

V. Application Review Information

1. *Selection Criteria:* The selection criteria for this program are from 34 CFR part 75.210 and are listed in the application package.

2. *Review and Selection Process:* We remind potential applicants that in reviewing applications in any grant competition, the Secretary may consider, under 34 CFR 75.217(d)(3), the past performance of the applicant in carrying out a previous award, such as the applicant's use of funds, achievement of project objectives, and compliance with grant conditions. The Secretary may also consider whether the applicant failed to submit a timely performance report or submitted a report of unacceptable quality.

In addition, in making a competitive grant award, the Secretary also requires various assurances including those applicable to Federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance from the Department of Education (34 CFR 100.4, 104.5, 106.4, 108.8, and 110.23).

3. *Special Conditions:* Under 2 CFR 3474.10, the Secretary may impose special conditions and, in appropriate circumstances, high-risk conditions on a grant if the applicant or grantee is not financially stable; has a history of unsatisfactory performance; has a financial or other management system that does not meet the standards in 2 CFR part 200, subpart D; has not fulfilled the conditions of a prior grant; or is otherwise not responsible.

VI. Award Administration Information

1. *Award Notices:* If your consortium application is successful, we notify your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN); or we may send you an email containing a link to access an electronic version of your GAN. We may also notify you informally.

If an application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we notify you.

2. *Administrative and National Policy Requirements:* We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

3. *Reporting:* Grant recipients under this program must submit the annual

and final performance and financial reports specified in the notice of final requirements for this grant program published in the **Federal Register** on March 3, 2004 (69 FR 10110).

4. *Performance Measures:* Consortium grantees are required to report on their project's effectiveness based on the project objectives, performance measures, and scheduled activities outlined in the consortium's application.

In addition, all grantees are required, under 34 CFR 80.40(b), to report on the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) indicators as part of their Consolidated State Performance Report. The GPRA indicators established by the Department for the MEP, of which the Consortium Incentive Grants are a component, are:

a. The percentage of MEP students that scored at or above proficient on their State's annual Reading/Language Arts assessments in grades 3–8.

b. The percentage of MEP students that scored at or above proficient on their State's annual Mathematics assessments in grades 3–8.

c. The percentage of MEP students who were enrolled in grades 7–12, and graduated or were promoted to the next grade level.

d. The percentage of MEP students who entered 11th grade that had received full credit for Algebra I.

VII. Agency Contacts

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rachel Crawford, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Room 3E319, LBJ, Washington, DC 20202–6135. Telephone: (202)260–2590, or by email: Rachel.Crawford@ed.gov.

If you use a TDD or a TTY, call the FRS, toll free, at 1–800–877–8339.

VIII. Other Information

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotope, or compact disc) on request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in section VII of this notice.

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have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at the site.

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Deborah Delisle,

Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Energy Technology Laboratory; Notice of Intent To Grant Partially Exclusive License

AGENCY: National Energy Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of intent to grant partially exclusive license.

SUMMARY: This notice is issued in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i). The National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) hereby gives notice of its intent to grant a partially exclusive license to practice the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent Number 8,111,059, titled “Electric Current Locator” to KW Associates, LLC., a small business having its principal place of business in Albany, Oregon. The patent is owned by United States of America, as represented by the Department of Energy. The prospective partially exclusive license complies with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

DATES: Written comments, objections, or nonexclusive license applications must be received at the address listed below no later than February 20, 2015.

Objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available to the public for inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

ADDRESSES: Comments, applications for nonexclusive licenses, or objections relating to the prospective exclusive license should be submitted to Jessica Sosenko, Technology Transfer Program Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, P.O. Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236–0940, or via facsimile to (412) 386–5920.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Sosenko, Technology Transfer Program Manager, U.S. Department of

Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, P.O. Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236; Telephone (412) 386-7417; Email: jessica.sosenko@netl.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 209(c) of title 35 of the United States Code gives the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) the authority to grant exclusive or partially exclusive licenses in Department-owned inventions where a determination can be made, among other things, that the desired practical application of the invention has not been achieved, or is not likely to be achieved expeditiously, under a nonexclusive license. The statute and implementing regulations (37 CFR 404) require that the necessary determinations be made after public notice and opportunity for filing written comments and objections.

