*Abstract:* Form RSA–227 is used to analyze and evaluate the Client Assistance Program (CAP) administered by designated CAP agencies. These agencies provide services to clients and client applicants of programs, projects, and community rehabilitation programs authorized by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Data also are reported on information and referral services to any individual with a disability.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Education. **ACTION:** Notice of committee teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming teleconference of the Executive Committee of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting. The public is being given less than 15 days' notice because of the need to accommodate the schedules of the members.

DATE: October 29, 1997.

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LOCATION: 80 F St., NW, Room 100, Washington, DC 20208–7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thelma Leenhouts, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Washington, DC 20208–7564. Tel.: (202) 219–2065; fax: (202) 219–1528; e-mail: Thelma\_Leenhouts@ed.gov. The main telephone number for the Board is (202) 208–0692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of **Educational Research and Improvement** to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office. The Executive Committee will approve for publication on behalf of the Board Standards for the Conduct and Evaluation of Research: Assessing Performance on Contracts, Grants, and Cooperative Agreements; and discuss possible research topics for FY 99. A final agenda will be available from the Board office on October 22. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Suite 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, DC 20208-7564.

Dated: October 16, 1997.

Eve M. Bither,

Executive Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket Nos. EA-158 and EA-160]

## Applications to Export Electric Energy; Williams Energy Services and Rochester Gas and Electric

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE. **AGENCY:** Notice of applications.

**SUMMARY:** Williams Energy Services Company, a power marketer, and Rochester Gas and Electric, a public utility, have submitted applications to export electric energy to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before November 21, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE–27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585–0350 (FAX 202– 287–5736).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202–586– 9624 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202–586–6667.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. § 824a(e)).

The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) has received applications from the following companies for authorization to export electric energy to Canada, pursuant to section 202(e) of the FPA:

| Applicant                                     | Application<br>date | Docket No. |
|---|---------------------|------------|
| Williams Energy Services Company (WESCO)      | 10/1/97             | EA–158     |
| Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E) | 10/10/97            | EA–160     |

WESCO, a power marketing company, does not own or control any facilities for the generation or transmission of electricity, nor does it have a franchised service area. WESCO proposes to transmit to Canada electric energy purchased from electric utilities and other suppliers within the U.S. RG&E is a regulated public utility serving customers in and around Rochester, New York. RG&E proposes to transmit to Canada electric energy that is excess to its system or purchased from electric utilities or other suppliers within the U.S. The applicants would arrange for the exported energy to be transmitted to Canada over the international facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Detroit Edison Company, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power and Light Company, Minnkota Power Cooperative, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company. Each of the transmission facilities, as more fully described in these applications, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

## **Procedural Matters.**

Any persons desiring to become a party to these proceedings or to be heard by filing comments or protests to these applications should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of such petitions and protests should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above. Comments on WESCO's request to export to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-158. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Michael E. Small and Davis S. Berman, Wright & Talisman, P.C., 1200 G Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20005. Comments on RG&E's request to export to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-160. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Elizabeth W. Whittle, Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle LLP, Suite 700, One Thomas Circle, Washington, DC 20005-5802 and Gerard C. Walter, Director of Generation Marketing, Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, 89 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14649.

A final decision will be made on these applications after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed actions will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of these applications will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above.

Issued in Washington, DC on October 16, 1997.

## Anthony J. Como,

Manager, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy. [FR Doc. 97–27950 Filed 10–21–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Solicitation for Financial Assistance for Cooperative Automotive Research for Advanced Technologies (CARAT) Program Solicitation No. DE–PS02– 98EE50493

**AGENCY:** Chicago Operations Office, (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice inviting financial assistance applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) invites applications for federal assistance for research on the Cooperative Automotive Research for Advanced Technologies (CARAT) Program. This program is a set aside for small businesses and higher eduction institutions. The CARAT Program is for research and development (R&D) in the following areas: vehicle systems, advanced gas turbines, fuel cells, batteries flywheel energy storage, compression ignition direct injection (CIDI), and alternative fuels.

**DATES:** Applications are to be received no later than February 24, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Tanga Baylor, Acquisition and Assistance Group, Chicago Operations Office, 9800 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois 60439, Telephone No. (630) 252–2214, FAX No. (630) 252– 5045, Internet— Tanga.Baylor@CH.DOE.Gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There are 18 topics for which the DOE invites Financial Assistance Applications: Reduction of Thermal Load in Passenger Compartments; Reduction of Energy Consumption of Power Accessories; Low Cost, Compact, High Efficiency, Traction Motor for Electric Vehicles/ Hybrid Electric Vehicles; Advanced Water-Gas Shift Catalysts; Fuel Processing for Fuel Cell Systems; Advanced Membranes and Membrane-Electrode Assemblies: Low Cost CO and Hydrogen Gas Sensors; Simulation of Fuel Cell Performance; Simple Particulate Emissions Measuring System; Variable Valve Timing Device for High Speed CIDI Engine; Measurement System for Mass Flow Rate of Oxygen and Hydrocarbons of an Engine Intake; Novel Fuel Injection System with Flexible Rate Control; Novel, Improved Desulfurization Process for Diesel Fuel; Device for Monitoring Natural Gas Vehicle (NGV) Storage Cylinders; Computer Model for Simulation of Battery Systems; **Development of Novel Battery** System(s); Light Weight, Low Cost, Flywheel Containment System: Improved or Alternative concept for Advanced Electrochemical Capacitor.

The solicitation will be available on the INTERNET to view and download at http://www.ch.doe.gov/business/ ACQ.htm (It is critical that ACQ be in uppercase and all others are lower case). A limited number of printed copies will be available at the Customers' Coordination Meeting (CCM) the week of October 27, 1997 in Detroit, Michigan, otherwise printed copies will not be available from this office, copies must be downloaded from the INTERNET. For information on the CCM meeting contact: Conference Management Associates, Inc. 1401 Spring Lake Drive, Haymarket, VA 20169-1008, FAX (703) 754-4261.

Issued in Chicago, Illinois on September 26, 1997.

#### John D. Greenwood,

Manager, Acquisition and Assistance Group, Contracting Officer. [FR Doc. 97–27949 Filed 10–21–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy. SUMMARY: Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting: NAME: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Electric System Reliability Task Force.

DATES AND TIMES: Thursday, November 6, 1997, 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. ADDRESSES: ANA Hotel, Ballroom I, 2401 M Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20037.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB–1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586–1709 or (202) 586–6279 (fax).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## Background

The electric power industry is in the midst of a complex transition to competition, which will induce many far-reaching changes in the structure of the industry and the institutions which regulate it. This transition raises many reliability issues, as new entities emerge in the power markets and as generation becomes less integrated with transmission.

## **Purpose of the Task Force**

The purpose of the Electric System Reliability Task Force is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the critical institutional, technical, and policy issues that need to be addressed in order to maintain the reliability of the nation's bulk electric system in the context of a more competitive industry.

## **Tentative Agenda**

## Thursday, November 6, 1997

- 8:30–8:45 AM Opening Remarks & Objectives—Philip Sharp, ESR Task Force Chairman.
- 8:45–9:45 AM Briefing: Reliability Council Progress in Addressing Key