Thompson at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

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### **Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah**

**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), Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

DATES: Thursday, March 20, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: West Kentucky Technical School (cafeteria), 5200 Blandville Road, Paducah, Kentucky.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carlos Alvarado, Site-Specific Advisory Board Coordinator, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS–103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, (502) 441–6804.

#### 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: Updates on the Federal Facility Agreement, the membership drive, a Financial Committee Report, a Background on the Process of Documents, the Proposed Budget, and the 10-Year Plan.

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 Carlos Alvarado at the address or 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. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments.

*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 at the Department of Energy's Environmental Information and Reading Room at 175 Freedom Boulevard, Highway 60, Kevil, Kentucky between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, or by writing to Carlos Alvarado, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, or by calling him at (502) 441–6804.

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### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River Site

**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), Savannah River Site.

DATES AND TIMES: Monday, March 24, 1997: 6:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m. (Joint Meeting of Issues-based Committee Chairs), 6:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m. (Public Comment Session), 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. (Subcommittee Meetings) Tuesday, March 25, 1997: 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Monday, March 24, 1997: Radisson Riverfront Hotel, 1 Tenth Street, Augusta, Georgia. Tuesday, March 25, 1997: Savannah River Site Administration Building 703–41A, Road 1, Aiken, South Carolina.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gerri Flemming, Public Accountability Specialist, Environmental Restoration and Solid Waste Division, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, S.C. 29802 (803) 725–5374.

# 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

Monday, March 24, 1997

6:00 p.m. Joint meeting of issues-based subcommittee chairs

6:30 p.m. Public comment session (5-minute rule)

7:00 p.m. Subcommittee meetings 9:00 p.m. Adjourn

Tuesday, March 25, 1997

8:30 a.m.

Approval of minutes, agency updates (~ 15 minutes)

Public comment session (5-minute rule) (~ 30 minutes)

Election of officers (~ 15 minutes) Risk management & future use

subcommittee report (~ 30 minutes) Environmental restoration and waste management subcomittee report (~

1 hour)

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m.

Nuclear materials management subcommittee report (~ 30 minutes) Administrative subcommittee report

(~ 30 minutes) Removal considerations and

membership elections Recommendation review (~ 1 hour)

Update/review of board home page (~ 15 minutes)

Spent fuel forum update (~ 10 minutes)

Outreach subcommittee report (~ 10 minutes)

National Dialogue/SSAB Chair Meeting discussion (~ 10 minutes) 4:00 p.m.

Adjourn

If necessary, time will be allotted after public comments for items added to the agenda, and administrative details. A final agenda will be available at the meeting Monday, March 24, 1997.

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 Gerri Flemming's office at the address or 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. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments.

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 Gerri Flemming, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, S.C. 29802, or by calling her at (803) 725–5374.

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#### Office of Energy Research

Energy Research Financial Assistance Program Notice 97–11: Human Genome Program—Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice inviting grant applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Health and Environmental Research (OHER) of the Office of Energy Research (ER), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), hereby announces its interest in receiving applications in support of the Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications (ELSI) subprogram of the Human Genome Program (HGP). The HGP is a coordinated, multi disciplinary, directed research effort aimed at obtaining a detailed understanding of the human genome at the molecular level. This particular research notice invites research grants that address ethical, legal, and social implications from the use of information and knowledge resulting from the HGP. **DATES:** Preapplications referencing Program Notice 97-11 should be received by April 17, 1997. Formal applications submitted in response to this notice must be received by 4:30 p.m., E.D.T., July 10, 1997, to permit timely consideration for awards in Fiscal Year 1998.

ADDRESSES: Preapplications referencing Program Notice 97–11 should be sent to Dr. Daniel W. Drell, Health Effects and Life Sciences Research Division, ER–72, Office of Health and Environmental Research, Office of Energy Research, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874–1290. Formal applications referencing Program Notice 97–11 should be forwarded to: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Research, Grants and Contracts

Division, ER-64, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD, 20874–1290. ATTN: Program Notice 97–11. This address also must be used when submitting applications by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail or any commercial mail delivery service, or when hand carried by the applicant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Daniel W. Drell, Health Effects and Life Sciences Research Division, ER-72, Office of Health and Environmental Research, Office of Energy Research, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874–1290, phone: (301) 903–6488 or E-mail: daniel.drell@oer.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOE encourages the submission of applications that will address, analyze, or anticipate ELSI issues arising from advances in the scientific understanding of genetically influenced susceptibilities/sensitivities, complex or multi-genic characteristics and conditions, and human polymorphisms. This may include research on privacy and confidentiality issues (as well as ownership and commercialization issues) arising from the creation, use, maintenance, and disclosure of genetic information relevant to such complex or multi-genic conditions. This may also include research on the privacy implications of the development of HGP materials, resources, databases and technologies, as well as the privacy implications of the use of genetic information obtained in the workplace. Issues to be examined may also include (but are not limited to) implications of advances in the genetic characterization of complex traits and susceptibility/ sensitivity genes and the impacts of advances in knowledge about polygenic conditions for individuals and communities potentially faced with these impacts (e.g. courts, schools, etc).

Applications should demonstrate knowledge of the relevant literature, and should include detailed plans for the gathering and analysis of factual information and the associated ethical, legal, and social implications. All applications should include, where appropriate, detailed discussion of human subjects protection issues; e.g., storage of, manipulation of, and access to data. Provisions to ensure the inclusion of women, minorities, and potentially disabled individuals must be described, unless specific exclusions are scientifically necessary and justified in detail. All proposed research applications should address the issue of efficient dissemination of results to the widest appropriate audience. All applications should include letters of

agreement to collaborate from potential collaborators; these letters should specify the contributions the collaborators intend to make if the application is accepted and funded.

The DOE also solicits applications for the preparation and dissemination of educational materials in any appropriate medium that will enhance understanding of the ethical, legal, and social aspects of the HGP among the public or specified groups; a particular interest of this notice is Institutional Review Boards (IRBs) and genome investigators who work with patients. This may include (but is not limited to) implications of disease predispositions, susceptibility genes, increased knowledge of polygenic conditions, informed consent issues or Human Genome Project materals- and resourcesdevelopment and dissemination projects (e.g. the creation of a human DNA library, etc.). If an educational effort for a specific group is proposed, the value to the Human Genome Program of that group or community should be explained in detail. In addition, the DOE encourages applications for the support of novel and innovative conferences focusing on the concerns addressed in this notice (e.g. susceptibility/sensitivity genes, polymorphisms, and education of IRBs and investigators).

Educational and conference applications should demonstrate awareness of the relevant literature, and include detailed plans for the accomplishment of project goals. In applications that propose the production of series for broadcast, audio-visuals or other educational materials, the DOE requests that samples of previous similar work by the producers and writers be submitted along with the application. In applications for the support of educational activities, the DOE requests inclusion of a plan for assessment of the effectiveness of the proposed activities. For conference applications, a detailed and largely complete roster of speakers is necessary. At the completion of the conference, a summary or report is required. Educational and conference applications must also demonstrate awareness of the need to reach the widest appropriate audience, and not be focused exclusively on a local community or group.

Possible outcomes of these research and/or educational efforts may include (but are not limited to): model guidelines for research practices for studies of polygenic conditions and susceptibility genes; consensus documents on implications or significance of the genetic bases for