

1. American Academy for Liberal Education
2. American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
3. American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar
4. American Osteopathic Association, Bureau of Professional Education
5. American Podiatric Medical Association
6. Council on Naturopathic Medical Education
7. Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education
8. National Accreditation Commission for Schools and Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine
9. National Accrediting Commission of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences
10. National Association of Schools of Dance
11. National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
12. New York State Board of Regents

*State Agencies Recognized for the Approval of Public Postsecondary Vocational Education*

Petition for Renewal of Recognition

1. Oklahoma State Board of Regents for Higher Education.

Interim Report

1. New York State Board of Regents (Vocational Education Unit).

*State Agencies Recognized for the Approval of Nurse Education*

Interim Report

1. New York State Board of Regents (Nursing Education Unit).

In accordance with the Federal policy governing the granting of academic degrees by Federal agencies (approved by a letter from the Director, Bureau of the Budget, to the Secretary, Health, Education, and Welfare, dated December 23, 1954), the Secretary is required to establish a review committee to advise the Secretary concerning any legislation that may be proposed that would authorize the granting of degrees by a Federal agency. The review committee forwards its recommendation concerning a Federal agency's proposed degree-granting authority to the Secretary, who then forwards that committee's recommendation and the Secretary's recommendation to the Office of Management and Budget for review and transmittal to the Congress. The Secretary uses the Advisory Committee as the review committee required for this purpose. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee will review the following institution at this meeting.

*Proposed Bachelor's Degree-Granting Authority*

1. Joint Military Intelligence College, Bolling Air Force Base (for Bachelor of Science in Intelligence).

A request for comments on all agencies whose petitions, interim reports, and request for degree-granting authority are being reviewed during this meeting was published in the Federal Register dated July 9, 1996.

This notice invites third-party oral presentations before the Advisory Committee. It does not constitute another call for written comment. Requests for oral presentation before the Advisory Committee should be submitted in writing to Ms. Sperry at the address above by October 30, 1996. Requests should include the names of all persons seeking an appearance, the organization(s) they represent, and a brief summary of the principal points to be made during the oral presentation. Presenters are requested not to distribute written materials at the meeting. Any written materials presenters may wish to give to the Advisory Committee must be submitted to Ms. Sperry by October 30, 1996 (one original and 25 copies). Only documents presenters submit by that date will be considered by the Advisory Committee.

At the conclusion of the meeting, attendees may, at the discretion of the Committee chair, be invited to address the Committee briefly on issues pertaining to the functions of the Committee, as identified in the section above on Supplementary Information. Attendees interested in making such comments should inform Ms. Sperry before or during the meeting.

A record will be made of the proceedings of the meeting and will be available for public inspection at the Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 7th and D Streets SW., Room 3905, ROB 3, Washington, DC, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Authority: 5 U.S.C.A. Appendix 2.

David A. Longanecker,

*Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.*

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**National Library of Education Advisory Task Force Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Library of Education Advisory Task Force, Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda for the

fourth meeting of the National Library of Education Advisory Task Force (Task Force). This notice also describes the functions of the Task Force. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend.

**DATES AND TIME:** October 30, 1996, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; October 31, 1996, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; November 1, 1996, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** University Library, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** E. Stephen Hunt, National Library of Education, 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20208-5523. Telephone: (202) 219-1882; FAX: (202) 219-1970.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Library of Education Advisory Task Force is authorized by Part E, Section 951(h) of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Task Force prepares a set of recommendations on the establishment and development of the National Library of Education for presentation to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement.

The meeting of the Task Force is open to the public. The agenda for October 30-November 2, 1996 includes the adoption of the Task Force Report and planning for marketing the Report.

A final agenda will be available from the offices of the National Library of Education on October 14, 1996.

Records are kept of all Task Force proceedings, and are available for public inspection at the central office of the National Library of Education, 555 New Jersey Ave., NW., Washington, D.C. 20208-5523 between the hours of 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Sharon P. Robinson,

*Assistant Secretary, Office of Educational Research and Improvement.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Notice of Program Interest—Research and Development to Develop Advanced Materials for Low Emissions, High Efficiency Diesel Engine Components**

**AGENCY:** Oak Ridge Operations Office, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Program Interest—Research and Development to Develop Advanced Materials for Low Emissions,

## High Efficiency Diesel Engine Components.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the Department of Energy's interest in receiving unsolicited applications for a cooperative agreement for research and development on advanced materials as enabling technology for the design and development of components for low emissions, high efficiency diesel engines. The Office of Transportation Technologies, Office of Heavy Vehicle Technologies (OTT OHVT) has an active program to develop by 2001 the technology for advanced LE-55 diesel engines with 55 percent efficiency and low emissions levels of 2.0g/bhp-hr NO<sub>x</sub> and 0.05 g/bhp-hr particulates. The goal of this program is to develop advanced material applications in diesel engine components to enable the design of cleaner, more efficient engines. The goal is also for the LE-55 engine to run on natural gas with efficiency approaching that of diesel fuel. OTT OHVT also recognizes a significant opportunity for reduction in petroleum consumption by dieselization of pickup trucks, vans, and sport utility vehicles. Application of the diesel engine to class 1, 2, and 3 trucks is expected to yield a 35% increase in fuel economy per vehicle. The foremost barrier to diesel use in this market is emission control. Once an engine is made certifiable, subsequent challenges will be in cost; noise, vibration, and harshness (NVH); and performance. The design of advanced components for high efficiency diesel engines has, in some cases, pushed the performance envelope for materials of construction past the point of reliable operation. Higher mechanical and tribological stresses and higher temperatures of advanced designs limit the engine designer; advanced materials allow the design of components that may operate reliably at higher stresses and temperatures, thus enabling more efficient engine designs. Advanced materials also offer the opportunity to improve the emissions, NVH and performance of diesel engines for pickup trucks, vans, and sport utility vehicles.

**DATES:** This notice expires at 4:00 p.m. EDT on October 14, 1996, and applications may be submitted at any time prior to the expiration date.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit five (5) copies of the application prior to the expiration date of this notice to: U.S. Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Operations Office, Procurement and Contracts Division, Environmental Acquisitions Branch, P.O. Box 2001, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-8758, Attn: Karen Stanford Shears,

Contract Specialist, telephone (423) 241-6411.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mary Rawlins, DOE Oak Ridge Operations Office, telephone: 423-576-4507; or Robert Schulz, DOE Headquarters, telephone 202-586-8051.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Controlling the increasing consumption of petroleum is an important national concern. The U.S. heavy duty transport sector consumes more than 27 percent of U.S. transportation energy and is heavily dependent on petroleum-based fuels, primarily No. 2 diesel fuel. Heavy duty transport is second only to automobiles in use of petroleum. Energy use by heavy duty transport modes has increased steadily since the early 1970s, despite significant gains in diesel engine efficiency. Diesel engines are highly efficient and, when operating on diesel fuel, have low CO<sub>2</sub>, CO and hydrocarbon emissions. However, diesel engines are major emitters of oxides of nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) and particulate matter. Overall, the heavy duty transport sector is responsible for a substantial share of U.S. transportation emissions—54 percent of NO<sub>x</sub> and 47 percent of particulate matter.

The light truck market segment, classes 1-3, has grown from 23% of the domestic light duty vehicle sales in 1984 to over 42% in 1995 representing a substantial influx of low fuel economy vehicles into the public and private fleets. This trend could increase the U.S. dependence on foreign petroleum even beyond the current projections. Application of diesel engines to light trucks could result in fuel savings per vehicle of 35% or more if modern, high-efficiency diesel technology is utilized. Diesels with efficiencies of 39-42% would replace gasoline engines that achieve less than 30% efficiency over much of their operating range.

Several substantial technical barriers must be resolved before diesels can or will be used extensively in this class of vehicle, including emissions, NVH, and cost. Advanced materials may offer a solution to these barriers. The goal of this program is to develop advanced material applications in diesel engine components to enable the design of cleaner, more efficient engines. Advanced materials may include ceramics, intermetallic alloys, advanced metal alloys, or ceramic or metal coatings. Components may include in-cylinder components, valve-train components, fuel system components, exhaust system components, and air handling systems.

The proposed research should address the following areas: (1) Component

design, (2) selection of candidate materials, (3) material down selection, development, and optimization, (4) prototype component fabrication, and (5) rig or engine testing of components.

Applications must contain the following information: (1) Description of the proposed research, including roles of suppliers, consultants, and subcontractors, (2) a critical review of existing and emerging technologies on a world-wide basis that may compete with the proposed technology. The review should conclude that the proposed research is timely, does not duplicate work being pursued elsewhere, and is more competitive than existing or emerging technology; (3) technical and economic evaluations for industrial implementation indicating the potential for improved energy efficiency, reduction of engine emissions and alternative fuels utilization. The economic evaluation should also contain evidence and a schedule showing that the proposed technology has potential for commercialization; (4) an estimate of the potential energy saving attributable to the commercialization of the proposed technology; (5) a Statement of Work and Management Plan including a project schedule, work breakdown structure, budget plan, milestones, and decision points; (6) applicants or other participant cost-sharing commitments, which should be no less than 50 percent, and a description of the form of cost sharing (e.g., cash, in-kind); (7) applicants proposed structure for vertical or horizontal teaming/ collaborating with co-participants or suppliers (a list of prospective suppliers should be provided); (8) an estimate of the total research and development cost required to reach the stage of technology development at which government funding will no longer be required; (9) the qualification and capability of the applicants organizations and individuals responsible for performing the work; (10) evidence of interest in the proposed research by industry, (11) evidence of the applicants eligibility to receive financial assistance from the U.S. DOE under Section 2306 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992; and (12) Standard Form 424, DOE F 4620.1, U.S. Department of Energy Budget Page, DOE Form 1600.5 "Assurance of Compliance," Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug Free Workplace Requirements executed prior to any award. Additional information may be requested by DOE during review of applications.

Applications will be evaluated individually as they are received. DOE

will evaluate the applications based on the following factors: (1) Overall merit; for example: (a) The concept's applicability and commercial potential to the U.S. diesel engine and material and component supplier industries, (b) the interest of industry as evidenced by letters of support, (c) the proposed cost share; (2) the proposed project objectives and the probability of achieving the stated objectives; (3) the applicants research capabilities and qualifications; and (4) the applicant's facilities. DOE will select only proposals which are meritorious based upon the above evaluation and which represent a unique or innovative idea, method, or approach. If separate areas of research are called for by this solicitation, then a physically separate application for each area of research proposed is required. However, two or more areas of research may be combined if strong interfaces or interrelationships can be clearly shown.

This notice infers no commitment by DOE to make an award. A decision to award will be determined after thorough evaluation of applications received and the availability of funds. DOE reserves the right to support or not support any applications. DOE assumes no responsibility for any cost associated with the preparation of applications. Award will be subject to the Energy Policy Act Section 2306, which contains the following limitation: "Section 2306. Limits on Participation by Companies—A company shall be eligible to receive financial assistance under sections XX through XXIII of this Act only if—(1) The Secretary finds that the company's participation in any program under such titles would be in the economic interest of the United States, as evidenced by investments in the United States in research, development, and manufacturing (including, for example, the manufacture of major components or subassemblies in the United States); significant contributions to employment in the United States; an agreement with respect to any technology arising from assistance provided under this section to promote the manufacture within the United States of products resulting from that technology (taking into account the goals of promoting the competitiveness of United States industry), and to procure parts and materials from competitive suppliers; and (2) either—(a) The company is a United States-owned company; or (b) the Secretary finds that the company is incorporated in the United States and has a parent company which is incorporated in a country which affords to United States-owned companies opportunities,

comparable to those afforded to any other company, to participate in any joint venture similar to those authorized under this Act; affords to United States-owned companies local investment opportunities comparable to those afforded to any other company; and affords adequate and effective protection for the intellectual property rights of United States-owned companies."

Issued in Oak Ridge, Tennessee on September 27, 1996.

Sylvia G. Galde,

*Acting Division Director, Procurement and Contracts Division, Oak Ridge Operations.*

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### **Environmental Management Advisory Board; Meeting**

**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 hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting:

*Name:* Environmental Management Advisory Board.

*Date and Times:* Wednesday, October 23, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

*Place:* U.S. Department of Energy/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW.; Room 1E-245, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4400.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

James T. Melillo, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management; Environmental Management Advisory Board (EMAB), EM-22, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4400. The Internet address is: James.Melillo@em.doe.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Board.* The purpose of the Board is to provide the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management (EM) with advice and recommendations on issues confronting the Environmental Management program and the Programmatic Environmental Management Impact Statement, from the perspectives of affected groups and state, local, and tribal governments. The Board will help to improve the Environmental Management Program by assisting in the process of securing consensus recommendations, and providing the Department's numerous publics with opportunities to express their opinions regarding the Environmental Management Program.

#### **Tentative Agenda**

*Wednesday, October 23, 1996*

8:30 a.m.—Co-Chairmen Open Public Meeting.

8:35 a.m.—Opening Remarks, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management.

10:15 a.m.—Ten Year Plan Committee Presentation and Discussion.

11:45 a.m.—Privatization Committee Presentation and Discussion.

12:30 p.m.—Lunch.

1:30 p.m.—Science Committee Interim Report and Discussion.

2:30 p.m.—Strategic Integration Committee Interim Report and Discussion.

3:30 p.m.—Technology Development & Transfer Committee Report and Discussion.

4:00 p.m.—Board Business.

4:15 p.m.—Update on EM Charge Back Issues.

4:45 p.m.—Public Comment Session.

5:30 p.m.—Meeting Adjourns.

A final agenda will be available at the meeting.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should either contact James T. Melillo at the address or telephone number listed above, or call 1-(800) 736-3282, the Center for Environmental Management Information and register to speak during the public comment session of the meeting. Individuals may also register on October 23, 1996 at the meeting site. Every effort will be made to hear all those wishing to speak to the Board, on a first-come, first-serve basis. Those who call in and reserve time will be given the opportunity to speak first. The Board Co-Chairs are empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

*Transcripts and Minutes:* A meeting transcript and minutes 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 through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued at Washington, DC on September 30, 1996.

Rachel Murphy Samuel,

*Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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### **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP96-811-000]

#### **Questar Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

September 30, 1996.

Take notice that on September 23, 1996, Questar Pipeline Company (Questar), 79 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 filed in the above