

Availability as amended remains unchanged.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the draft PEIS should be mailed to the following address:

U.S. Department of Energy, Waste Management PEIS Comments, P.O. Box 3790, Gaithersburg, MD 20885-3790.

Requests for information about and copies of the draft PEIS should be directed to:

Center for Environmental Management Information, P.O. Box 23769, Washington, DC 20026-3769, 1-800-736-3282 or in Washington, D.C.: 202-863-5084.

For information on the DOE National Environmental Policy Act process, contact:

Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance (EH-42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4600 or leave message at 1-800-472-2756.

**DATES:** The comment period on the draft PEIS will continue through February 19, 1996. Comments postmarked after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On September 22, 1995, the Department issued a Notice of Availability (60 FR 49264) on the draft PEIS that included: a brief description of the contents of the document and alternatives analyzed; a list of reading rooms where the full document is available to the public; information on how to obtain additional copies of the document and submit public comments; and a schedule of public hearings. This Notice also announced a ninety-day public comment period extending from September 22, 1995 to December 21, 1995.

On October 25, 1995, the Department issued an amendment (60 FR 54670) to the Notice of Availability. This amendment revised the schedule of public hearings in order to increase accessibility to the hearings. The amendment listed new hearing times and locations in the states of Illinois, New Mexico, New York, Oregon and Washington.

The public comment period is being extended to February 19, 1996, in response to public requests for additional time to review the document and prepare comments. Except as otherwise specified above, all information contained in the September

22, 1995 Notice of Availability as amended remains unchanged.

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**Oak Ridge Operations Office; Determination of Noncompetitive Financial Assistance**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). Oak Ridge Operations Office, pursuant to 10 CFR 600.7(b)(2), announces its intent to issue on a noncompetitive basis a renewal award to the United States Automotive Materials Partnership (USAMP) for a project entitled, "Automotive Lightweight Materials Program". USAMP is a consortium of Chrysler Corporation, Ford Motor Company, and General Motors Corporation. The period of performance for this project is four years with operating funds in the amount of \$15,000,000 being allocated for this effort. These funds will be matched equally by USAMP under this cooperative agreement.

**PROCUREMENT REQUEST NO.:** 05-96OR22363.001.

**PROJECT SCOPE:** The USAMP mission is to continue to define and conduct pre-competitive, vehicle-related research and development (R&D) in materials and materials processing which will improve the competitiveness of the U.S. automotive industry. USAMP goals are to develop several families of automotive materials that will impact strategic needs of the industry. These needs include improved fuel economy through vehicle weight reduction, improved reliability and durability, reduced friction, noise and vibration, lower cost materials and manufacturing processes, flexibility of design and styling, and reduced emissions. The project participants, including Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, and their suppliers, are making available for this effort their internal automotive R&D facilities, as well as demonstration facilities in manufacturing operations and at suppliers. These capabilities are world class and cannot be matched and/or duplicated except at other automotive manufacturer R&D sites. The recipient's resources, capabilities, facilities, and situation in the private sector are unsurpassed. There exists no other

similar company or consortium with the capabilities and supplier base with which to competitively bid this work. Therefore, in accordance with 10 CFR 600.7(b)(2)(i), it has been determined that the activity to be funded is necessary for the satisfactory completion of an activity that will enhance the public benefit derived and for which competition would have a significant adverse effect on completion of the activity. In addition, based upon the consortium partner's and their supplier's unique facilities, equipment, proprietary data, and technical expertise, the recipient has exclusive domestic capability to perform the activities successfully. Eligibility for renewal of this award is, therefore, restricted to USAMP.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark A. Million, Contract Specialist, U.S. Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Operations Office, Procurement and Contracts Division, AD-423, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-8758, (423) 576-7814.

Issued in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, on December 6, 1995.

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**Savannah River Operations Office; Interim Management of Nuclear Materials at Savannah River Site**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Record of decision and notice of preferred alternatives.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) prepared a final environmental impact statement (EIS), "Interim Management of Nuclear Materials", (DOE/EIS-0220, October 20, 1995) to assess the potential environmental impacts of actions necessary to manage nuclear materials at the Savannah River Site (SRS), Aiken, South Carolina, until decisions on their ultimate disposition are made and implemented. The actions evaluated in the EIS would stabilize SRS materials that represent environment, safety and health vulnerabilities in their current storage condition or which may represent a vulnerability within the next 10 years. These vulnerabilities are the result of the suspension of nuclear materials production and processing operations which accompanied the end of the Cold War. Although DOE has initiated programmatic and project specific environmental evaluations on the ultimate disposition of the nuclear materials in the DOE complex which are