magnetic fusion experiments should be used to implement routine diagnostics, based on their own research program priorities. Diagnostics for the inertial fusion energy (IFE) program are not included in this Notice. These are developed and implemented separately under the OFES IFE program.

More detailed information about measurements that are needed for advancing the magnetic fusion program has been prepared by members of the fusion community. This information can be found at the following Web site: http://www.ofes.science.doe.gov/News/DiagDev.html. You may want to periodically check this Web site for any updates or additional information. Please keep in mind that only grant applications that are responsive to the requirements of this Notice will be considered for funding.

For more general information on the fusion energy sciences program, see the OFES Web site at http://www.ofes.science.doe.gov.

Funding Information: Approximately $2,200,000 of Fiscal Year 2002, funding will be available for awards resulting from this Notice. The number of awards and range of funding will depend on the number of applications received and selected for award. Multi-year funding of awards is expected, generally for three years, with funding provided on an annual basis. You are encouraged to submit applications with three-year project periods, unless the nature of your research requires a project period of less than three years. However, due to the anticipated funding levels for Fiscal Year 2002, the initial funding period may be less than twelve months, with two subsequent funding periods of one year each. The project period will be determined by OFES. New projects (i.e., research that is not considered a renewal of a current grant) selected for award may have a funding start date in Fiscal Year 2003.

Because future year funding is not anticipated to increase, applications should propose constant year effort (allowing for inflation). Future year funding will depend upon suitable progress and the availability of funds. Because of the total amount of available funding and the intent to have a broadly based program, applications with an annual requirement in any year in excess of $400,000 are less likely to be funded. The cost-effectiveness of the application will be considered when comparing applications with differing funding requirements. In cases where the proposed work assumes the availability of a facility, experimental apparatus, or base group to perform the work, the funding source(s) for these additional needs must be identified in the grant application.

A parallel request for Field Work Proposals will be issued to DOE Federally Funded Research and Development Centers (FFRDCs). All proposed programs will be evaluated using the same criteria regardless of the submitting institution.

Collaboration: Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with researchers in other institutions, such as universities, industry, non-profit organizations, federal laboratories, and Federally Funded Research and Development Centers (FFRDCs), including the DOE National Laboratories. In the case of collaborative applications submitted from different institutions, which are directed at a single research activity, each application must have a distinct scope of work and a qualified principal investigator who is responsible for the research effort being performed at his or her institution. Further information on preparation of collaborative proposals may be accessed via the Internet at http://www.science.doe.gov/production/grants/Colab.html.

Application Format: In order to enable the reviewers to read multiple applications, the technical discussion of the research in the application must be limited to a maximum of twenty-five (25) pages (not including figures). The progress report that must be included with renewal applications is not part of the page limit. Although it is not required, due to the anticipated number of reviewers, it would be helpful if applicants submitted fifteen (15) copies of their application; otherwise the standard number of copies must be received with each application as outlined in the Application Guide.

The application should include the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the principal investigator(s).

The detailed description of the proposed research, in addition to the information required by 10 CFR Part 605, should contain the following items:

(1) A succinct statement of the goal of the research;

(2) A detailed research plan;

(3) The specific results or deliverables expected at the end of the project period;

(4) A detailed analysis of the adequacy of the facilities and budget;

(5) Evidence of the ability of the diagnostic system to make the proposed measurement;

(6) Discussion of how the research would lead to an improved understanding of plasma behavior in magnetic fusion devices;

(7) Discussion of why this research would have an important impact on the magnetic fusion science program;

(8) Discussion of the aspect of the proposed research that is developmental, as opposed to implementation of an existing measurement technique; and

(9) In cases where the proposed work assumes the availability of a facility, experimental apparatus, or base group to perform the work, include a letter of support from the principal investigator (or other appropriate person) of that facility or group. This letter should specify any technical, engineering, theory/modeling, etc. assistance that will be provided by that facility or group.

Applications will be subjected to formal merit review and will be evaluated against the following criteria, which are listed in descending order of importance as set forth in 10 CFR Part 605:

1. Scientific and/or technical merit of the project;

2. Appropriateness of the proposed method or approach;

3. Competency of the applicant's personnel and adequacy of the proposed resources;

4. Reasonableness and appropriateness of the proposed budget.

In addition to peer review, funding decisions will be based on program policy factors, such as relevance of the proposed research to the terms of this Notice and DOE's programmatic needs.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049, and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR Part 605.

Issued in Washington, DC on April 11, 2001.

John Rodney Clark,

Associate Director of Science for Resource Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada

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), Nevada Test Site. 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: Wednesday, May 2, 2001, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors, 750 East Sahara, 2nd Floor Meeting Room, Las Vegas, Nevada.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Rohrer, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environmental Management, P.O. Box 98518, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193–8513, phone: 702–295–0197, fax: 702–295–5300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Advisory Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

6:00–6:30—Open house

6:30–9:00—1. Discussion on Nuclear Waste Operations in Nevada and New Mexico

2. Presentations on: Transportation Routes and Hazards, Disposal Operations, Protection of the Environment, and Emergency Response Plans and Capabilities

Copies of the final agenda will be available at the meeting.

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 Kevin Rohrer at the 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 Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to the late resolution of programmatic issues.

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 p.m., Monday–Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Kevin Rohrer at the address listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on April 17, 2001.

Belinda G. Hood,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

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

DATES: Wednesday, May 9, 2001, 6:00 p.m.–9:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Garden Plaza Hotel, 215 South Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, TN 37830.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Halsey, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM–922, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 576–4025; Fax (865) 576–5333 or e-mail: *halseypj@oro.doe.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:

1. A presentation on Stewardship will be provided by Mr. David Geiser, Director of Long-Term Stewardship, DOE/Headquarters.

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 Pat Halsey at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation 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 at the end of the meeting.

Minutes: Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Department of Energy's Information Resource Center at 105 Broadway, Oak Ridge, TN between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by writing to Pat Halsey, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM–922, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, or by calling her at (865) 576–4025.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Information Collection Submitted for Review and Request for Comments

April 17, 2001.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of submission for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the energy information collection listed in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13). Any interested person may file comments on the collection of information directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of February 1, 2001 (66 FR 8576–77) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection of information are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before May 23, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Desk Officer, 726 Jackson Place, NW., Washington, DC 20503. A copy of the comments should also be sent to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attention: Mr. Michael Miller, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208–1415, by fax at