

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming teleconference of the Achievement Levels Committee of the National Assessment Governing Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Date: July 22, 1998.

Time: 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Location: National Assessment Governing Board, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Ann Wilmer, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 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 (Title IV of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994), (Pub. L. 103-382).

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress. The Board is responsible for selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment objectives, identifying appropriate achievement goals for each grade and subject tested, and establishing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons. Under P.L. 105-78, the National Assessment Governing Board is also granted exclusive authority over developing Voluntary National Tests pursuant to contract number RJ97153001.

On July 22, in open session, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the Achievement Levels Committee will meet to consider the revised achievement levels descriptions for writing for the purpose of formulating a recommendation for action on this matter at the next quarterly meeting of the Board.

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, N.W., Washington, D.C., from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Roy Truby,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford Site

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford Site.

DATES: Thursday, August 6, 1998: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Friday, August 7, 1998: 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Ridpath Hotel, W. 515 Sprague, Spokane, WA 99204-0367.

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; Ph: (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: The Board will receive information on and discuss issues related to the Groundwater/Vadose Zone Project—overview, program objectives, schedule and regulatory perspectives; Tank Waste Remediation System (TWRS); TWRS Vitrification/Privatization—Report to Congress; Technical Issues; Compliance Issues; Contractual Issues; Intersite Discussion Workshops; and the Proposed SSAB Low-Level Waste Forum. The Board will also receive update on the Spent Fuel Tri-Party Agreement Negotiations (M-34).

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee 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 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The 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 a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments near the beginning of the meeting.

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 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Gail McClure, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, P.O. Box 550, Richland, WA 99352, or by calling him at (509) 376-9628.

Issued at Washington, DC on June 28, 1998.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC).

DATES: Wednesday, July 29, 1998—8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.; Thursday, July 30, 1998—8:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Lake; Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee; U. S. Department of Energy; ER-10, GTN; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, MD 20874-1290; Telephone: (301) 903-5565.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The Committee will provide advice and guidance with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

- Introduction to Basic Energy Sciences (BES) for the New Committee Members with Selected Highlights.
- Update on the Fiscal Year (FY) 1999 Budget.
- ER Strategic Simulation Initiative Update.
- BESAC High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR) Review Update.
- BESAC 4th Generation Light Source Panel Update.
- BESAC/Energy Research (ER) Roadmapping—Complexity.

- ER Roadmapping Activities—The Scientific User Facilities.
- Interagency Efforts on Scientific User Facilities.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in her judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Patricia Lake at the address or telephone number listed above.

Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation on the agenda. Public comment will follow the 10 minute rule.

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, S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20585; between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on June 29, 1998.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

High Energy Physics Advisory Panel; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the High Energy Physics Advisory Panel.

DATES: Monday, August 24, 1998; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Tuesday, August 25, 1998; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: University of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Center Guest House (a.k.a. Lowell Hall), Room B1A, 610 Langdon Street, Madison, Wisconsin 53703.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Metzler; Executive Secretary, High Energy Physics Advisory Panel; U.S. Department of Energy; ER-20, Germantown, Maryland 20874; Telephone: (301) 903-2979.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis with respect to the high energy physics research program.

Tentative Agenda

Monday, August 24, 1998 and Tuesday, August 25, 1998:

Discussion of Department of Energy High Energy Physics Programs
Discussion of National Science Foundation Elementary Particle Physics Program

Discussion of High Energy Physics University Programs

Reports on and Discussion of the Use of Computer Networks in High Energy Physics

Reports on and Discussion of U.S. Large Hadron Collider Activities
Reports on and Discussions of Topics of General Interest in High Energy Physics

Public Comment (10 minute rule)

Public Participation: The two-day meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the Panel is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in his judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact the Executive Secretary at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation on the agenda.

Minutes: Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, Room 1E-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

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ES98-35-000]

Northwestern Corporation; Notice of Application

June 26, 1998.

Take notice that on June 11, 1998, Northwestern Corporation submitted an application under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act for authorization to issue (i) not more than 11,100,000 shares of its Common Stock, par value \$1.75 per share, including related Common Stock Purchase Rights; (ii) not

more than 500,000 shares of its Cumulative Preferred Stock, par value \$100 per share; (iii) not more than 500,000 shares of its Preferred Stock, par value \$50 per share; and (iv) not more than \$300 million of its mortgage bonds, notes, debentures, subordinated debentures, guarantees or other evidences of indebtedness.

Northwestern also requests an exemption from the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated offer requirements of 18 CFR 34.2.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, according to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before July 13, 1998. Protests will be considered by the commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-628-000]

Sea Robin Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

June 26, 1998.

Take notice that on June 19, 1998, Sea Robin Pipeline Company (Sea Robin), Post Office Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563, filed in Docket No. CP98-628-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Sections 157.5 through 157.13 and 157.18 of the Commission's Regulations, to abandon two compressor units and appurtenant facilities, one of which is located in Vermillion Parish, Louisiana, and the other located offshore Louisiana, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Sea Robin proposes to abandon: (1) one of three 10,830 horsepower reciprocating compressor units and appurtenant facilities at its Erath Compressor Station (Erath); and