The EA also will be available for public review at the Watertown Free Library, 123 Main Street, Watertown, Massachusetts 02172–4401; call (617) 972–6430 for hours of operation.

Dated: October 19, 1998.

Raymond J. Fatz,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health) OASA (I,L&E).

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202–4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Pat_Sherrill@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202–708–9346.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708–8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief

Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: October 19, 1998.

Kent H. Hannaman,

Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer.

Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs

Type of Review: Reinstatement. Title: Application for Grants Under Emergency Immigrant Education Program.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden: Responses: 57

Burden Hours: 9,177.

Abstract: This application is used by State educational agencies to apply for formula grants authorized under the Emergency Immigrant Education Act (Title VI of P.L. 98–511 as amended by P.L. 103–382).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed information collection that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). This information collection would collect information from individual homeowners, solar energy system installers and other solar energy industry representatives concerning the details of newly installed solar energy systems (e.g., system size and technology).

DATES: Consideration will be given to comments submitted by December 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted to: Department of Energy, Attn: Kimberley Kendall, Office of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (EE–1), 6C–016/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20585. (202) 586–0927, E-mail: kim.kendall@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Collection Title: U.S. Department of Energy/Million Solar Roofs Initiative Registry.

Type of Review: New collection. OMB Number: None.

Type of Respondents: Individuals, solar energy system installers, and other solar energy industry representatives.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 500. Frequency of Response: One time only.

Abstract: DOE plans to publicize widely the existence of the registry through its Regional Support Offices, the Million Solar Roofs website, DOE's bi-weekly electronic Million Solar Roofs newsletter, meetings, conferences and the like, and through its relationship with renewable energy organizations. Due to the high level of interest in MSR in the solar energy community, DOE expects that many solar energy system installers, individuals, utilities, governments, and solar energy manufacturers will wish to "register" their solar energy systems. Registration would take place electronically (a paper form would also available upon request) by responding to a series of very brief questions. If a system met the established criteria, a Million Solar Roofs certificate would automatically be generated and mailed to the respondent. Registration would take place one time only. DOE plans to aggregate the data and generate reports detailing the

geographic distribution of systems and, among other things, the sizes and types of systems. This data collection will assist DOE in its management of and planning for the continued success of the Million Solar Roofs Initiative.

Request for Comments: Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), DOE invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary to measure the progress and success of the Million Solar Roofs Initiative; and (2) the accuracy of DOE's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and 4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who choose to respond. Additional information about DOE's proposed information collection may be obtained from the contact person named in this notice.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on October, 19, 1998.

Brian T. Castelli,

Chief of Staff, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Idaho Operations Office; Notice of Availability of Solicitation for Awards of Financial Assistance

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13730—Nuclear Engineering Education Research (NEER) Program.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, is soliciting applications for awards of financial assistance (i.e., grants) for state-of-the-art research that contributes to any of the following eight areas: reactor physics; reactor engineering; nuclear materials; radiological engineering; radioactive waste management; applied radiation science; nuclear safety and risk analysis; and innovative technologies for next generation reactors, space power and propulsion, or radiation sources. The issuance date of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13730 was October 16, 1998. The solicitation is available in its full text via the Internet at the following URL address: http://www.id.doe.gov /doeid/pds /proc-div.html. The deadline for receipt of applications is 45 days after the issuance date of the solicitation or by November 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to: Dallas L. Hoffer, Procurement Services Division, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, Mail Stop 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dallas Hoffer, Contract Specialist at hofferdl@id.doe.gov, Janet Surrusco, Purchasing Agent at surrusjk@id.doe.gov, or Linda Hallum, Contracting Officer at hallumla@id.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The solicitation was issued pursuant to 10 CFR 600.6(b). Eligibility for awards under this Nuclear Engineering Education Research (NEER) Program will be restricted to U.S. colleges and universities with nuclear engineering degree programs or options. The purpose of the NEER program is to (1) support basic research in nuclear engineering; (2) assist in developing nuclear engineering; and (3) contribute to strengthening the academic community's nuclear engineering infrastructure. The statutory authority for this program is Public law 95-91.

Issued in Idaho Falls on October 14, 1998. Michael L. Adams,

Acting Director, Procurement Services Division

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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, November 18, 1998: 5:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Paducah Information Age Park Resource Center, 2000 McCracken Boulevard, Paducah, Kentucky.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John D. Sheppard, 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

Call to Order 5:30 p.m. **Approve Meeting Minutes** 5:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Public Comment/Questions 6:30 p.m. Presentations 7:30 p.m. Break

Presentations

7:45 p.m. 9:00 p.m. **Public Comment** 9:30 p.m. Administrative Issues 10:00 p.m. Adjourn

Copies of the final agenda will be

available at the meeting.

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 John D. Sheppard 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 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 5 minutes to present their comments as the first item on the meeting agenda.

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 John D. Sheppard, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, or by calling him at (502) 441-6804.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 19, 1998.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy; National Coal Council; Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.