should be directed to Eric McGill, *telephone:* 410-436-8467, *eric.s.mcgill@us.army.mil*, U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center (ECBC), AMSRD-ECB-PI-BP-TT, Bldg E3330/Rm 241 5183 Blackhawk Road, APG, MD 21010-5424. Requests should be made prior to February 20, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dhirajlal Parekh, Office of Research and Technology Applications, U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center, AMSRD-ECB-PI-BP-TT, Bldg E3330/Rm 241 5183 Blackhawk Road, APG, MD 21010-5424, *telephone:* 410-436-8400, e-mail: dhirajlal.parekh@us.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Army intends to move expeditiously to commercialize these patents by

licensing to a cooperative research and development partner. Licensing application packages are available from ECBC and all applications and commercialization plans should be returned to ECBC by March 20, 2009. The Army intends to ensure that its licensed inventions are broadly commercialized throughout the United States.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR part 404.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

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

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. This notice announces the meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

DATES AND TIMES:

February 25, 2009 at 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

February 26, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Homewood Suites—Riverwalk—Alamo Room, 432 W. Market, San Antonio, TX 78205.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Valri Lightner, Designated Federal Officer for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-0937 or Carolyn Clark at (202) 586-8077; E-mail: cclark@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Update on USDA Biofuels Activities
- Update on DOE Biofuels Activities
- Presentation from the European Bioethanol Fuel Association on the

European Perspective of the Biofuels Industry

- Subcommittee Report-Outs
- Presentation on Cellulosic Ethanol Commercialization from Range Fuels
- Presentation on Enzymatic Breakthroughs from Genencor

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Valri Lightner at 202-586-0937; E-mail: valri.lightner@ee.doe.gov or Carolyn Clark at (202) 586-8077; E-mail: cclark@bcs-hq.com. You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. 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. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at <http://www.brdissolutions.com/publications/default.aspx#meetings>.

Issued at Washington, DC on February 3, 2009.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

State Energy Advisory Board

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

ACTION: Notice of open teleconference.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a teleconference of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these teleconferences be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: February 18, 2009 at 1-2 p.m. EDT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Burch, STEAB Designated Federal Officer, Division Director, Office of

Commercialization & Project Management, Golden Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401, Telephone 303-275-4801.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives of programs carried out in this sector, to make programmatic and administrative policy recommendations as appropriate, to encourage transfer of results of the EE and RE activities carried out by DOE to non-DOE users, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

Tentative Agenda: Update members on routine business matters.

Public Participation: The teleconference is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gary Burch at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the conference call; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the call in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues.

Notes: The notes of the teleconference will be available for public review and copying within 60 days on the STEAB Web site, <http://www.steab.org>.

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC09-576-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-576); Comment Request; Extension

January 29, 2009.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Comments in consideration of the collection of information are due April 9, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be filed either electronically or in paper format, and should refer to Docket No. IC09-576-000. Documents must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission submission guidelines at <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>.

Comments may be filed electronically via the eFiling link on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>. First time users will have to establish a user name and password (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eregistration.asp>) before eFiling. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments through eFiling.

Commenters filing electronically should not make a paper filing. Commenters that are not able to file electronically must send an original and 14 copies of their comments to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket may do so through eSubscription (at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp>). In addition, all comments and FERC issuances may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely through FERC's Web site using the "eLibrary" link and searching on Docket Number IC09-576. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support (e-mail at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or call toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 502-8415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (Pub. L. 75-688) (15 U.S.C. 717-717w), a natural gas company must obtain Commission authorization to engage in the transportation, sale or exchange of

natural gas in interstate commerce. The Commission is also empowered to oversee continuity of service in the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce. The information collected under FERC-576 (Report of Service Interruptions; OMB Clearance No. 1902-0004) notifies the Commission of: (1) Damage to jurisdictional natural gas facilities as a result of a hurricane, earthquake, or other natural disaster, or terrorist activity, (2) serious interruptions to service, and (3) damage to jurisdictional natural gas facilities due to natural disaster or terrorist activity, that creates the potential for serious delivery problems on the pipeline's own system or the pipeline grid.

Filings in accordance with the provisions of section 4(d) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717c) are to contain information necessary to advise the Commission when a change in service has occurred. Under section 7(d) of the NGA (15 U.S.C. 717f), the Commission may issue a temporary certificate in cases of emergency to assure maintenance of adequate service or to serve particular customers, without notice or hearing.

The FERC-576 initial reports are submitted by e-mail to pipelineoutage@ferc.gov or by facsimile transmission. 18 CFR 260.9(b) requires that a report of service interruption or damage to natural gas facilities state: (1) The location of the service interruption or damage to natural gas pipeline or storage facilities; (2) The nature of any damage to pipeline or storage facilities; (3) Specific identification of the facilities damaged; (4) The time the service interruption or damage to the facilities occurred; (5) The customers affected by the service interruption or damage to the facilities; (6) Emergency actions taken to maintain service; and (7) Company contact and telephone number. (In response to these reports, the Commission may contact other pipelines to determine available supply, and if necessary, authorize transportation or construction of facilities to alleviate the problem.) The company also reports to the Commission when pipeline throughput or storage deliverability has been restored.

Failure by the Commission to collect this information would mean that it is unable to monitor and evaluate transactions, operations, and reliability of interstate pipelines and perform its regulatory functions.

In coordination with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), FERC has reviewed the reporting requirements. FERC and DOT have