

recovered under ACN: 01-932025 were available for expenditure until September 30, 1996. The funds recovered under ACN: 01-93245 and ACN: 01-13035 are available for expenditure until September 30, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William D. Tyrrell, Sr., U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 3609 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-6132. Telephone (202) 205-8825. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday. Internet: William\_Tyrrell@ed.gov

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers: 84.027 Handicapped State Grants; 84.012 Educationally Deprived Children; and 84.011 Chapter I—Migrant Education)

Dated: October 11, 1996.

Howard R. Moses,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation Policy

#### Proposed Subsequent Arrangement

**AGENCY:** Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation Policy; Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Subsequent arrangement.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2160), notice is hereby given of a proposed "subsequent arrangement" under the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada concerning Civil Uses of Atomic Energy, as amended.

The subsequent arrangement to be carried out under the above-mentioned agreement involves approval of the following sale: Contract Number S-CA-454, for the sale of 4 grams of plutonium, enriched to 99.75% in the isotope plutonium-239, to the AECL Chalk River Laboratories in Canada for use in chemical research associated with reactor development and waste management.

In accordance with section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, it has been determined that this subsequent arrangement will not be inimical to the common defense and security. This subsequent arrangement

will take effect no sooner than fifteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: October 10, 1996.

For the Department of Energy.

Cherie P. Fitzgerald,

*Director, International Policy and Analysis Division, Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation.*

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#### Proposed Subsequent Arrangement

**AGENCY:** Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation Policy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Subsequent Arrangement.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2160), notice is hereby given of a proposed "subsequent arrangement" under the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Japan concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy.

The subsequent arrangement to be carried out under the above-mentioned agreement involves approval of the following sale: Contract number S-JA-466 for the sale of 8 kilograms of lithium-6 (enriched to 95-96%), in the form of lithium carbonate to the Japan Radioisotope Association for use as thermal neutron shielding material in neutron capture therapy and for biomedical use.

In accordance with section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, it has been determined that this subsequent arrangement will not be inimical to the common defense and security. This subsequent arrangement will take effect no sooner than fifteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: October 10, 1996

For the Department of Energy.

Cherie P. Fitzgerald,

*Director, International Policy and Analysis Division, Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation.*

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#### Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Nevada Test Site and Off-Site Locations in the State of Nevada

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) announces the availability of the

Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) for the Nevada Test Site (NTS) and Off-Site Locations in the State of Nevada (DOE/EIS-0243).

**DATES:** DOE intends to issue a Record of Decision on the NTS no sooner than 30 days from the date the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Notice of Availability appears in the Federal Register.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for a copy of the NTS Final EIS or its Summary should be directed to: Bob Golden, NEPA Compliance Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Nevada Operations Office, P.O. Box 98518, Las Vegas, NV 89193-8518, phone (702) 295-4652 or by calling the Nevada Test Site EIS Hotline, 1-800-405-1140. Copies of the Final EIS will also be available in Reading Rooms listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on the Department's NEPA process, please contact: Ms. Carol Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC, 20585, 202-586-4600, or leave a message at 1-800-472-2756.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This sitewide EIS evaluates the potential environmental impacts of four possible use alternatives being considered for the Nevada Test Site (NTS), the Tonopah Test Range, and the formerly operated DOE sites in the State of Nevada: the Project Shoal Area, the Central Nevada Test Area, and portions of the Nellis Air Force Range Complex. Three additional sites in Nevada—Coyote Spring Valley, Dry Lake Valley and Eldorado Valley—are evaluated for collocation of solar energy production facilities. The four alternatives include: No Action (Alternative 1)—continue to operate at the level maintained for the past 5 years; Discontinue Operations (Alternative 2)—discontinue operations and interagency programs and close the site; Expanded Use (Alternative 3)—maximize use of NTS and its resources to support defense and nondefense programs; and Alternate Use of Withdrawn Lands (Alternative 4)—discontinue all defense-related activities at NTS; continue waste management operations in support of NTS environmental restoration efforts; expand nondefense research.

The Department's preferred alternative includes the activities described in the Expanded Use alternative (Alternative 3) plus the educational activities described in Alternative 4. For purposes of providing a bounding analysis in the EIS,

Alternative 3 evaluates the impacts resulting from the maximum potential activities identified for the Nevada Test Site. However, the Department has identified in other EISs that the Nevada Test Site is not the preferred site for the proposed National Ignition Facility, the interim storage of plutonium pits, or weapons assembly/disassembly operations. Accordingly, the preferred alternative in this EIS does not include these activities, even though their impacts are included in Alternative 3. The preferred alternative is the most comprehensive alternative in supporting statutory mission responsibilities while providing for a diversification of use to include nondefense, interagency, public and private uses of the resources and capabilities available.

Environmental impacts were assessed for each alternative by analyzing, to the extent possible, the discrete and cumulative environmental impacts associated with defense, waste management, environmental restoration, nondefense research and development, and work for others programs.

