the survey asks questions about eight character development outcomes (i.e. integrity, selfless service, excellence, human dignity, decisiveness, taking responsibility, self-discipline, and spirituality). The information solicited will be collected via U.S. mail, using scan sheets to record responses. It will be used as part of outcomes validation research, and program evaluation and management.

Barbara A. Carmichael,

Alternate Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education. **ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. 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, DC 20202–4651.

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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this 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.

Dated: February 23, 1998.

Gloria Parker,

Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Educational Research and Improvement

Type of Review: New *Title:* The Blue Ribbon Schools

Program

Frequency: One-time

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs

Reporting Burden and Recordkeeping: Responses: 515 Burden Hours: 25,750

Abstract: The Blue Ribbon Schools award is a national school improvement strategy with a threefold purpose: (1) to identify and give public recognition to outstanding public and private schools across the nation; (2) to make available a comprehensive framework of key criteria for school effectiveness that can serve as a basis for participatory selfassessment and planning in schools; (3) to facilitate communication and sharing of best practices within and among schools based on a common understanding of criteria related to success. The information collected will be used to determine by peer review which schools receive the award and information on their exemplary practices and policies will be made available to other schools.

Office of the Under Secretary

Type of Review: New *Title:* Institutional Survey of the Operation of the Federal Work-Study Program *Frequency:* One time *Affected Public:* Business or other forprofit; Not-for-profit institutions

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 850 Burden Hours: 1,700

Abstract: This study will describe the operation of the Federal Work-Study program at postsecondary education institutions nationwide. This survey will provide, for the first time, nationally-representative data on the workings of this program. Results will be used by Congress during the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act and for other oversight responsibilities.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Outreach; Electric and Magnetic Field Effects Research and Public Information Dissemination Program; Solicitation for Non-Federal Financial Contributions for Fiscal Year 1998

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy solicits financial contributions from non-Federal sources to at least match \$3,446,500 in Federal funding, in support of the national, comprehensive **Electric and Magnetic Field Effects Research and Public Information** Dissemination Program, described in the Notice of Intent to Solicit Non-Federal Contributions, published November 9, 1993 (58 FR 59461). Section 2118 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13475) requires the Department of Energy to solicit funds from non-Federal sources to offset at least 50 percent of the total funding for all activities under this program. Section 2118 also precludes the Department of Energy from obligating funds for program activities in any fiscal year unless funds received from non-Federal sources are available in an amount at least equal to 50 percent of the amount appropriated by Congress. Appropriations for expenditure under section 2118 have been enacted under the Energy and Water Development Appropriation Act, 1998 (Pub. L. 105–271) in the amount of \$3,446,500 for fiscal year 1998. Fiscal year 1998 is the final year of the Electric and Magnetic Field Effects Research and Public Information Dissemination Program.

DATES: Non-Federal contributions are requested as soon as possible in order to implement the fiscal year 1998 program in a timely manner. No portion of the \$3,446,500 in appropriated funds may be expended for fiscal year 1998 program activities until DOE has received from non-Federal sources at least an aggregate sum of \$1,723,250.

ADDRESSES: Contributions should be made in the form of a check payable to "U.S. Department of Energy" and should include the following annotation: "For EPAct 2118, EMF Program." Contributions are to be mailed to: U.S. Department of Energy; Office of Headquarters Accounting Operations; Fiscal Operations Division, CR–54; P.O. Box 500; Germantown, MD 20875–0500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information contact Dr. Imre Gyuk, Office of Energy Outreach, EE–14, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585.

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Dan W. Reicher,

Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Fernald

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

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

DATES: Saturday, March 14, 1998: 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. (public comment session: 12:15 p.m.—12:30 p.m.) ADDRESSES: Alpha Building, 10967 Hamilton-Cleves Highway, Harrison, Ohio.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John S. Applegate, Chair of the Fernald Citizens' Advisory Board, P.O. Box 544, Ross, Ohio 45061, or call the Fernald Citizens' Advisory Board office (513) 648–6478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board

The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of future use, cleanup levels, waste disposition and cleanup priorities at the Fernald site.

Tentative Agenda

8:30 a.m. Call to Order

- 8:30–8:50 Opening Remarks
- 8:50–9:50 White Metal Box/Systems Discussion
- 9:50-10:05 Copper Recycling
- 10:05-10:15 Break
- 10:15–11:00 Review of Past Recommendations
- 11:00–11:15 Conflict of Interest Statement
- 11:15–12:00 1998 Priorities and Schedule
- 12:00-12:15 Committee Updates
- 12:15-12:30 Public Comment
- 12:30 p.m. Adjourn

A final agenda will be available at the meeting, Saturday, March 14, 1998.

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board chair either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact the Board chair 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, Gary Stegner, Public Affairs Officer, Ohio Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy, 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 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to John S. Applegate, Chair, the Fernald Citizens' Advisory Board, P.O. Box 544, Ross, Ohio 45061 or by calling the Advisory Board at (513) 648–6478.

Issued at Washington, DC, on February 20, 1998.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Kirtland Area Office (Sandia)

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

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Kirtland Area Office (Sandia).

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, March 18, 1998: 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time).

ADDRESS: Palo Duro Senior Center, 5251 Palo Duro NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mike Zamorski, Acting Manager, Department of Energy Kirtland Area Office, P.O. Box 5400, Albuquerque, NM 87185 (505) 845–4094.

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

- 6:00 p.m. Call to Order/Roll Call
- 7:00 p.m. Public Comments
- 7:10 p.m. Approval of Agenda
- 7:12 p.m. Approval of 02/18/98 Minutes
- 7:17 p.m. Chairperson's Report—Jamie
- Welles
- 7:20 p.m. Sandia National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Presentation/Discussion
- 7:45 p.m. Break
- 7:55 p.m. Sandia National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Issues Discussion
- 8:42 p.m. New/Other Business
- 8:52 p.m. Public Comments
- 8:58 p.m. Announcement of Next Meeting
- 9:00 p.m. Adjourn

A final agenda will be available at the meeting Wednesday, March 18, 1998.

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 Mike Zamorski's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be