1996, entitled ''Ceramic Ferroelectric Composite Material—BSTO–ZRO_2; 5,312,790, issued 17 May 1994, entitled ''Ceramic Ferroelectric Material''; and 5,427,988, issued 27 Jun 1995, entitled ''Ceramic Ferroelectric Composite Material—BSTO–MGO''. Anyone wishing to object to the granting of these licenses has 60 days from the date of this notice to file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael D. Rausa, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Office of Research and Technology Applications, ATTN: AMSRL–CS–TT/Bldg. 459, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland 21005–5425, phone (410) 278–5028.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

[FR Doc. 96–30081 Filed 11–25–96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

Corps of Engineers

Dredged Material Management Plan for the Port of New York/New Jersey

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The action being taken is the evaluation of the dredged material management alternatives for the Port of New York/New Jersey. The purpose of the CEIS is to produce a series of alternatives and preferred plan(s) for the disposal of dredged material. The selection(s) will be based on extensive scientific data including information currently being collected.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert J. Kurtz, or for the Interim Report Mr. Jeffery Fry at (212) 264–1275, Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278–0090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed action is the promulgation of a draft CEIS that will evaluate the proposed course(s) of action to dispose of sediment removed from Federal channels within the Port of New York/New Jersey. The authority for this draft CEIS is under existing Operations and Maintenance authority of the New York Harbor Navigation Project in accordance with EC 1165–2–200 (National Harbor Program: Dredged Material Management Plans).

Alternatives including the no-action alternative, will be considered in addition to the following: containment disposal facilities (contiguous to land, and as islands in the ocean and the Atlantic Bight Apex); sub-aqueous borrow pits (both existing and new), upland disposal, beneficial uses (e.g. wetlands creation); and management options such as sediment decontamination, and sediment reduction.

The scoping process for the Dredged Material Management Plan for the Port of New York/New Jersey has been on-going and has included public involvement in the form of meetings, forums, and workshops to address the needs and concerns of the public. This process will continue through the current phase of planning and will also include close coordination for the draft CEIS. A public notice will be issued to inform all interested parties of any upcoming meetings.

Significant issues have been identified and include: contaminated sediment concerns and its adverse effects to the marine biota including fisheries, the food chain, endangered and threatened species, and marine mammals, as well as potential adverse effects on human health, such as the relationship of bioaccumulation and food supply, and loss of commercial and recreational fishing areas. Concern has also been expressed regarding the potential effects on tidal ranges, salinity currents, shoreline erosion, flooding, sediment transport, and other physical/chemical features of the system, as well as, groundwater, wetlands, aesthetic values and cultural resources. Further analysis will include adverse affects associated with a failure to act causing the Port of New York/New Jersey to be lost as a viable place to import and export cargo, and for contaminated sediments that accumulate in these areas.

The United States Army Corps of Engineers is the lead agency and has conducted a substantial number of studies performed in conjunction with previous EIS' on the management of dredged material for the Port of New York/New Jersey, and more are presently being conducted in concert with this draft CEIS. These studies include; sediment profile imagery, fishery data collection, hydrodynamic modeling, bathymetric, and side-scan sonar surveys, core sampling, cultural resources, and sediment contaminant investigations. Agencies including the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), and the U.S. Geological Service (USGS) are cooperating to provide data and input to the draft CEIS.

The Dredged Material Management Integrated Working Group (DMMIWG) which is composed of Federal, New York and New Jersey State agencies, the interested public, and environmental groups, have been reviewing the studies and alternatives during the formulation process and will continue to advise during the draft CEIS promulgation. Section 7 consultation will be conducted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NMFS. Further, both the New York and New Jersey Natural Heritage Program offices will be consulted. Additionally, environmental review of Cultural Resources will be conducted by the State Historic Preservation Offices of New York and New Jersey.

A more detailed identification and preliminary assessment of impacts is contained in the Interim Report of the DMMP. Copies of the report are available from the point of contact identified at the beginning of this notice.

The time(s), date(s), and location(s) of scoping sessions are to be determined. The draft CEIS is currently estimated to be available for public review during July 1998.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

[FR Doc. 96–30124 Filed 11–25–96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3710–06–M

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Financial Assistance Award (Grant)

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Solicitation of applications for grant awards for High-Energy-Density and Laser-Matter Interaction Studies.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 10 CFR Subpart 600.8, the U.S. DOE announces that it plans to conduct a technically competitive solicitation for basic research experiments in high-energy-density and laser-matter interaction studies at the National Laser Users' Facility (NLUF) located at the University of Rochester Laboratory for Laser Energetics (UR/LLE).

