

advances in materials, tools and operations will be needed to maintain the throughput of the current infrastructure and expansion for future system demands.

**DATES:** The solicitation will be available on the DOE/NETL's Internet address at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business> on or about November 9, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Crystal A. Sharp, Contract Specialist MS IO7, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, P.O. Box 880, 3610 Collins Ferry Road, Morgantown, WV 26507-0880, E-mail Address: [csharp@netl.doe.gov](mailto:csharp@netl.doe.gov), Telephone Number: 304-285-4442.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The purpose of the National Gas Infrastructure Reliability program is to fund research which encourages and promotes research and development efforts resulting in the development of technology which will place the necessary tools and materials into the hands of those who maintain and enhance the integrity and operational reliability of the Nation's natural gas transmission and distribution network. DOE is requesting proposals which support technology developments in the areas of both natural gas transmission and distribution infrastructure. Specifically, proposals are requested under the following topic areas:

1. The development of technology to ensure the integrity and reliability of the design, construction and operation of the natural gas transmission infrastructure;

2. The development of technology to ensure the integrity and reliability of the design, construction and operation of the natural gas distribution infrastructure; and

3. The development of technology which may crosscut topics 1 and 2.

It is anticipated that there will be multiple awards resulting from this solicitation. DOE has determined that a minimum cost share of 35% of the total cost is required for this solicitation research. At current planning levels, and subject to the availability of funds, DOE expects to provide up to approximately \$10,000,000 to support work under this solicitation.

Prospective applicants who would like to be notified as soon as the solicitation is available should register at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business>. Provide your E-mail address and click on the "Oil and Gas" technology choice located under the heading "Fossil Energy." Once you subscribe, you will receive an announcement by E-mail that the solicitation has been released to the public.

Telephone requests, written requests, E-mail requests, or facsimile requests for a copy of the solicitation package will not be accepted and/or honored. Applications must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the instructions and forms contained in the solicitation. The actual solicitation document will allow for requests for explanation and/or interpretation.

Issued in Morgantown, WV on November 2, 2000.

**Randolph L. Kesling,**

*Director, Acquisition and Assistance Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Pantex**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Pantex. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Tuesday, November 28, 2000, 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Radisson Inn of Amarillo, East Wing Ballroom, I-40 & Lakeside, Amarillo, Texas 79108.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerry S. Johnson, Assistant Area Manager, Department of Energy, Amarillo Area Office, P.O. Box 30030, Amarillo, TX 79120; phone (806) 477-3125; fax (806) 477-5896 or e-mail [jjohnson@pantex.gov](mailto:jjohnson@pantex.gov).

**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:*

10:00 Agenda Review/Approval of Minutes  
10:15 Co-Chair Comments  
10:30 Task Force/Subcommittee Reports  
11:00 Ex-Officio Reports  
11:15 Updates—Occurrence Reports—DOE  
11:45 Break for Lunch  
12:45 Presentation (to be announced)  
2:00 Questions  
2:20 Public Questions/Comments  
2:30 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 Jerry Johnson's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and every reasonable provision will be made to accommodate the request in the agenda. The Deputy 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 five minutes to present their comments.

*Minutes:* Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Pantex Public Reading Rooms located at the Amarillo College Lynn Library and Learning Center, 2201 South Washington, Amarillo, TX phone (806) 371-5400. Hours of operation are from 7:45 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Saturday; and 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, except for Federal holidays. Additionally, there is a Public Reading Room located at the Carson County Public Library, 401 Main Street, Panhandle, TX phone (806) 537-3742. Hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and closed Saturday and Sunday as well as Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing or calling Jerry S. Johnson at the address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on November 7, 2000.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel; Open Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel. Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended), requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Tuesday, November 14, 2000, 8:30 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

Wednesday, November 15, 2000, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Sunline Transit Authority, 32–505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms, California 92296. Telephone: 760–343–3456.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Neil Rossmeissl, Designated Federal Officer, Hydrogen Program Manager, EE–15, Office of Power Technologies, Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585; Telephone: 202–586–8668.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Purpose of the Meeting**

The major purpose of this meeting will be to hold a discussion on Local, State, and Federal Governments role in supporting and encouraging the transition to hydrogen energy systems.

