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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Corps of Engineer, Department of the Army

Intent To Prepare A Draft Tier II Environment Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project, Savannah, Georgia

AGENCY: US Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of Intent—Correction.

SUMMARY OF THE ACTION: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers published a Notice Of Intent to Prepare a Draft Tier II Environment Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project, Savannah, Georgia in the **Federal Register** on January 22, 2002. A portion of the address contained in contact information was incorrect. The correct information is as follows: Questions or written comments about the proposed action and DEIS should be provided by March 7, 2002 to: Mr. William Bailey at 912-652-5781, e-mail address shep@sas02.usace.army.mil, or at US Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District, ATTN: PD-E, Post Office Box 889, Savannah, Georgia 31402.

Dated: February 19, 2002.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

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

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act

(44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507(j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by March 18, 2002. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 26, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Karen Lee, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget; 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Karen_F._Lee@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (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 Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. 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. ED invites public comment. 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

respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: February 19, 2002.

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Leader, Regulatory Information Management,
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Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Application for State Grants for Reading First.

Abstract: This application will be used to award grants to State educational agencies to improve K-3 reading instruction and student achievement through the application of scientifically based reading research, and the proven instructional and assessment tools consistent with this research.

Additional Information: The Department of Education is requesting emergency processing for the Reading First Application by March 18 due to an unanticipated event and possibly causing public harm. The late passage and signing of this legislation leaves the Department with no choice but to request an emergency collection if it is to meet the goal of awarding grant funds to states with approved applications on July 1. If normal processing were to be followed, States would not have sufficient time to prepare high quality applications and make revisions as necessary before July 1, 2002, and funds would not be received in time.

Frequency: Other: Grants awarded for a period of six years; SEAs not required to reapply until that period ends.

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

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 57; Burden Hours: 3,306.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, vivian.reese@ed.gov, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at (540) 776-7742 or via her internet address Kathy.Axt@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Energy Technology Laboratory; Notice of Availability of a Financial Assistance Solicitation

AGENCY: National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability of a financial assistance solicitation.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the intent to issue Financial Assistance Solicitation No. DE-PS26-02NT41450 entitled Mining Industry of the Future/mineral Processing Technologies. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Industrial Technologies (OIT) in collaboration with the National Mining Association (NMA) is seeking industry-led proposals for cost-shared research and development of technologies which will reduce energy consumption, enhance economic competitiveness and reduce environmental impacts of the domestic mining industry. The research is to address research priorities identified by the Mining Industry of the Future Mineral Processing Technology Roadmap (the Roadmap can be accessed on the Internet at: <http://www.oit.doe.gov/mining/pdfs/mptroadmap.pdf>). In particular, the roadmap identifies three (3) areas of mineral processing technology where the most impact and the greatest progress towards the mining vision goals can be expected: (1) *Mineral Preparation*—typical processes include comminution, makedown, classification, and, to some extent, blasting and drilling; (2) *Physical Separations*—typical processes include flotation, dewatering, thickening or settling, filtering, drying, flocculation, screening, magnetic separation, classification and washing; and (3) *Chemical Separations*—typical processes include pelletizing or briquetting, smelting, refining, leaching, solvent extraction, bioleaching and electrowinning.

DATES: The solicitation will be available on the "Industry Interactive Procurement System" (IIPS) Web page at <http://e-center.doe.gov> on or about February 27, 2002. It is further anticipated that applications will be due approximately ninety (90) days from the date the solicitation is released. Applicants can download the solicitation from the IIPS Internet address above or obtain access through DOE/NETL's Web site at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business>. Paper copies are not available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donna Jaskolka, Contract Specialist, MS

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOE Office of Industrial Technologies does not fund product development R&D. Applications submitted in response to this solicitation will only be funded if the proposed research and development addresses improving the energy efficiency of mineral processing technologies. Applications for literature reviews *only* will not be considered. Additionally, applications offering emissions or waste disposal, remediation, or treatment as a primary focus are not eligible for funding under this solicitation. This limitation does not include applications that target materials recycling or by-product utilization as their primary focus.

The U. S. Congress looks to the Department of Energy (DOE) to work toward improving the energy efficiency of America's most energy-intensive industries with special interest on industrial processing. DOE, through its Office of Industrial Technologies (OIT), supports industries in their efforts to increase energy efficiency, reduce waste, and increase productivity. The goal of OIT is to accelerate the development and use of advanced, energy efficient, renewable, and pollution prevention technologies that benefit industry, the environment, and U.S. energy security. OIT's core program is the Industries of the Future (IOF) Program that focuses on basic materials and processing industries such as the Mining Industry. In June 1998, the National Mining Association (NMA) and the Secretary of Energy signed a Compact pledging to work together through research and development partnerships. The objective of Solicitation No. DE-PS26-02NT41450 is another step in continuing to support this pledge by funding research and development projects which address research needs described in the Mineral Processing Technology Roadmap. The three key industry-identified areas, as presented in the Mineral Processing Technology Roadmap and which form the bases for the areas of interest under this solicitation, are: Mineral preparation, physical separations, and chemical separations. Additional background information is provided in the National Mining Association's Report, "The Future Begins with Mining, A Vision of the Mining Industry of the Future (Sept. 1998)", which can be accessed at: <http://www.oit.doe.gov/>

[mining/pdfs/vision.pdf](http://www.oit.doe.gov/mining/pdfs/vision.pdf). No fiscal year 2002 (FY02) funds are available for this solicitation; selection and negotiation of successful offers leading to award of cost-shared financial assistance cooperative agreements is subject to availability of funding in FY03 and beyond. An estimated \$3.9 million in DOE funds is planned for this initiative as follows: approximately \$1.3 million in FY03; \$1.4 million in FY04; and \$1.2 million in FY05. Selection of successful offers are expected to be made on or before January 1, 2003, subject to availability of funding, with completion of negotiations and issuance of awards anticipated to occur within a reasonable timeframe thereafter. Multiple (three to ten) awards are contemplated.

A minimum fifty percent (50%) cost-share is required, i.e., if the total proposed project cost is estimated as \$2 million, the government's share would be no more than \$1 million and the recipient's share would be no less than \$1 million.

Any for-profit or non-profit organization, university or other institution of higher education, or non-federal agency or entity is eligible to apply, unless otherwise restricted by the Simpson-Craig amendment. Applicants for financial assistance under this solicitation are subject to the eligibility requirements of section 2306 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPAct), Foreign Company Participation. EPAct provides further guidelines for companies who apply for financial assistance herein where the company's participation is to be in the economic interest of the U.S. and the company must either be U.S.-owned or incorporated in the U.S. with its parent company incorporated in a country that provides similar protections and privileges under U.S. law. Applications submitted by or on behalf of (1) Another Federal agency, a Federally-funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) or (3) a DOE Management and Operating (M&O) contractor will not be eligible for award under this solicitation. However, these organizations may be proposed as team members subject to the guidelines provided in the solicitation. Applicants must include at least two (2) mining companies as members of the multi-disciplinary team. Multi-partner collaborations are encouraged.

Once released, the solicitation will be available for downloading from the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) Internet page (<http://e-center.doe.gov>). You must register with IIPS, to enable you to submit an application. If you need technical assistance in registering, or for any other