

organizations requesting approval to visit Defense installations or Defense contractors on official business. The information collected provides the DoD approving authority with the data necessary to evaluate visit requests. It is also used to coordinate these visits and release information necessary to satisfy the visit purpose. Each request is limited to a visit to one location for multiple visitors on a specified subject.

**Affected Public:** Individuals (Representing foreign governments and international organizations); Businesses or Other For-Profit.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Respondent's obligation:** Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

**OMB Desk Officer:** Mr. Edward C. Springer.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Springer at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**DOD Clearance Officer:** Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: February 16, 1999.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Advisory Committee Meeting Notice

**AGENCY:** Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC), DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 10 (a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following meeting:

**Name of Committee:** Distance Learning/ Training Technology Applications Subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee.

**Date:** February 25, 1999.

**Place:** Newport News, Virginia.

**Time:** 1300-1500 on 25 February 1999.

**Proposed Agenda:** Review and discussion of the status of Army National Guard Distance Learning.

**Purpose of the Meeting:** The members will advise the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff (ADCST), HQ Training and Doctrine

Command (TRADOC), on matters pertaining to the Army National Guard Distance Learning system to include the Distributive Training Technology Project.

**Waiver:** Waiver to 15-day-notice requirement for the **Federal Register** is approved. Command Decision to hold the meeting in tandem with The Army Learning and Training Effectiveness Symposium, scheduled for 23-25 February, was made too late for timely notification. Combining the meetings will save travel expense for subcommittee members and National Guard briefer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** All communications regarding this subcommittee meeting should be addressed to Mr. Rick Karpinski, at Commander, Headquarters TRADOC, ATTN: ATTG-CF (Mr. Karpinski), Fort Monroe, VA 23651-5000; telephone number (757) 728-5531.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Meeting of the advisory committee is open to the public. Because of restricted meeting space, attendance will be limited to those persons who have notified Mr. Karpinski prior to the meeting of their intention to attend. He will provide meeting agenda and specific location.

Any member of the public may file a written statement with the committee before, during, or after the meeting. To the extent that time permits, the committee chairman may allow public presentations or oral statements at the meeting.

**Gregory D. Showalter,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Corps of Engineers

#### Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of Pub. L. 92-463, The Federal Advisory Committee Act, this announces the 58th Meeting of the Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board (EAB):

**Name of Committee:** Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board

**Dates of Meeting:** April 19-23, 1999.

**Place:** Radisson Plaza Hotel, 815 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

**Time:** 1 p.m.-5 p.m. (April 19, 1999); 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (April 20, 1999); 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (April 21, 1999); 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

(April 22, 1999); 8 a.m.-10 a.m. (April 23, 1999).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Lloyd Saunders, CECW-AG, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 20 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20314-1000, phone (202) 761-8731.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting will be divided into an orientation session and technical program. The Orientation Session, April 19, will explain Corps business practices to new members of the Board. Orientation will continue on April 20 with a field trip to local water resources projects. The technical program, April 21-23, will be the conclusion of our decision on the Watershed Perspective in Water Resources Development.

The meeting will be open to the public to the extent that space limitations of the meeting location permit. Because of these limitations, interested parties are requested to notify our office (above address) in writing at least five days prior to the meeting of their intent to attend.

**Gregory D. Showalter,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Nevada Operations Office; Notice of Solicitation for Research and Development on Automotive Electric Motor Drive (AEMD)

**AGENCY:** Nevada Operations Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of a research cooperative agreement solicitation for an Automotive Electric Motor Drive for the Partnership for a New Generation of Vehicles.

**SUMMARY:** The Nevada Operations Office of the Department of Energy (DOE) plans to issue a Financial Assistance Solicitation for Research and Development of an Automotive Electric Motor Drive (AEMD) under Solicitation Number: DE-SC08-99EE50569. This solicitation, which is due to be released on or about March 12, 1999, supports the Government/automotive industry Partnership for a New Generation of Vehicles (PNGV). The Partnership goal is to develop light-duty vehicles that achieve up to 80 mpg, meet emission standards, and offer the same level of performance and cost as today's vehicles. Additional information on the Partnership can be obtained at the United States Council for Automotive Research (USCAR) Internet web site