Grant Solicitation No. DE–PS03–97SF21293

Universities or other higher education institution, private not-for-profit organizations, or other entities are invited to submit grant applications. The total amount of funding expected to be available for the Fiscal Year 1998 (FY98) program cycle is $700,000. Multiple awards are anticipated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Solomon, Contracting Officer, DOE Oakland Operations Office, 1301 Clay Street, Room 700N, Oakland, CA 94612–5208. Telephone No.: (510) 637–

1865, Facsimile No.: (510) 637–2074, E Mail: james.solomon@oak.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The solicitation document contains all the information relative to this action for prospective applicants. The solicitation is targeted for release on or about January 7, 1997. The actual work to be accomplished will be determined by the experiments and diagnostic techniques that are selected for award. Proposed experiments and diagnostic techniques will be evaluated through scientific peer review against predetermined, published and available criteria. Final selection will be made by the DOE. It is anticipated that multiple grants will be awarded within the available funding. The unique resources of the NLUF are available, on a no-fee basis, to scientists for state-of-the-art experiments primarily in the area of inertial confinement fusion (ICF) and related plasma physics. Other areas such as spectroscopy of high ionized atoms, laboratory astrophysics, fundamental physics, materials science and biology and chemistry will be considered on a secondary basis.

The LLE was established in 1970 to investigate the interaction of high-power lasers with matter. Available at the LLE for NLUF researchers is the upgraded Omega Laser, a 30–40 kJ UV, 60 beam laser system (at 0.35um) suitable for direct-drive ICF implosions and other experimental configurations. This system is suitable for a variety of experiments including laser-plasma interactions and atomic spectroscopy.

The NLUF program for FY92 will support experiments that can be done with the Omega Laser at the University of Rochester and development of diagnostic techniques suitable for the Omega Laser system. Measurements of the laser coupling, laser-plasma interactions, core temperature, and core density are needed to determine the characteristics of target implosions. Diagnostic techniques could include either new instrumentation, development of analysis tools, or development targets that are applicable for 30–40 kJ implosions. Additional technical information about the available facilities and potential collaboration at the NLUF can be obtained from: Dr. John M. Soures, Manager, National Laser Users' Facility, University of Rochester/LLE, 250 East River Road, Rochester, NY 14623–1299.

Dated: November 19, 1996.

Joan Macrusky,

Chief, Financial Assistance Branch, Program Acquisition and Assistance Division.

[FR Doc. 96–30141 Filed 11–25–96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6450–01–P–M

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada Test Site; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Nevada Test Site.

DATE: Wednesday, December 4, 1996: 5:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

ADDRESS: Community College of Southern Nevada (Cheyenne Avenue Campus), High Desert Conference and Training Center, Room 1422, 3200 East Cheyenne Avenue, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030–4296. 702–651–4294.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Rohrer, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environmental Management, P.O. Box 98518, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193–8513, phone: 702–295–0197.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Advisory Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

December Agenda

5:30 pm—Call to Order
5:40 pm—Presentations
7:00 pm—Public Comment/Questions
7:30 pm—Break
7:45 pm—Review Action Items
8:00 pm—Approve Meeting Minutes
8:10 pm—Committee Reports
8:45 pm—Public Comment
9:00 pm—Adjourn

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 Kevin Rohrer, at the telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. This notice is being published less than 15 days in advance of the meeting due to programmatic issues that needed to be resolved.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday–Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Kevin Rohrer at the address listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC, on November 20, 1996.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

[FR Doc. 96–30142 Filed 11–25–96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

Certification of the Radiological Condition of the Alba Craft Site in Oxford, Ohio, 1995

AGENCY: Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of certification.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has completed remedial actions to decontaminate properties in Oxford, Ohio. Formerly, the properties were found to contain quantities of residual radioactive material resulting from activities conducted by contractors for DOE or its predecessors at the former Alba Craft Laboratory, Inc. Radiological surveys show that the properties now meet applicable requirements for use without radiological restrictions, and the docket related to cleanup activities is now available.

ADDRESSES: The docket is available from:

Public Reading Room, Room 1E–190, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.,Washington, D.C. 20585.

Public Document Room, Oak Ridge Operations Office, U.S. Department of Energy, 200 Administration Road, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831.

Lane Public Library, Oxford Branch, 15 S. College Avenue, Oxford, Ohio 45056.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William E. Murphie, Acting Director, Office of Eastern Area Programs, Office of Environmental Restoration (EM–42), U.S. Department of Energy, Germantown, Maryland 20874. (301) 903–2328 Fax: (301) 903–2385.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE, Office of Eastern Area Programs, Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) Team, has conducted remedial action at the Alba Craft site in Oxford, Ohio, as part of FUSRAP. The objective of the program is to identify and remediate or otherwise control sites where residual radioactive contamination remains from activities carried out under contract with the Department's statutory predecessors