- identifying, recruiting, and providing services to families that are the most in need of family literacy services, as indicated by a low level of income, a low level of adult literacy or English language proficiency of the eligible parent or parents, and other need-related indicators;
- providing high-quality, intensive instructional programs that promote adult literacy (adult basic or secondary education or English language training) and empower parents to support the educational growth of their children (parenting education and interactive literacy-based activities between parents and their children), developmentally appropriate early childhood educational services, and preparation of children for success in regular school programs;
- providing home-based instructional services to participating parents and children;
- operating on a year-round basis, including providing both instructional and enrichment services during the summer months;
- using instructional programs based on scientifically based reading research for children and adults to the extent that research is available;
- encouraging participating families to attend regularly and to remain in the program a sufficient time to meet their program goals; and
- providing for an independent evaluation of the project to be used for program improvement.

Note: Applicants should refer to the application package for a specific description of all of the required program elements.

Staff qualifications: All instructional staff in new Even Start projects (and all new staff in existing Even Start projects) whose salaries are paid in whole or part with Federal Even Start funds must have obtained an associate's, bachelor's, or graduate degree in a field related to early childhood education, elementary or secondary school education, or adult education, and, if applicable, meet State qualifications for that respective field. For continuing Even Start projects that are applying for a second or third project period, the majority of instructional staff must meet these qualifications by December 2004 (in addition to new instructional staff meeting the qualifications immediately). Instructional staff include any staff who are hired to provide instructional services in any of the four core instructional components (early childhood education, adult basic or secondary education, parenting education, and interactive activities between parents and their children).

In addition, by December 2004, all individuals who are responsible for

administering Even Start family literacy projects and who are paid in whole or part with Federal Even Start funds must have received training in the operation of family literacy programs, and all paraprofessionals who provide support for the instructional components of an Even Start program and who are paid in whole or part with Federal Even Start funds must have a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent. (Section 1205(5), ESEA.)

Eligible participants: In general, eligible participants are families with children and their parents who meet the following qualifications specified in section 1206(a) of the ESEA:

(1) The parent or parents must be eligible for participation in adult education and literacy activities under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, be within the State's compulsory school attendance age range (in which case a local educational agency must provide or ensure the availability of the basic education component), or be attending secondary school; and

(2) The child or children must be younger than eight years of age.

National and Local Evaluations: The Department conducts a national evaluation of Even Start family literacy projects as required by section 1209 of the ESEA. Although the current national evaluation is ending in summer of 2001, a new national evaluation is scheduled to begin in fall 2002. The new national evaluation is planned to be based upon data collected from a sample of Even Start family literacy projects.

Every Even Start project must conduct an independent local evaluation for program improvement. (Section 1205(15), ESEA.) The application package includes additional information about this local evaluation, and about performance objectives and indicators that the Department encourages applicants to use when developing their proposed programs.

FOR APPLICATIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Sligh, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20202–6132. Telephone: (202) 260–0999, or via Internet: Doris.Sligh@ed.gov

The application package also is available on the Department's Web site at: www.ed.gov/GrantApps/#84.258.

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Dated: May 3, 2001. **Thomas M. Corwin,**

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

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), Hanford. 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: Thursday, June 7, 2001, 9 a.m.– 5 p.m., Friday, June 8, 2001, 8:30 a.m.– 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: West Coast hotel (formerly Cavanaugh's) 1101 North Columbia Center Boulevard Kennewick, WA (509–783–0611)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail McClure, Public Involvement Program Manager, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, P.O. Box 550 (A7–75), Richland, WA, 99352;

Phone: (509) 373–5647; Fax: (509) 376–1563.

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

Thursday, June 7, 2001

- Update on current baselines and budgets (FY2002, FY2003)—Draft advise may be introduced
- Status of the Richland Operations Office
- Status of the Office of River Protection
- Introduction of Draft Advice on Principles for Existing Hanford

Clean-up Contracts

 Adoption of Hanford Advisory Board Guidance on Roles

Responsibilities and Expectations

- Tri-Party Agreement Community Relations Plan—Process and timeline for revising the document (Advice may be proposed.)
- Environmental Assessment on Low-Level Burial Ground Trench Expansion
- Explore opportunities for ways the Board could assist DOE in examining the framework on how clean-up is done.

Friday, June 8, 2001

- Refinement and adoption of draft advice
 - Issue Manager Updates
 - Spent Fuel
 - Hanford Draft Stewardship Plan
 - B-Reactor
- Tank Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
- Groundwater Roadmap Roundtable
- Site-Specific Advisory Board Letter to the Secretary
 - Offsite-Waste
- Identification of Agenda Topics for September Board Meeting

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gail McClure's office 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 equal time to present their comments.

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 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday–Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Gail McClure, Department of Energy Richland Operation Office, P.O. Box 550, Richland, WA 99352, or by calling her at (509) 373–5647.

Issued at Washington, DC on May 4, 2001. **Rachel M. Samuel,**

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-1302-000]

American Ref-Fuel Company of Niagara, L.P.; Notice of Issuance of Order

May 3, 2001.

American Ref-Fuel Company of Niagara, L.P. (American Reg-Fuel) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which American Ref-Fuel will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. American Ref-Fuel also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, American Ref-Fuel also requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by American Ref-Fuel.

On April 12, 2001, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, granted requests for blanket approval under part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by American Ref-Fuel should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request to be heard in opposition within this period, American

Ref-Fuel is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of American Ref-Fuel's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is May 14, 2001.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the Internet at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-1071-000 and ER01-1071-001]

Badger Windpower, LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

May 3, 2001.

Badger Windpower, LLC (Badger) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Badger will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. Badger also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Badger requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Badger.

On April 12, 2001, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates,