

as the final date by which ED Form 2447 must be submitted. However, if an SEA submits revised data after the final deadline that results in a lower SPPE figure, its allocations may be adjusted downward or the Department may request the SEA to return funds. SEAs should be aware that all of these data are subject to audit and that, if any inaccuracies are discovered in the audit process, the Department may seek recovery of overpayments for the applicable programs. If an SEA submits revised data after September 8, the data may also be too late to be included in the final NCES published dataset.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Idaho Operations Office; Notice of Intent to Solicit Applications for Financial Assistance Awards

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation for financial assistance number DE-PS07-98ID13605—Advanced Drilling Systems Research.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Geothermal

Technologies, Advanced Drilling Systems Research Program, via the Idaho Operations Office (DOE-ID), is seeking applications for cost-shared cooperative agreements for industry-government Research & Development projects to develop advanced drilling technologies and transfer the results to industry. These new developments can then be used by the U.S. geothermal industry to solve technical problems.

DATES: The anticipated issuance date of Solicitation No. DE-PS07-98ID13605 is January 26, 1998. A copy of the solicitation in its full text can be found at the following Internet address: <http://www.inel.gov/doeid/solicit.html> under ACurrent Solicitations.@ Also, application packages and instructions (including all required forms, certifications and assurances) are available at this website. The website is the agency preferred method for interested parties to obtain the solicitation and application information. Interested parties requiring hardcopies should request them in writing (preferably via e-mail) from the Contracting Officer below. The website will be the official notification medium for any possible changes in the solicitation. All interested parties should monitor the website during the application period.

ADDRESSES: Applications shall be submitted to: Mr. Michael K. Barrett, Contracting Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, Mail Stop 1221, Idaho Falls, ID 83401-1563, e-mail: barretmk@inel.gov, Tele: (208) 526-5743, Fax: (208) 526-5548.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael K. Barrett, Contracting Officer at (208) 526-5743 or Willetia Amos, Program Manager at (208) 526-4097; U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, Mail Stop 1221, Idaho Falls, ID 83401-1563.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The solicitation will be issued pursuant to 10 CFR 600.6(a) with no eligibility restrictions. The statutory authority for the issuance of this solicitation is Public Law 93-410, the Geothermal Energy Research, Development & Demonstration Act of 1974. The catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.087.

This notice is also intended to promote the formation of industry partnerships, to stimulate interaction among potential participants, and to encourage organizations to investigate creative solutions. Funding for phase I will be available to support several awards for a period of approximately six

to twelve months. Funding for phase II will be available to support one or more awards, for a period of 12-24 months. Applications may include Federally Funded Research and Development Centers, but only as lower tier participants with funding for their expected costs provided through their existing arrangements with the Government.

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Michael L. Adams,

Acting Director, Procurement Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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AOG Gas Transmission Company, L.P.; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

January 15, 1998.

Take notice that on January 6, 1998, AOG Gas Transmission Company, L.P. (AOGGT) filed pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's Regulations, a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve its existing system-wide rates of \$0.0019 per Mmbtu applicable to transportation service rendered from its system in the state of Oklahoma, and \$0.1023 per Mmbtu applicable to transportation service rendered from its system in the state of New Mexico. These rates will be applicable to the transportation of natural gas under Section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA).

Pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the date of this filing, the rates will be deemed to be fair and equitable and not in excess of an amount which interstate pipelines would be permitted to charge for similar transportation service. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150 day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentation of views, data and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this proceeding must file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and