<http://uscar.org>. The technology that has been selected by PNGV to attain the goals are hybrid electric propulsion, with direct injection engines, fuel cells, light-weight materials, along with advanced integrated power electronics. The goal is to develop one or more subsystem suppliers who will develop the next generation AEMD which will eventually be integrated with the Automotive Integrated Power Module (AIPM). The AIPM procurement activity is currently under the Department of Energy's Chicago Operations Office solicitation number DE-SC02-98EE5025. Applicants for the AEMD solicitation shall develop and demonstrate their innovation by using open architecture concepts that permit scalable power output capability, and low-cost manufacturing to meet automotive goals and requirements. Further, the selected applicant(s) shall participate with DOE and its automotive industry partners to demonstrate the system capabilities of the proposed AEMD. Independent of this solicitation, DOE plans to do a vehicle system validation of this technology. Those prototypes that are successful may be used to develop automotive engineering solutions for operation under extreme conditions. The AEMD specification was coordinated with the DOE AIPM Program, efforts of the Automotive Industry Partnership and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE). Additional information can be found on the USCAR web site and the IEEE web site <http://stdsbbs.ieee.org/groups/1461>. System integration issues for the AEMD include delivery of complete full scale models incorporating the principles of design for manufacturing and means to update DOE existing cost analyses.

**DATES:** All applications for Solicitation Number: DE-SC08-99EE50569 should be received according to the solicitation's Due Date for Applications. This solicitation is expected to be released on or about March 12, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be sent to U.S. Department of Energy, Nevada Operations Office, Contracts Management Division, ATTN: Rosa M. Gomez, 232 Energy Way, N. Las Vegas, Nevada 89030.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** All questions should be addressed to Rosa M. Gomez, Contracts Management Division, Telephone Number: (702) 295-4064, Fax Number: (702) 295-5305. A copy of the solicitation will be accessible via Internet: <http://www.nv.doe.gov/business/procurement/solicit.htm>. There will be no printed or hard copies of the Solicitation mailed. If

you do not have access to the Internet, there is a public reading room available for viewing the document at DOE/NV's facility in North Las Vegas, Nevada. Additionally, most public libraries have resources available to electronically access and download the Solicitation. **CAUTION:** This Solicitation will be issued electronically as well as any amendments thereto. Because of this, the Government is under no obligation and is in fact unable to maintain a COMPLETE bidders mailing list. It is therefore incumbent upon any interested parties to periodically access the above Internet address in order to obtain any amendments which may be issued. Failure to obtain any said amendments and to respond to them prior to the date and time set for receipt of applications may render your application nonresponsive and result in rejection of the same.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DOE anticipates that multiple agreements may result from this solicitation. Periods of performance may range from 24 to 36 months and total estimated DOE funds in the amount of \$6,000,000 are anticipated. Cost sharing requirements will be at least 50 percent of total estimated costs. Awards are subject to the availability of funds. The issuance of a solicitation will not obligate DOE to make any award(s). Any non-profit or for-profit organization, university of other institution of higher education, or non-federal agency or entity is eligible to apply. Federal laboratory participation will be limited to the Designated Scientific User Facilities, which are identified on the solicitation's web site stated above. The solicitation will provide further guidance in this area. Award(s) resulting from this solicitation will be subject to the requirements of the Energy Policy Act, which in general, requires that the awardee be a United States-owned company (including certain non-profits) or that the foreign country in which the parent company is located meets certain conditions of reciprocity in the treatment of investments, access to research and development programs, and protection of intellectual property. All responsible sources, as indicated above, may submit an application which will be considered by the Government. All interested organizations are invited to submit applications.

Issued in North Las Vegas, Nevada on February 8, 1999.

**Kenneth W. Powers,**

*Head of Contracting Activity.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Availability of Solicitation for Awards of Financial Assistance

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13744—Geothermal Power Initiative.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Idaho Operations Office (ID) is seeking applications for cost-shared research and development in the area of geothermal energy conversion technology. The research is to be directed toward the domestic use and development of new technologies that enhance the feasibility of generating electrical power from geothermal resources by lowering costs and/or improving performance. DOE funds will be used only to fund tasks directly related to the research and development of geothermal power plant technology. Tasks that support reservoir technology, exploration, or drilling will not be funded. Applications involving work in foreign countries will not be considered.

**DATES:** The deadlines for receipt of full applications are March 10, 1999, May 12, 1999, and August 11, 1999 at 3:00 p.m. MST.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted to: Beth Dahl, Contract Specialist, 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:** Beth Dahl, Contract Specialist at [dahlee@id.doe.gov](mailto:dahlee@id.doe.gov), or Linda Hallum, Contracting Officer at [hallumla@id.doe.gov](mailto:hallumla@id.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DOE anticipates making up to 6 grant/cooperative agreement awards, each with duration of three years or less. The awardee is required to provide a minimum of 20% cost-share for the proposed activities. Federal funds presently available for this solicitation are \$1,100,000. Additional funds are subject to funding availability. Federal cost share of \$200,000 is preferred. For-profit, not-for-profit, state and local governments, Indian Tribes, and institutions of higher education may submit applications in response to this solicitation.

The statutory authorities for this program are the Geothermal Energy Research, Development and Demonstration Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-410) and the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPACT).