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The countries which are scheduled to be discussed are Antigua and Barbuda, Czech Republic, India, Jamaica, and Poland. The meeting agenda, as well as the staff analyses pertaining to the meeting will be posted on the Department of Education's Web site prior to the meeting at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/bdscomm/list/ncfmea.html>.

Reasonable Accommodations: The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice by August 25, 2014, although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Griffiths, Executive Director for the NCFMEA, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street NW., Room 8073, Washington, DC 20006-8129, telephone: 202 219-7035; fax: 202 502-7874, or email: Carol.Griffiths@ed.gov.

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Lynn B. Mahaffie,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES AND TIMES:

August 19, 2014, 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

August 20, 2014, 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Westin Kansas City at Crown Center, 1 E Pershing Rd., Kansas City, MO 64108.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elliott Levine, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-1476; Email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov or Roy Tiley at (410) 997-7778 ext. 220; Email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Update on USDA Biomass R&D Activities
- Update on DOE Biomass R&D Activities
- Overview of DOE Bioenergy Technologies Office Multi-Year Program Plan
- Panel discussion on the use of Biomass for Renewable Chemicals & Materials

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you must contact Elliott Levine at 202-586-1476; Email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov and Roy Tiley at (410) 997-7778 ext. 220; Email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral

statements on the agenda. The Co-chairs of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Co-chairs will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at <http://biomassboard.gov/committee/meetings.html>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on July 22, 2014.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, September 4, 2014, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Friday, September 5, 2014, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Red Lion Hotel, 2525 N. 20th Avenue, Pasco, WA 99301.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kristen Skopeck, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, 825 Jadwin Avenue, P.O. Box 550, A7-75, Richland, WA 99352; Phone: (509) 376-5803; or Email: kristen.skopeck@rl.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

- Potential Draft Advice
 - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Class III Modifications
 - Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility Record of Decision Amendment
- Discussion Topics
 - 100 F/U Area Proposed Plan
 - Hanford Advisory Board Committee Reports

■ Board Business

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The EM SSAB, Hanford, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Kristen Skopeck at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Kristen Skopeck at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Kristen Skopeck's office at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/hab>.

Issued at Washington, DC on July 18, 2014.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB)

AGENCY: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open live board meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a Board meeting of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: August 20, 2014, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., August 21, 2014, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Washington Marriott Georgetown, 1221 22nd Street NW., Washington, DC 20037.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Hughes, STEAB Designated Federal

Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585, 202-320-9703, Julie.Hughes@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

Tentative Agenda: Review deliverables and accomplishments from the STEAB Engagement Plan for FY 2014, meet with members of EERE to discuss the status of the Lab Impact Initiative, explore opportunities to continue assisting with the QER process, discuss updates and provide recommendations on the Weatherization Assistance Program, receive updates from key members of EERE, and update members of the Board on routine business matters.

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 contact Julie Hughes at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 90 days on the STEAB Web site, www.steab.org.

Issued at Washington, DC, on July 22, 2014.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Expanding Bioeconomy

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: DOE's Bioenergy Technologies Program on behalf of the interagency Biomass Research and Development (R&D) Board today announces an open meeting and call for information to solicit information and viewpoints from interested parties on the challenges and opportunities of expanding the bioeconomy. This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting date due to logistical issues that had to be resolved prior to the meeting date.

DATES: July 31, 2014 7:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Walter E. Washington Convention Center, 801 Mt Vernon Pl., NW., Washington, DC 20001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions may be directed to Alicia Lindauer, Designated Federal Official for the Workshop, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave SW., Washington, DC 20585, email alicia.lindauer@ee.doe.gov, 720-356-1356.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the meeting: To receive comments and input on a national vision for a bioeconomy based on the use of biomass for biofuels, bioproducts, and biopower. The Biomass R&D Board intends to hear from interested parties on the challenges and opportunities currently facing the bioenergy sector.

Tentative Agenda: The workshop will include presentations from Biomass R&D Board Agency representatives on ongoing activities in the bioenergy field. The meeting will feature three sessions for public comment on challenges and opportunities in Feedstocks and Logistics, Conversion Technologies, and Distribution and End Use.

Public Participation: Members of the public are encouraged to attend, however, there is limited seating available and only the first 120 registrants will be allowed to attend the workshop. If you would like to register to attend the workshop, or to attend the workshop and provide oral comments during one of the comment sessions, please contact Ashley Rose at Ashley.rose@ee.doe.gov. The deadline for registration is July 30, 2014. If you are unable to attend the event and would like to submit written comments for consideration, please email them to Ashley.rose@ee.doe.gov.

Instructions: Any information, input, and data as part of written or oral comments may be made available to the public. Do not include any personal information or information claimed to