administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

3. *Reporting:* (a) If you apply for a grant under this competition, you must ensure that you have in place the necessary processes and systems to comply with the reporting requirements in 2 CFR part 170 should you receive funding under the competition. This does not apply if you have an exception under 2 CFR 170.110(b).

(b) At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a multiyear award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as directed by the Secretary under 34 CFR 75.118. The Secretary may also require more frequent performance reports under 34 CFR 75.720(c). For specific requirements on reporting, please go to www.ed.gov/ fund/grant/apply/appforms/ appforms.html.

(c) Under 34 CFR 75.250(b), the Secretary may provide a grantee with additional funding for data collection analysis and reporting. In this case the Secretary establishes a data collection period.

4. Performance Measures: The goal of the SPDG Program is to reform and improve State systems for personnel preparation and professional development in early intervention, educational, and transition services in order to improve results for children with disabilities. Under the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA), the Department has established a set of performance measures, including long-term measures, that are designed to yield information on various aspects of the effectiveness and quality of the SPDG Program. These measures assess the extent to which:

• Projects use evidence-based professional development practices to support the attainment of identified competencies.

• Participants in SPDG professional development demonstrate improvement in implementation of SPDG-supported practices over time.

• Projects use SPDG professional development funds to provide activities designed to sustain the use of SPDG-supported practices.

• Highly qualified special education teachers, as defined in section 602(10) of IDEA, that have participated in SPDG-supported special education teacher retention activities remain as special education teachers two years after their initial participation in these activities.

Each grantee funded under this competition must collect and annually report data related to its performance on these measures in the project's annual and final performance report to the Department in accordance with section 653(d) of IDEA and 34 CFR 75.590. Applicants should discuss in the application narrative how they propose to collect performance data for these measures.

5. Continuation Awards: In making a continuation award under 34 CFR 75.253, the Secretary considers, among other things: whether a grantee has made substantial progress in achieving the goals and objectives of the project; whether the grantee has expended funds in a manner that is consistent with its approved application and budget; and, if the Secretary has established performance measurement requirements, the performance targets in the grantee's approved application.

In making a continuation award, the Secretary also considers whether the grantee is operating in compliance with the assurances in its approved application, including those applicable to Federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance from the Department (34 CFR 100.4, 104.5, 106.4, 108.8, and 110.23).

VII. Agency Contact

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Coffey, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Room 4097, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202–2600. Telephone: (202) 245–6673.

If you use a TDD or a TTY, call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1–800–877–8339.

VIII. Other Information

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (*e.g.*, braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) by contacting the Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Room 5037, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202–2550. Telephone: (202) 245–7363. If you use a TDD or a TTY, call the FRS, toll free, at 1–800–877–8339.

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Dated: January 27, 2016.

Michael K. Yudin,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DOE Response to Recommendation 2015–1 of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Pantex Plant

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 24, 2015, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board transmitted Recommendation 2015–1, *Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Pantex Plant*, to the Department of Energy. In accordance with section 315(c) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2286d(c), the following represents the Secretary of Energy's response to the Recommendation.

DATES: Comments, data, views, or arguments concerning the Secretary's response are due on or before March 4, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Please send to: Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dale Govan, Office of the Departmental Representative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Office of Environment, Health, Safety and

Security, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585.

Issued in Washington, DC on January 27, 2016.

Joe Olencz,

Departmental Representative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Office of Environment, Health, Safety and Security.

January 13, 2016

The Honorable Joyce L. Connery

Chairman

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

625 Indiana Avenue NW, Suite 700

Washington, DC 20004

Dear Madam Chairman:

The Department of Energy (DOE) acknowledges receipt of Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) Recommendation 2015–1, *Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Pantex Plant,* which was published in the **Federal Register** on December 3, 2015.

The Department shares the Board's view that actions are needed to improve emergency preparedness and response at Pantex. DOE accepts Recommendation 2015–1, which complements improvement actions that the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) has already taken at Pantex as part of the Implementation Plan for Recommendation 2014–1, *Emergency Preparedness and Response.*

We appreciate the Board's perspective and look forward to our continued interaction on preparing the Pantex Implementation Plan. Additionally, we appreciate the Board's consideration and incorporation of the Department's comments into Recommendation 2015– 1. I have assigned Geoffrey L. Beausoleil, Manager, NNSA Production Office, to be the Department's Responsible Manager for this Recommendation.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Geoffrey L. Beausoleil at (865) 576–0752

Sincerely,

Ernest J. Moniz

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Docket Number EERE-2013-BT-NOC-0005]

Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee: Notice of Open Meetings

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meetings.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) announces public meetings and webinars for the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee (ASRAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that agencies publish notice of an advisory committee meeting in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: DOE will host public meetings on the following dates:

• February 26, 2016 (webinar only); 1:00pm-3:00pm

• April 28, 2016; 9:00 a.m.–3:30pm **ADDRESSES:** Unless otherwise stated, the meetings will be held at: The U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 8E–089, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585.

To register for the webinars and receive call-in information, please register for the appropriate meeting date at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/ register/7861562386735908866.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Cymbalsky, ASRAC Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC, 20024. Email: *asrac@ee.doe.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE announces public meetings and webinars for the ASRAC. Members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the meeting and, if time allows, may make oral statements during the specified period for public comment. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, email *asrac*@ *ee.doe.gov*. In the email, please indicate your name, organization (if appropriate), citizenship, and contact information. Please note that foreign nationals participating in the public meeting are subject to advance security screening procedures which require advance notice prior to attendance at the public meeting. If a foreign national wishes to participate in the public meeting, please

inform DOE as soon as possible by contacting Ms. Regina Washington at (202) 586–1214 or by email: *Regina.Washington@ee.doe.gov* so that the necessary procedures can be completed. Anyone attending the meeting will be required to present a government photo identification, such as a passport, driver's license, or government identification. Due to the required security screening upon entry, individuals attending should arrive early to allow for the extra time needed.

Due to the REAL ID Act implemented by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recent changes have been made regarding ID requirements for individuals wishing to enter Federal buildings from specific states and U.S. territories. Driver's licenses from the following states or territory will not be accepted for building entry and one of the alternate forms of ID listed below will be required.

DHS has determined that regular driver's licenses (and ID cards) from the following jurisdictions are not acceptable for entry into DOE facilities: Alaska, Louisiana, New York, American Samoa, Maine, Oklahoma, Arizona, Massachusetts, Washington, and Minnesota.

Acceptable alternate forms of Photo-ID include: U.S. Passport or Passport Card; an Enhanced Driver's License or Enhanced ID-Card issued by the states of Minnesota, New York or Washington (Enhanced licenses issued by these states are clearly marked Enhanced or Enhanced Driver's License); A military ID or other Federal government issued Photo-ID card.

Docket: The docket is available for review at *www.regulations.gov*, including **Federal Register** notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials. All documents in the docket are listed in the *www.regulations.gov* index. However, not all documents listed in the index may be publicly available, such as information that is exempt from public disclosure.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 27, 2016.

Kathleen B. Hogan,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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