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Dated: September 5, 2002.

John D. Tressler,

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

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Final Reporting Forms for FIPSE International Consortia Programs.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 40.

Burden Hours: 240.

Abstract: Protocols for final performance reports for the European Community-US Higher Education Program, the US-Brazil Higher Education Consortia Program and the Program for North American Mobility in Higher Education are necessary to assure the quality of program management and progress toward meeting performance objectives which include student learning, encouraging international cooperation, and partnerships among higher education institutions in the U.S. and abroad.

Requests for copies of the submission for OMB review; comment request may

be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 1947. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address vivan.reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the e-mail address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart 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 EDUCATION

[CFDA No.: 84.129E, 84.129F, 84.129H, 84.129L, 84.129P, 84.129Q, 84.129R]

Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training

ACTION: Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2003.

Purpose of Program: The Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program provides financial assistance for—

(1) Projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Assistant Secretary;

(2) Projects that provide a specified series of courses or program of study leading to award of a certificate in areas

of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Assistant Secretary; and

(3) Projects that provide support for medical residents enrolled in residency training programs in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Eligible Applicants: State agencies and other public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes and institutions of higher education, are eligible for assistance under the Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program.

Applications Available: September 10, 2002.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: October 25, 2002.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: December 24, 2002.

Estimated Available Funds: The Administration has requested \$42,629,000 for the Rehabilitation Training program for FY 2003, of which an estimated \$2,725,000 would be allocated for this competition. The actual level of funding, if any, depends on final congressional action. However, we are inviting applications to allow enough time to complete the grant process if Congress appropriates funds for this program.

Note: This competition is being announced in FY 2002 for grants that will be awarded using FY 2003 funds.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$75,000 to \$100,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$100,000.

Estimated Total Number of Awards: 31.

Maximum Number of Awards, Maximum Level of Awards, and Absolute Priorities: The maximum number of awards to be made are listed in parentheses following each priority area. We will reject any application that proposes a budget exceeding the amount listed under maximum level of award in any project year.

CFDA Nos.	Priority area (maximum number of awards in parentheses)	Maximum level of award
84.129E	Rehabilitation Technology (4)	\$100,000
84.129F	Vocational Evaluation and Work Adjustment (4)	100,000
84.129H	Rehabilitation of Individuals Who Are Mentally Ill (3)	100,000
84.129L	Undergraduate Education in the Rehabilitation Services (8)	75,000
84.129P	Specialized Personnel for Rehabilitation of Individuals Who are Blind or Have Vision Impairment (7).	100,000
84.129Q	Rehabilitation of Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (5)	100,000
84.129R	Job Development and Job Placement Services to Individuals With Disabilities (5)	100,000

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 60 months.

Page Limit: Part III of the application, the application narrative, is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate your application. You must limit Part III to the equivalent of no more than 35 pages, using the following standards:

- A "page" is 8.5" x 11", on one side only, with 1" margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.
- Double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions, as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.

- Use a font that is either 12-point or larger or no smaller than 10 pitch (characters per inch).

The page limit does not apply to Part I, the cover sheet, Part II, the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; Part IV, the assurances and certifications; or the one-page abstract, the resumes, the bibliography, or the letters of support. However, you must include all of the application narrative in Part III.

We will reject your application if—

- You apply these standards and exceed the page limit; or
- You apply other standards and exceed the equivalent of the page limit.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, and 99. (b) The regulations in 34 CFR parts 385 and 386.

Note: The regulations in 34 CFR part 79 apply to all applicants except federally recognized Indian tribes.

Note: The regulations in 34 CFR part 86 apply to institutions of higher education only.

Selection Criteria: In evaluating an application for a new grant under this competition, we use the selection criteria in 34 CFR 385.31 and 386.20. The selection criteria to be used for this competition will be provided in the application package for this competition.

Priorities: This competition focuses on projects designed to meet the priorities in the regulations for this program (34 CFR 386.1). The priority areas of personnel shortage are listed in the chart published in this notice.

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) and 34 CFR 386.1, we consider only applications that provide training in the areas of personnel shortage listed in the chart.

Application Procedures:

Note: Some of the procedures in these instructions for transmitting applications differ from those in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) (74 CFR 75.102). Under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553), the Department generally offers interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed regulations. However, these amendments make procedural changes only and do not establish new substantive policy. Therefore, under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), the Secretary has determined that proposed rulemaking is not required.

Pilot Project for Electronic Submission of Applications

The U.S. Department of Education is continuing to expand its pilot project of electronic submission of applications to include additional formula grant programs and additional discretionary grant competitions. The Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program, CFDA 84.129, is one of the programs included in the pilot project. If you are an applicant under the Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program, you may submit your application to us in either electronic or paper format.

The pilot project involves the use of the Electronic Grant Application System (e-APPLICATION, formerly e-GAPS) portion of the Grant Administration and Payment System (GAPS). We request your participation in this pilot project. We shall continue to evaluate its success and solicit suggestions for improvement.

