control problems and related water resources needs of streams in Alexander and Pulaski Counties, Illinois, and those portions of the streams and basins in adjacent Illinois counties tributary to Alexander and Pulaski Counties.

2. For reasons of marginal flood control benefits, changing land use, the recognized environmental uniqueness of the area, changing Corps wetlands restoration policies and sponsorship, the planning investigation has shifted from its original focus on flood control to its present purpose of habitat restoration.

Sedimentation from tributary streams, and an altered hydrologic regime are destroying one of the most impressive wetland areas in the Cache River—the Lower Cache River Swamp National Natural Landmark area. Heron Pond Little Black Slough National Natural Landmark area is threatened by drainage induced by entrenchment of the Post Creek/Upper Cache River channel.

Prior Corps of Engineers projects have contributed at least partially to these problems: flood water recharge of the Lower Cache River wetlands has been reduced as a result of Upper Cache River and Ohio River flows being deflected away from the Lower Cache via the Corps constructed Cache River and Reevesville Levees. The Cache River levee has contributed to the entrenchment process by ensuring that major flood flows from the Upper Cache River and Main Ditch area are directed down the Post-Creek Cutoff channel. The Cache River levee culverts have contributed to reverse flowage during high and low water stages on the Lower Cache. During higher tributary stages, sediment-laden waters are carried into Lower Cache River Swamp, and during dry periods (due to the low culvert inserts), the swamp is excessively drained. The Corps' Cache River diversion outlet and levee has diverted flows away from the lowermost 7 miles of Old Cache River channel.

Unless these problems are controlled through sound environmental engineering, the landmark areas will be lost. Solutions to these problems will require a thorough understanding of the complex hydrology of the Cache River basin. The Corps has an opportunity to provide the highly specialized hydrological engineering expertise needed for such an effort. The Corps is also in a unique position to provide the implementation capabilities for installing needed structural solutions.

3. Potential habitat restoration measures include: Big Creek and Cypress Creek floodplain restoration; sediment retention dams in the uplands of Big Creek and Cypress Creek; selective sediment removal from Lower Cache River Swamp; diverting flow from the Upper Cache towards Lower Cache River Swamp; Lower Cache River Swamp water control structures; and rock weirs placement in Post Creek and the Upper Cache River.

4. Scoping process includes the Nov 1996 Phase 2 Public Workshop &

Written Comments period.
5. Draft EIS will be made available to the public in 1998.

Thomas J. Hodgini, *COL, EN, Commanding.*

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Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB); Notice

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB). Dates of Meeting: January 14–16, 1997.

Place: Inn at Morro Bay, Morro Bay, California, and the U.S. Army Engineer Division, South Pacific, San Francisco, California.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (January 14, 1997), 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (January 15, 1997), 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (January 16, 1997).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries and notice of intent to attend the meeting may be addressed to Colonel Bruce K. Howard, Executive Secretary, Coastal Engineering Research Board, U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station, 3909 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180–6199.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposed Agenda: The 64th meeting of the Coastal Engineering Research Board is a civilian Board meeting hosted by the U.S. Army Engineer Division, South Pacific. The civilian members of the Board will visit the Morro Bay site with a discussion of the project at the Inn at Morro Bay on the morning of January 14. There will be a discussion of the Surfside-Sunset Alternative Structure Plan the afternoon of January 14. The Board will travel to San Francisco where on Wednesday, January 15, there will be site visits to the Pillar Point Harbor Project, San Francisco Beach Project, and Fisherman's Wharf Project. On Thursday morning, January 16, there

will be discussions with Division/ District personnel to discuss projects viewed and recommendations made.

This meeting is open to the public, but since seating capacity is limited, advance notice of intent to attend, although not required, is requested in order to assure adequate arrangements for those wishing to attend.

Bruce K. Howard,

Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No.: 84.235W]

Special Projects and Demonstrations for Providing Vocational Rehabilitation Services to Individuals With Disabilities; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 1997

Purpose of Program: To provide financial assistance to projects for expanding or otherwise improving vocational rehabilitation and other rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities.

Eligible Applicants: State agencies; other public agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes; and nonprofit private agencies and organizations.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: March 18, 1997.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: May 19, 1997.

Applications Available: December 11, 1996.

Available Funds: \$2,958,000. Estimated Range of Awards: \$180,000—\$220,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 13–16.

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

Maximum Award: In no case does the Secretary make an award greater than \$220,000 for a single budget period of 12 months. The Secretary rejects and does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding this maximum amount.

Project Period: Up to 36 months. Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, and 85; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 369 and 373.

Priorities

Competitive Preference Priority

The competitive preference priority concerning Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities in the notice of final priorities for this program, published in the Federal Register on December 9, 1994 (59 FR 63860), applies to this competition.

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i) the Secretary gives preference to applications that meet the following competitive priority. The Secretary awards 10 bonus points to an application that meets this competitive priority in a particularly effective way. These bonus points are in addition to any points the application earns under the selection criteria for the program:

Competitive Preference Priority— Providing Program Services in an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community

Under this program the Secretary gives competitive preference to applications that—

(1) Propose the provision of substantial services in Empowerment Zones or Enterprise Communities; and

(2) Propose projects that contribute to the strategic plan of the Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community and that are made an integral component of the Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community activities.

Under this program a project is considered to be providing substantial services if a minimum of 51 percent of the persons served by the project reside within the Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community.

Invitational Priorities

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) the Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet one or more of the following invitational priorities. However, an application that meets one or more of these invitational priorities does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications:

Invitational Priority 1—Projects To Increase Client Choice

Projects that emphasize and demonstrate effective ways to increase the choices and involvement of eligible clients in the rehabilitation process, including the selection of goals, services, and the providers of vocational rehabilitation services.

Invitational Priority 2—Programs To Demonstrate Early Intervention Strategies

Projects that provide early intervention in providing vocational

rehabilitation services to individuals with chronic and progressive diseases, including HIV/AIDS. Projects should demonstrate the utility of early intervention in providing vocational evaluation, training, and counseling services to develop new careers and employment or to improve job retention.

Invitational Priority 3—Projects Focusing on Career Advancement

Projects that demonstrate service delivery models that further high quality employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities by providing services to ensure that those individuals possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete for jobs with potential for career advancement and by providing services to improve career advancement opportunities for individuals who are employed.

FOR APPLICATIONS CONTACT: Joyce R. Jones, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 3038 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202–2649; or call (202) 205–8351.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pamela Martin or Alfreda Reeves, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 3314, Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202–2650. Telephone: (202) 205–8494 or (202) 205–9361.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf 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.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (ED Board), telephone (202) 260-9950; on the Internet Gopher Server (at gopher://gcs.ed.gov/); or on the World Wide Web (at http://gcs.ed.gov). This information can also be viewed on the Rehabilitations Services Administration's electronic bulletin board, telephone (202) 401-6147. However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the Federal Register.

Authority: 29 U.S.C. 777a(a)(1).

Dated: December 4, 1996.

Judith E. Heumann,

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: 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 in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy between the United States of America and the European Atomic Energy Community (EURATOM) and the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Norway concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy.

The subsequent arrangement to be carried out under the above-mentioned agreements involves approval of the following retransfer: RTD/NO(EU)–62, for the transfer of two irradiated fuel segments containing 293.1 grams of US-obligated enriched uranium with 5 grams of the isotope U-235 (1.5% enrichment) and 1.7 grams of plutonium from EURATOM to Norway for irradiation in the frame of the TPW programme.

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 that fifteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: December 6, 1996.

For the Department of Energy.

Edward T. Fei,

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

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-5-001]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Petition To Amend

December 5, 1996

Take notice that on December 3, 1996, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 770056–5310 and ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), 500