KW Associations, LLC, a small business, has applied for a partially exclusive license to practice the invention and has a plan for commercialization of the invention. DOE intends to grant the license, upon a final determination in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c), unless within 15 days of publication of this notice, NETL's Technology Transfer Manager (contact information listed above), receives in writing any of the following, together with supporting documents:

- (i) A statement from any person setting forth reasons why it would not be in the best interest of the United States to grant the proposed license; or
- (ii) An application for a nonexclusive license to the invention, in which applicant states that it already has brought the invention to practical application or is likely to bring the invention to practical application expeditiously.

The proposed license will be partially exclusive, subject to a license and other rights retained by the United States, and subject to a negotiated royalty. The exclusive field of use is: Industrial processes exhibiting diffuse current paths, such as specialty steel and alloy processing, industrial microwave processing, solid state energy systems, and other high temperature industrial processes. DOE will review all timely written responses to this notice, and will grant the license if, after expiration of the 15-day notice period, and after consideration of any written responses to this notice, a determination is made in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c) that the license is in the public interest.

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Grace M. Bochenek,
Director, National Energy Technology Laboratory.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Quadrennial Technology Review Workshop

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary for Science and Energy, Quadrennial Technology Review Task Force, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) is conducting a comprehensive assessment of science and energy technology research, development, demonstration, and deployment (RD3) opportunities to address our nation's energy-linked economic, environmental, and security challenges. This comprehensive document—the 2015 edition of the DOE's Quadrennial Technology Review, or QTR-2015—is examining an “all of the above” range of energy technologies to inform the configuration of the Department's programs and priorities, industry and university engagement, and national lab activities, and will serve as a key input into the Department's forthcoming Science and Energy Plan.

DATES: A series of open meetings will be held between February 11 and March 4 to describe work in progress. Written comments should be submitted on or before March 9, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held via webinar and conference call. The schedule and the web links will be provided at <http://www.energy.gov/qtr> by February 10.

Comments may be submitted electronically to: DOE-QTR2015@hq.doe.gov or by U.S. mail to the Office of the Under Secretary of Science and Energy, S-4, QTR Meeting Comments, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Sam Baldwin, S-4, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the Under Secretary for Science and Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 586-0927. Email: DOE-QTR2015@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The nation faces serious energy-linked economic, environmental, and security challenges. Addressing these challenges requires an aggressive plan for our

science and energy enterprise while ensuring that America maintains its leadership in a broad range of science and technology activities. These activities include basic and applied research in the physical sciences, developing the next generation of computational technology and developing and maintaining world class scientific user facilities. The output of the QTR process will be coordinated with the Quadrennial Energy Review (QER). These planning products will build and extend existing strategic, program and budget planning activities within the Science and Energy offices and are expected to inform ongoing budget discussions.

The QTR 2015, focusing on DOE energy technology RDD&D activities, builds upon the first QTR in 2011, and complements the work of the QER, which focuses on government-wide energy policy. The 2011 QTR was developed in response to the Report to the President on “Accelerating the Pace of Change in Energy Technologies through an Integrated Federal Energy Policy” by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology. The first QTR defined a framework for understanding and discussing energy system challenges, established a set of priorities for the Department, and explained to stakeholders the roles of DOE and the national laboratories, the broader government, the private sector, academia, and innovation in energy transformation.

QTR 2015 will describe the nation's energy landscape and the dramatic changes that have taken place in the last four years. Specifically, it will begin by building on the first QTR and identifying what has changed in the technologies reviewed within it since 2011. It will then identify the RDD&D activities, opportunities, and pathways forward to help address our national energy challenges. QTR 2015 will approach the analysis from a strong systems perspective, it will explore the integration of science and energy technology RDD&D, it will examine cross-cutting technology RDD&D, and it will conduct an integrated analysis of RDD&D opportunities.

The Department of Energy has the largest role in the Federal Government in conducting energy RDD&D. Many other executive departments and agencies also play important roles in developing and implementing energy RDD&D. In addition, non-Federal actors are crucial contributors to energy RDD&D.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of these meetings is to provide input to