If you participate in this e-APPLICATION pilot, please note the following:

- Your participation is voluntary.
- You will not receive any additional point value or penalty because you submit a grant application in electronic or paper format.
- You can submit all documents electronically, including the Application for Federal Assistance (ED 424), Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED 524), and all necessary assurances and certifications.
- Within 3 working days of submitting your electronic application, fax a signed copy of the Application for Federal Assistance (ED 424) to the Application Control Center following these steps:

1. Print ED 424 from the e-APPLICATION system.
2. Make sure that the institution's Authorizing Representative signs this form.
3. Before faxing this form, submit your electronic application via the e-

APPLICATION system. You will receive an automatic acknowledgement, which will include a PR/Award number (an identifying number unique to your application).

4. Place the PR/Award number in the upper right corner of ED 424.

5. Fax ED 424 to the Application Control Center at (202) 260-1349.

- We may request that you give us original signatures on all other forms at a later date.

You may access the electronic grant application for the Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program at: <http://e-grants.ed.gov>.

We have included additional information about the e-APPLICATION pilot project (see *Parity Guidelines between Paper and Electronic Applications*) in the application package.

Please note that due to the Department's end of the fiscal year close out activities, the e-APPLICATION system will be unavailable from October 1 through October 5. It will become available for users again on Monday, October 7.

For Applications Contact: Education Publications Center (ED Pubs), P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398. Telephone (toll free): 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (301) 470-1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll free): 1-877-576-7734.

You may also contact ED Pubs via its Web site: <http://www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html>.

Or you may contact ED Pubs at its e-mail address: edpubs@inet.ed.gov.

If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this competition as follows: CFDA number 84.129E, F, H, L, P, Q, or R.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Chesley, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., (Room 3318, Switzer Building), Washington, DC 20202-2649. Telephone (202) 205-9481 or via Internet: Ellen.Chesley@ed.gov.

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Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternative format by contacting

the Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 205-8207. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternative format the standard forms included in the application package.

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Dated: September 4, 2002.

Loretta Petty Chittum,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Electricity Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Department of Energy's Electricity Advisory Board. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. The purpose of the meeting is to review and discuss Draft Reports by the Electricity Advisory Board's Subcommittee on Transmission Grid Solutions and the Subcommittee on Electricity Resources Capitalization Concerns. **Note:** Copies of the two subcommittee's draft reports may be obtained from the following internet address <http://www.eab.energy.gov> or by

contacting the Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board at (202) 586-7092.

NAME: Electricity Advisory Board.

DATES AND TIMES: Friday, September 20, 2002, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Eastern.

ADDRESSES: The second public meeting of the Electricity Advisory Board (EAB) will be held at the Regent Wall Street Hotel, 55 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005. The meeting will be held in the hotel's Mezzanine of the Ballroom from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Craig R. Reed, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7092 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Electricity Advisory Board was chartered to provide the Secretary of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on electricity policy issues of importance to the Department of Energy. The Electricity Advisory Board is to provide timely, balanced, and authoritative advice to the Secretary of Energy on the Department's electricity programs; current and future capacity of the electricity system; issues related to production, reliability and utility restructuring; and coordination between the Department of Energy and state and regional officials and the private sector on matters affecting electricity supply and reliability.

Tentative Agenda

The agenda for the September 20, 2002 meeting has not been finalized. The following is a tentative agenda:

Morning Session

- 9-9:15 Introduction/Welcome
- 9:15-10:45 Transmission Grid Solutions Subcommittee Draft Report
- *Brief presentation, public comments, and Board discussion
- 10:45-12 Electric Resources Capitalization Concerns Subcommittee Draft Report
- *Brief presentation, public comments, and Board discussion
- 12-1:15 Luncheon Break

Afternoon Session

- 1:15-1:30 Formation of Subcommittee on Corporate Governance and Practices
- 1:30-2:40 Guest Panelists on Corporate Governance and Practices
- 2:40-3:25 Board Discussion on Corporate Governance and Practices
- 3:25-4 Member Final Observations

and Wrap-Up

Public Participation: During its meeting in New York City, the Electricity Advisory Board welcomes public comment. In keeping with procedures, members of the public may observe the business of the Electricity Advisory Board and submit written comments or comment in person during the scheduled public comment period. Members of the public wishing to comment on the two Draft Reports at the Electricity Advisory Board meeting are required to preregister by submitting a request by e-mail, fax, or mail. Preregistration will help to determine how much time to allot each speaker in light of the time constraints of this meeting of the Electricity Advisory Board. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they preregister. All requests for public comment preregistration must be received no later than Monday, September 16th at 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time and should include (1) the name of the person who will make public comments, (2) his/her association or business, if any; and (3) if possible, a summary of the proposed comments. Please send preregistration requests to one of the following locations:

1. E-Mail to samuel.lahood@hq.doe.gov;
2. Facsimile to (202) 586-6279 as a fax; or
3. Mail to Dr. Craig R. Reed, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. **Note:** Due to mail delays, persons wishing to preregister for public comment are encouraged to fax or e-mail their requests.

Persons who fail to preregister for public comments may sign up at the meeting, but such later requests will only be allotted a portion of whatever time remains following the preregistered public comments. The Chairman of the Electricity Advisory Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. The Electricity Advisory Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties.

Written comments on either of the Subcommittee's Draft Reports may be submitted to one of the following locations:

4. E-Mail to samuel.lahood@hq.doe.gov;
5. Facsimile to (202) 586-6279; or
6. Mail to Dr. Craig R. Reed, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory