

November 18:

Nominations Committee: Closed

Session—8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Full Board: Open Session—9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Location: The Ritz-Carlton Tysons Corner, 1700 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, VA 22102.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Munira Mwalimu, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Suite 825, Washington, DC 20002-4233, Telephone: (202) 357-6938.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Assessment Governing Board is established under section 412 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994, as amended.

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The Board's responsibilities include selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment objectives, developing appropriate student achievement levels for each grade and subject tested, developing guidelines for reporting and disseminating results, and developing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons.

The Assessment Development Committee will meet in closed session on November 16 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. (two hours) to review secure topics for proposed 2009 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) science interactive computer tasks at grades 4, 8, and 12. The meeting must be conducted in closed session as disclosure of secure interactive computer tasks on the NAEP Science Assessment would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP program, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The Executive Committee will meet in open session on November 16 from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and will meet in closed session from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Committee will receive independent government cost estimates from the National Center for Education Statistics for proposed contracts for item development, sample selection, analysis, and reporting of NAEP testing for 2008–2012, and their implications on future NAEP activities. The discussion of independent government cost estimates prior to the development of the Request for Proposals for NAEP contracts covering assessment years 2008–2012 is necessary for ensuring that NAEP contracts meet congressionally mandated goals and adhere to Board policies on NAEP assessments. This part of the meeting must be conducted in

closed session because public disclosure of this information would likely have an adverse financial effect on the NAEP program and will provide an advantage to potential bidders attending the meeting. The discussion of this information would be likely to significantly impede implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On November 17, the full Board will meet in open session from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. From 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. the Board will approve the agenda which will be followed by the Oath of Office ceremony for new Board members. The Board will receive the Executive Director's report and hear an update on the work of the National Center for Education Statistics.

From 9:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on November 17, the Board's standing committees—the Assessment Development Committee; the Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology; and the Reporting and Dissemination Committee—will meet in open sessions.

On November 17, the full Board will meet in closed session from 12:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. The Board membership will be briefed by the Associate Commissioner of the National Center for Education Statistics on secure national student achievement data related to two upcoming NAEP 12th grade reports. The Governing Board will be provided with embargoed data from the 2005 Mathematics and Reading Assessments in grade 12 and the 2005 High School Transcript Study, which includes findings from the 2005 12th grade Mathematics and Science Assessments. These data constitute the major basis for the initial public release of The Nation's Report Card, and cannot be discussed in an open meeting prior to the official release of these two reports. The meeting must therefore be conducted in closed session as disclosure of data would significantly impede implementation of The Nation's Report Card initial release activities, as protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On November 17 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. the Board will receive a report from the Commission on the Future of Higher Education. This session will be followed by an update on the NAEP Writing Framework project from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. From 4 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Board members will receive an ethics briefing from the Office of General Counsel, upon which the November 17 session of the Board meeting will conclude.

The Nominations Committee will meet in closed session on November 18 from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. to review and discuss confidential information regarding nominees received for Board vacancies for terms beginning on October 1, 2007. This discussion pertains solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

From 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., the full Board will meet in open session. The full Board will receive a briefing on setting achievement levels from 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Board actions on policies and Committee reports are scheduled to take place between 10:30 a.m. and 12 p.m., upon which the November 18, 2006 session of the Board meeting will adjourn.

Detailed minutes of the meeting, including summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters that are informative to the policies and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Dated: October 18, 2006.

Charles E. Smith,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada

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), Nevada Test Site. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, November 8, 2006, 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: 7710 West Cheyenne Avenue, Conference Room # 130, Las Vegas, Nevada.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kelly Snyder, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, P.O. Box 98518, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193. Phone: (702) 295-2836; E-mail: snyderk@nv.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda: Approval of recommendations for changes to four fact sheets used by the Department of Energy and committee updates.

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 presentations pertaining to agenda items should contact Kelly Snyder at the telephone number listed above. The request 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. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the U.S. Department of Energy's 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 through Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Kelly Snyder at the address listed above.

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

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), Oak Ridge Reservation. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, November 8, 2006, 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: DOE Information Center, 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Halsey, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 576-4025; Fax (865) 576-5333 or e-mail: halseypj@oro.doe.gov or check the Web site at <http://www.oakridge.doe.gov/em/ssab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda: The presentation topic will be an Environmental Management Program Update.

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 the agenda item should contact Pat Halsey 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. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Department of Energy's Information Center at 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by writing to Pat Halsey, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, or by calling her at (865) 576-4025.

Issued at Washington, DC, on October 18, 2006.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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CalPeak Power LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

October 16, 2006.

CalPeak Power LLC (CalPeak Power) filed an application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying tariff. The proposed market-based rate tariff provides for the sale of energy, capacity and ancillary services at market-based rates. CalPeak Power also requested waivers of various Commission regulations. In particular, CalPeak Power requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by CalPeak Power.

On October 11, 2006, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Tariffs and Market Development—West, granted the requests for blanket approval under Part 34. The Director's order also stated that the Commission would publish a separate notice in the **Federal Register** establishing a period of time for the filing of protests. Accordingly, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approvals of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by CalPeak Power 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, 385.214 (2004).

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protest is November 13, 2006.

Absent a request to be heard in opposition by the deadline above, CalPeak Power 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 CalPeak Power, 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 approvals of CalPeak Power's issuance of securities or assumptions of liability.