

extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 13, 1998.

**Hazel Fiers,**

*Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

**Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Request for Comment on Planning and Implementation of the Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships Grant Competition.

*Abstract:* The Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships is a new grant competition. The information collected will be used by Dept. Of Education staff to help set priorities and plan implementation of the grant program. It is expected that comments will be received from college and university faculty and administrators, higher education associations, software developers and publishers, industry training groups and other interested organizations or individuals.

*Additional Information:* This emergency notice is needed to collect feedback in order to develop the grant application.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 50; Burden Hours: 100.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 18, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Werfel\_d@a1.eop.gov*. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Pat\_Sherrill@ed.gov*, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) 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.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection,

grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J.

Dated: November 12, 1998.

**Kent H. Hannaman,**

*Leader, Information Management Group,  
Office of the Chief Financial and Chief  
Information Officer.*

**Office of Elementary and Secondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Alaskan Native Educational Equity Program.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 200. Burden Hours: 3,200.

*Abstract:* The Alaskan Native Programs address the severe educational handicaps of Alaska Native school children. The Department uses the information to make grant awards. This collection involves a discretionary grant which falls under the Streamlined Discretionary Process, 1890-0001.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Notice of Program Interest;  
Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban  
Treaty Research and Development  
Program**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Nonproliferation and National Security, Office of Research and Development (NN-20).

**ACTION:** Notice of Program Interest—to fund unsolicited applications/proposals for financial assistance awards contributing to the mission of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) Research and Development (R&D) Program.

**SUMMARY:** The DOE is interested in receiving for consideration applications for Federal Financial Assistance Awards pursuant to the financial assistance rules contained in Title 10 CFR part 600 (10 CFR part 600, specifically 10 CFR

600.9). On behalf of the DOE CTBT R&D Program, DOE invites Unsolicited Applications/Proposals from interested and qualified Nonprofit Organizations, Institutions of Higher Education, and Commercial Organizations to pursue research that supports the CTBT R&D Program mission.

The CTBT R&D Program mission is: "to carry out research and development necessary to provide U.S. government agencies, that are responsible for monitoring and/or verifying CTBT compliance, with technologies, algorithms, hardware and software for integrated systems to detect, locate, identify and characterize nuclear explosions at the thresholds and confidence levels that meet U.S. requirements in a cost-effective manner." Program priorities focus on the advancement of seismic, infrasound, radionuclide, and hydroacoustic knowledge and capabilities. This Notice of Program Interest is intended to encourage the participation of Nonprofit Organizations, Institutions of Higher Learning, and Commercial Organizations in furthering these program mission interests.

**DATES:** This Notice of Program Interest expires September 30, 1999. This date is not a deadline for applications; applications may be submitted at any time. An updated notice may be issued after September 30, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Applicants seeking funding consideration by the CTBT R&D Program under this Notice of Program Interest are requested to mark and submit their Unsolicited Applications/Proposals, eight (8) total, as follows:

Original and copies # 1-6: Leslie A. Casey, Treaty Monitoring Programs Manager, c/o CTBT R&D Program—Notice of Program Interest—NN-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585-0420. DOE/NN-20 will initiate the objective merit review process.

Copy # 7: John N. Augustine, Unsolicited Applications/Proposals Manager, c/o CTBT R&D Program—Notice of Program Interest—NN-20, U.S. Department of Energy, Federal Energy Technology Center (FETC), 626 Cochran Mill Road, PO Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236-0940. DOE-FETC will assign a DOE identification number and acknowledge receipt of the proposal.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** U.S. Department of Energy (NN-20), 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585-0420. Attn.: Leslie A. Casey, Telephone Number: (202) 586-2151, Fax Number: (202) 586-0485.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Responses to this Notice of Program Interest must explain how the proposed work furthers the CTBT R&D Program mission and resolves program research issues. These are summarized on the Web Page: "http://www.ctbt.rnd.doe.gov/coordination/", under the heading "R&D Issues and Metrics". Successful applications will: demonstrate a knowledge of the CTBT R&D Program (as represented in the Reports Listing at the Program's web site—http://www.ctbt.rnd.doe.gov); offer novel or innovative approaches leading to performance improvements and cost reductions; and/or respond to ground truth data deficiencies.

#### Application Submission Requirements

Applications/proposals are to follow the "Guide for the Submission of Unsolicited Applications/Proposals," (DOE/PR-0014) which is available on the Web Page "http://www.fetc.doe.gov/business/index.html". This guide identifies what to submit with respect to Departmental information requirements for Basic Information, Business and Financial Information, Technical Information, and Certifications. It is imperative that Unsolicited Applications/Proposals adequately address these requirements as omissions could delay proposal processing.