Other topics included are: (1) Reauthorization of the Hydrogen Future Act, (2) California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulating situation, (3) report on the Las Vegas Blueprint Workshop, (4) report on the BP Amoco Workshop on Fuel Cell Vehicle Infrastructure, (5) report on Vision 21.

*Tuesday, November 14, 2000*

8:30 a.m.: Introduction and Opening  
Comments—D. Nahmias

8:40: HTAP Committee Reports:  
—Coordination—H. Chum  
—Scenario Planning—H. Wedda  
—Fuel Choice—R. Nichols

9:10: State of California—Hydrogen  
Activities—Today and Tomorrow  
—Reauthorization of the Hydrogen Future  
Act—H. Chum  
—Keynote Address—K. Calvert (invited)  
—California Air Resources Board—A.  
Lloyd  
—California Energy Commission—D. Rohy

10:10: Break

10:20: Programs and Coordination  
Activities—Transportation:  
—California Fuel Cell Partnership—J.  
Wallace (invited)  
—Las Vegas Blueprint Meeting Report—C.  
Hammil  
—Sunline Update—R. Cromwell  
—BP Amoco Workshop Report—J. Rinker

12:00 p.m.: Lunch

1:00: DOE Program Report—S. Gronich

2:00: Systems Analysis Report—M. Mann

2:45: Vision 21: Perspectives and Prospects—  
H. Chambers

3:45: Break

4:00: Public Comments (5 minutes maximum  
per speaker) Audience

4:45: HTAP Deliberations

5:45: Adjourn

*Wednesday, November 15, 2000*

8:30 a.m.: HYFORUM Report:  
—Conference Overview—D. Nahmias  
—Hydrogen Across the Federal  
Government—H. Chum

9:30: Hydrogen Safety Documentary—W.  
Hoagland, S. Leach

10:00: Break

10:15: Aspen Clean Energy Roundtable—C.  
Gregorie Padro

11:00: Public Comments

11:30: HTAP Deliberations  
12:30 p.m.: Adjourn

**Public Participation:** This 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 Mr. Neil Rossmeissl'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 presentations 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. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that needed to be resolved prior to publication.

**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, S.W. Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Neil Rossmeissl, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20585, or by calling (202) 586–8668.

Issued at Washington, DC on November 6, 2000.

**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management  
Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**International Energy Agency Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Subject to timely enactment of legislation to reinstate the antitrust defense under section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, a meeting of the Industry Advisory Board to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will be held on November 14, 2000, at the headquarters of the IEA in Paris, France in connection with a joint meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions and Standing Group on Oil Markets.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Samuel M. Bradley, Assistant General

Counsel for International and National Security Programs, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20585, 202–586–6738.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Subject to timely enactment of legislation to reinstate the antitrust defense under section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA), the following meeting notice is provided, in accordance with section 252(c)(1)(A)(i) of the EPCA (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(i)):

A meeting of the Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will be held at the headquarters of the IEA, 9, rue de la Federation, Paris, France, on November 14, 2000, beginning at approximately 9 a.m. The purpose of this notice is to permit attendance by representatives of U.S. company members of the IAB at a joint meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ) and the Standing Group on Oil Markets (SOM), which is scheduled to be held at the IEA on November 14 beginning at 2:30 p.m., including a preparatory encounter among company representatives on November 14 from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

The Agenda for the preparatory encounter among company representatives is to elicit views regarding items on the SEQ/SOM's Agenda. The Agenda for the SEQ/SOM meeting is under the control of the SEQ/SOM. It is expected that the SEQ/SOM will follow the following:

**Agenda**

1. Current Oil Market Situation
2. Market Psychology: A Trader's Perspective
3. Heating Oil Situation and Possible Responses
  - Report on Results of Special Statistical Survey
  - Discussion on Possible IEA Response
4. Current Situation with Independent Storage

As provided in section 252(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(ii)), this meeting is open only to representatives of members of the IAB and their counsel, representatives of members of the SEQ, representatives of the Departments of Energy, Justice, and State, the Federal Trade Commission, the General Accounting Office, Committees of Congress, the IEA, and the European Commission, and invitees of the IAB, the SEQ, or the IEA.