

judge the program according to the selection criteria for promising and exemplary.

Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Vivian_Reese@ed.gov or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at 703-426-9692. 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 EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 17, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. 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 that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. 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. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: August 12, 1999.

William E. Burrow,

*Leader, Information Management Group,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Program Evaluation of the European Community/United States of America Joint Consortia for Cooperation in Higher Education and Vocational Education.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:

Responses: 680.

Burden Hours: 422.

Abstract: Program evaluation of the 1996, 1997, and 1998 fiscal year projects in the EC/US Joint Consortia Program. The evaluation will gauge the educational quality and cost effectiveness of the student exchanges and curriculum development programs and inform future grant competitions.

Requests for copies of this information collection should be addressed to Vivian Reese, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address Vivian_Reese@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Joseph Schubart at 202-708-9266 or by e-mail at joe_schubart@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

Office of Science; Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, September 8, 1999, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Thursday, September 9, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Holiday Inn/Goshen Hall; 2 Montgomery Village Avenue; Gaithersburg, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Albert L. Opdenaker, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences; U.S. Department of Energy; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, MD 20874-1290; Telephone: 301-903-4927.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Meeting:* To finalize the Committee's report to the Department of Energy providing an assessment of the restructured Fusion Energy Sciences Program, including recommendations for further redirection given projected flat budgets in the future. The report will also include recommendations on the ongoing proof-of-principle experiments and the balance between tokamak and non-tokamak physics and between magnetic and inertial fusion energy.

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

9:00 a.m. Discussion of Report to DOE on October 9, 1998 Charge
1:30 p.m. Public Comment
3:15 p.m. Finalize Report to DOE
5:30 p.m. Adjourn

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 a.m. DOE Perspective
10:00 a.m. Presentation of Findings to DOE
11:00 a.m. Other Business
12:30 p.m. Adjourn

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Albert L. Opdenaker at 301-903-8584 (fax) or albert.opdenaker@science.doe.gov (email). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business

days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; IE-190; Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.; Washington, D.C., between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

State Energy Advisory Board

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

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: September 30, 1999 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, and October 1, 1999 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

ADDRESSES: Shell Island Beach Resort Hotel, Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina. Phone: 800/689-6765 or 910/256-8696.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William J. Raup, Office of Building Technology, State, and Community Programs, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Washington, DC 20585, Telephone 202/586-2214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Board:* To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals, objectives, programmatic, and administrative policies; and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs

Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

Tentative Agenda: Briefings on, and discussions of:

- Review of the release of the STEAB Seventh Annual Report titled "Making Markets Work in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy"
- Deploying technology from DOE laboratories to the States;
- Status of Weatherization Assistance Program and future funding
- Federal efforts to market energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact William J. Raup at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral presentations must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statements in the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Federal Energy Management Program

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: DOE is releasing an updated draft of the Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) Measurement and Verification (M&V) Guidelines for Federal Energy Projects for public comment. DOE will consider comments and recommendations for the new version of the Guidelines.

DATES: Submit comments on or before September 17, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to Tanya Sadler, Office of Federal Energy Management Programs, EE-90, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0121, or by e-mail to tanya.sadler@ee.doe.gov. Electronic copies of the draft Guidelines are available from the following Internet web address: <http://eande.lbl.gov/CBS/femp/MVdoc.html>. Printed copies will be sent upon request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tanya Sadler, Program Manager for Energy Savings Performance Contracting, (202) 586-7755 by phone or (202) 586-3000 by fax.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPACT) and the resulting energy savings performance contracting regulation, 10 CFR Part 436, authorize Federal agencies to enter into contracts where the contractor incurs project costs and is paid from the energy cost savings resulting from the project. Energy cost savings are defined in 10 CFR Part 436 as "reductions in cost * * * from a base cost * * * established through a methodology set forth in a contract * * *" Further, 10 CFR 436.37 requires an annual energy audit that "shall verify the achievement of annual energy cost savings." FEMP provided detailed guidance on performing these procedures when it released the FEMP M&V Guidelines for Federal Energy Projects in 1996. The FEMP M&V Guidelines were designed to provide specific instructions to Federal users on how to apply energy savings determination procedures that are defined in the industry-wide document, the International Performance Measurement and Verification Protocol (IPMVP). In the past three years, the IPMVP has been updated to reflect lessons learned. In order to maintain consistency with the IPMVP, respond to recommendations for improvements, and add new features for Federal agency users, FEMP will release an update of the M&V Guidelines called FEMP M&V Guidelines for Federal Energy Projects, Version 2.1. The new version contains the following updates to the 1996 version: new M&V methods for cogeneration, new construction, operations and maintenance, renewables, and water conservation projects. FEMP plans to update the Guidelines on an as needed basis.