The preparation of this EIS required the participation of several federal agencies, including the Department of Defense (Air Force and Defense Nuclear Agency), and the Department of the Interior (Bureau of Land Management and Fish and Wildlife Service), along with Nye County, Nevada.

Copies of the Final EIS will be available in Reading Rooms at the following locations:

1. DOE Public Reading Facility, 2621 Losee Road, Bldg B-3, North Las Vegas, NV 89030
2. Carson City Public Library, 900 N. Roop Street, Carson City, NV 89701
3. Doris Shirkey Library, 2101 E. Calvada Blvd., Pahrump, NV 89041
4. University of Nevada, Reno, Noble H. Getchell Library, Reno, NV 89557
5. Freedom of Information Reading Room, Forrestal Bldg, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585
6. Las Vegas Public Library, 833 N. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89101
7. Tonopah Public Library, 171 Central Street, Tonopah, NV 89049
8. Caliente Branch Library, 100 Depot Avenue, Caliente, NV 89008
9. University of Nevada, Las Vegas, James Dickenson Library, 4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154
10. Fallon Public Library, Churchill County Library, 553 S. Main, Fallon, NV 89406-3387
11. Washington County Library, 50 S. Main, St. George, UT 84770
12. Goldfield Library, P.O. Box 430, Goldfield, NV 89013

13. Silver Peak Library, P.O. Box 128, Silver Peak, NV 89047
14. Community College of Southern Nevada, Henderson Campus, Library Reading Room, 700 College Drive, Henderson, NV 89015
15. Amargosa Valley Community Library, HRC 69, Amargosa Valley, NV 89020-9701
16. White Pine Library, 950 Campton, Ely, NV 89301
17. Dyer Public Library, P.O. Box 105, Dyer, NV 89010
18. Community College of Southern Nevada, Cheyenne Campus, 3200 E. Cheyenne, Las Vegas, NV 89117
19. Community College of Southern Nevada, West Charleston Campus, Library Reading Room, 6375 W. Charleston Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89102

Issued in Washington, DC, this 10th day of October, 1996.

James C. Landers,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs.*

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#### **Announcement of Program Opportunity Notice (PON); In Support of the Gas Utilization/Gas-to-Liquids Program**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center (PETC).

**ACTION:** Issuance of Program Opportunity Notice (PON).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center (PETC) announces that pursuant to 10 CFR 600.8 (a)(2), and in support of the Gas Utilization/Gas-to-Liquids Program, it intends to issue a competitive financial assistance solicitation No. DE-PS22-96PC96052 leading to the selection and award of a cost-shared cooperative agreement to a qualified recipient. Applications will be subjected to a comparative merit review by a DOE technical panel, and one award will be made on the basis of the scientific merit of the application, utilization of relevant program policy factors, and the availability of funds. The solicitation is expected to be available on or about October 21, 1996. The solicitation will be provided electronically, using WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows, or on paper.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** U.S. Department of Energy, Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center, P.O. Box 10940, MS 921-143, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. Attn: John N. Augustine. Telephone: (412) 892-4524. FAX: (412)

892-6216. E-mail: augustin@petc.doe.gov

The solicitation will be posted on the internet at PETC's Home Page (<http://www.petc.doe.gov>). Requests for disk versions of the solicitation (3.5", double-sided/high-density) may be made via letter, FAX, or e-mail. Paper copies can be made available upon request. TELEPHONE REQUESTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY VERSION OF THE SOLICITATION.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Solicitation Number:* DE-PS22-96PC96052.

*Title of Solicitation:* "Engineering Development of Ceramic Membranes Reactor Systems for Converting Natural Gas to Synthesis Gas and Hydrogen".

*Objective:* The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Pittsburgh Energy Technology Center (PETC) is interested in pursuing cost-shared research, development, and demonstration in the area of "Engineering Development of Ceramic Membrane Reactor Systems for the Conversion of Natural Gas to Synthesis Gas and Hydrogen." The purpose of this proposed action is to solicit applications to advance the current state-of-the-art of ceramic membranes for the conversion of natural gas to synthesis gas (a mixture of carbon monoxide and hydrogen) and hydrogen to commercial readiness. The membrane-based technology is envisioned to couple air separation and methane partial oxidation into a single process step to be followed either by conversion of the synthesis gas to transportation fuels or the production of hydrogen. The goal of the proposed effort is to develop and demonstrate the technical, economic, and commercial feasibility of the membrane-based technology for the utilization of domestic remote natural gas, such as that found in Alaska, by 2008. A multi-budget period, multi-task approach to the development of the technology is sought, with decision points at critical junctures. Budget Period 1 will encompass ceramic material development, selection, and characterization, membrane/reactor module fabrication, seal and manifolding technology development, bench-scale process performance evaluations, and engineering and economic analyses. Budget Period 2 will involve the scale-up of the technology to an engineering prototype unit to demonstrate an integrated process, to obtain process engineering data, to validate design concepts, and to provide additional data to refine prior engineering and economic evaluations. Engineering models that represent the