

at the surface or in thin films, such as the existence of charge density wave distortions at the surface, Fermi surface instabilities and metal-to-nonmetal transitions in thin films. The low electron energy capabilities of the instrument will be used to investigate the development of collective excitations in thin films and to probe the bulk properties of correlated electron systems containing metals or rare earth elements. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* December 19, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-143. *Applicant:* University of Alabama, Center for Materials for Information Technology, P.O. Box 870209, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0209. *Instrument:* Auger XPS Spectrometer. *Manufacturer:* Kratos Analytical, Inc. *Intended Use:* The instrument will be used to conduct materials research of soft FeXN films, magnetic nanostructures, giant magnetoresistance, exchange coupling, high coercivity films, wear characteristics, corrosion, magnetic particles and composites. In addition, the instrument will be used for educational purposes in metallurgical and materials engineering courses. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* December 23, 1996.

Frank W. Creel,
Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews; Completion of Panel Review

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of completion of the panel review.

SUMMARY: On January 21, 1997 the Binational Panel completed its review of the Final Determination in the antidumping duty administrative review made by the International Trade Administration (ITA) respecting Oil Country Tubular Goods From Mexico, Secretariat File No. USA-95-1904-04.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20230, (202) 482-5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 31, 1996 the Binational Panel issued its decision affirming in part and remanding in part the Final Determination in this matter. The

Determination on Remand was filed by the ITA on October 28, 1996. No challenges were filed by the participants within the time provided in the *NAFTA Article 1904 Panel Rules*. On December 2, 1996, the Panel issued an order under Rule 73(5) affirming the Determination on Remand and instructed the Secretariat to issue a Notice of Final Panel Action Under Rule 77. The Notice of Final Panel Action was issued on December 18, 1996. No Request for an Extraordinary Challenge was filed within 30 days of the issuance of the Notice of Final Panel Action. Therefore, on the basis of the Panel decision and Rule 80 of the *NAFTA Article 1904 Panel Rules*, the Panel Review was completed and the panelists were discharged from their duties effective January 21, 1997.

Dated: January 22, 1997.
James R. Holbein,
U.S. Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Public Hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Disposal and Reuse of the Department of Defense Housing Facility, Novato, CA

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the disposal and reuse of the Department of Defense Housing Facility (DoDHF) Novato property and structures in Novato, California. The DEIS is being prepared in compliance with the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) directive from Congress to close DoDHF Novato. DoDHF Novato closed on September 30, 1996.

The DEIS assesses the potential impacts to the environment that may result from Navy disposal of the DoDHF Novato property and subsequent community reuse. Surplus properties will be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act (Pub. L. 101-510) of 1990 as amended and applicable federal property disposal regulations. The "Spanish Housing" parcel will be transferred to the U.S.

Coast Guard and therefore will not be included in this documentation.

The Hamilton Reuse Planning Authority (HRPA) developed a Final Reuse Plan (Hamilton Army Airfield Reuse Plan) for the DoDHF Novato property that was adopted by the City of Novato in October 1995. The Reuse Plan was subsequently revised in February 1996, and again in November 1996. The Revised Reuse Plan stresses adaptive reuse of existing facilities. It includes housing, open space, community facilities, and small amounts of neighborhood commercial development. This "Revised Reuse Plan" was presented in the DEIS as the preferred alternative.

Another alternative analyzed in the DEIS is an "Open Space" option that would be similar to the preferred alternative Plan but would have 500 fewer housing units, more open space, and more community facilities. A "No Action" alternative that would result in the DoDHF Novato property remaining in federal government ownership in a caretaker status was also analyzed.

The DEIS is available for review at the following public libraries in the vicinity of DoDHF Novato: (1) Novato Public Library, 1720 Novato Blvd., Novato, CA; (2) Marin County Library, Marin Civic Center, San Rafael, CA; (3) Petaluma Regional Library, 100 Fairgrounds Drive, Petaluma, CA; and (4) Sonoma County Central Library, 3rd and E Streets, Santa Rosa, CA.

ADDRESSES: The Navy will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 27, 1997, at 7:00 p.m., at the San Marin High School Student Center, 15 San Marin Drive, Novato, California to inform the public of the DEIS findings and to solicit comments. Federal, state and local agencies, and interested individuals are invited to be present or represented at the hearing. Oral comments will be heard and transcribed by a stenographer. To assure accuracy of the record, all comments should be submitted in writing. All comments, both oral and written, will become part of the public record in the study. In the interest of available time, each speaker will be asked to limit oral comments to five minutes. Longer comments should be summarized at the public hearing and submitted in writing either at the hearing or mailed to the address listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: All written comments must be submitted no later than March 17, 1997 to Mr. Gary J. Munekawa (Code 1852GM), Engineering Field Activity West, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 900 Commodore Drive, San Bruno,

California 94066-5006, telephone (415) 244-3022, fax (415) 244-3737. For information concerning the community reuse planning process, please contact Mr. Ken Bell at telephone (510) 906-1460, or fax (714) 472-8122.

Dated: February 3, 1997.

D.E. Koenig,
LCDR, JAGC, USN, *Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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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/EU(NO)-44, for the transfer from the Halden reactor in Norway of five irradiated fuel rods containing 1,184 grams of uranium, including 3.0 grams of the isotope U-235 (0.25% enrichment) and 12.0 grams of plutonium, to Studsvik AB in Sweden for the purpose of re-irradiation and post irradiation examination.

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: January 28, 1997.

For the Department of Energy.

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

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Office of Environment, Safety and Health; Environment, Safety and Health: Extension of Opportunity To Provide Written Comments on Gathering Scientific Data, Information and Views Relevant to a Department of Energy (DOE) Beryllium Standard

AGENCY: Office of Environment, Safety and Health, DOE.

ACTION: Extension of public written comment period.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) published a notice on December 30, 1996, (61 FR 68725) announcing that DOE would hold two public forums to gather scientific data, information and views relevant to a DOE beryllium standard. That notice also provided the public with the opportunity to provide written comments on this issue with a comment period to end on February 7, 1997. Today's notice extends this written comment period to March 14, 1997.

DATES: Written comments and data (5 copies) must be received by the Department on or before March 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and data (5 copies) should be addressed to Jacqueline D. Rogers, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environment, Safety and Health, EH-51, 270CC, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, (301) 903-5684.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacqueline D. Rogers, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environment, Safety and Health, EH-51, 270CC, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, (301) 903-5684.

David Weitzman, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environment, Safety and Health, EH-51, 270CC, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, (301) 903-5401.

Paul Wambach, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Environment, Safety and Health, EH-61, 270CC, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, (301) 903-7373.

Issued in Washington, DC on February 3, 1997.

Peter N. Brush,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health.

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Program Research and Development Announcement (PRDA) for Integrated Fuel Cell Systems and Components for Transportation and Buildings

AGENCY: DOE, Chicago Operations Office.

ACTION: Notice inviting financial assistance applications.

SUMMARY: The DOE invites applications for federal assistance for research on fuel cell technology directed toward transportation and buildings applications. The Program Research and Development Announcement is for research and development (R&D) of: (1) Integrated Power System for Transportation; (2) Critical Components for Transportation; and (3) Development of fuel cells for buildings.

DATES: Applications are to be received no later than March 14, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Brian Cass, Acquisition and Assistance Group, Chicago Operations Office, 9800 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois 60439; Telephone No. (630) 252-2338, FAX No. (630) 252-5045, Internet—Brian.Cass@CH.DOE.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Program Research and Development Announcement (PRDA) may be downloaded using web site address, <http://www.ch.doe.gov/division/acq/prda/ee50443.htm>.

Issued in Chicago, Illinois on January 24, 1997.

John D. Greenwood,

Acquisition and Assistance, Group Manager, Contracting Officer.

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Idaho Operations Office; Solicitation for Financial Assistance Number DE-PS07-97ID13510: Evaluation of Financing Sources and Funding Mechanisms for Steel Industry Research, Development, and Demonstration Projects

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Idaho Operations Office (ID) is seeking applications for cost-shared research in support of the Office of Industrial Technologies and DOE's Steel Industry Team. The objective is to promote competitiveness and efficiency of the U.S. steel industry by identifying and evaluating methods of financing industrial research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) projects. The goal of this action is to define the realm of potential RD&D funding sources so that OIT and ultimately the steel