*In addition,* Unsolicited Applications/Proposals are to address the technical work to be performed and costs associated with that work. The required information and format are as follows:

(1) *Project Description:* (Provide a comprehensive, but succinct (350 character) summary of the proposed research project. It should convey the project objective, application, method, product and value to U.S. government agencies and other users).

(2) *Objective(s):* (State research objectives).

(3) *Application:* (Describe the product and how it is to be used. Discuss the product's merits over the current baseline and any technical uncertainties that could impede the performance of the resulting product).

(4) *User(s):* (Identify potential users and indicate whether they have expressed interest in the product).

(5) *Prior Work:* (Summarize the current state-of-the-art for the stated field of endeavor. Provide credentials of key participants and describe their previous relevant work. Cite applicable bibliographic references).

(6) *Collaborators:* (Identify other participants and describe their role and contribution).

(7) *Proposed Work & Scientific Basis:* (Specify the technical approach to manage the project; describe specific tasks and subtask activities to be conducted by Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) to achieve the research objectives; and identify key decision points (milestones). Relate these elements to how they further the stated research objectives and advance the state-of-the-art).

(8) *Research Issues:* (Identify the technical issues that will be addressed by the project; list potential barriers and explain how they will be overcome).

(9) *Tasks:* (By WBS element list the tasks, associated subtasks, and associated costs. Differentiate the cost for fully burdened labor, equipment, materials, other (such as travel, taxes, fee (if applicable), etc.) (Once Unsolicited Proposals are selected for funding, a complete break-down by cost element will be required.)

(10) *Milestones:* (List milestones (key decision points) and scheduled completion dates by task).

(11) *Deliverables:* (List deliverables (products) and scheduled completion dates by task).

Unsolicited Applications/Proposals will be evaluated against many factors. Some of the criteria that are likely to apply include: technical merit; applicant's familiarity with other ongoing work; the relevance and quality of the applicant's prior work; the effectiveness of the proposed technical approach; timeliness; cost; and the period of performance. Successful proposals will also facilitate evaluation against these criteria.

#### Funding Considerations

Financial Assistance Awards (Grants or Cooperative Agreements) are anticipated to be funded for project durations of 1-3 years and awards will generally range from \$100,000 to \$500,000. While Unsolicited Applications/Proposals may be considered for funding at any time following receipt, favorable consideration may be enhanced by timing submission to parallel DOE's review and funding cycle. Applications/proposals that are submitted by March 1, 1999 will support funding decisions in June/July, 1999 followed by contract negotiations over the summer in preparation for awards in early FY 2000.

#### Submission, Withdrawal, and Unsuccessful Applications

Unsolicited Proposals will be accepted on an ongoing basis. Unsolicited Applications/Proposals must state an acceptance period of 180 days; however, Unsolicited

Applications/Proposals may be withdrawn by the Applicant at any time by written notification to the DOE Unsolicited Applications/Proposals Manager previously identified. Unsolicited Applications/Proposals that are received may be considered for funding at any time following receipt. Unsolicited Applications/Proposals that are not selected in FY 98 may be reconsidered for funding in the following year. Unsolicited Applications/Proposals that are not funded and not withheld for reconsideration will be destroyed and the Applicant will be notified accordingly. A Federal Financial Assistance Award (Grant and Cooperative Agreements) application package which includes a sample award can be obtained from the DOE Contracting Officer previously identified or can be down-loaded from the DOE AL Web Page: "http://www.doeal.gov/cpd/" under the heading "Solicitations".

It is DOE policy to exercise extreme care to ensure that the proposal information is not duplicated, used or disclosed in whole or in part for any purpose other than to evaluate the proposal, without written permission of the Applicant. Furthermore, with respect to the Unsolicited Proposal evaluation, the Applicant is hereby informed that it is standard practice of the CTBT R&D program officials to include review by DOE laboratory managers and experts in the topic area of the proposal. If you are an expert and are willing to serve as a reviewer on a non-remunerative basis, the CTBT R&D Program would like to be notified of your interest. Serving as a technical reviewer could encompass these Unsolicited Proposals, subject to non-disclosure agreements, as well as other proposals related to the CTBT R&D Program. Interested individuals are requested to forward their résumé and cover letter expressing their interest to: Manager, Treaty and Monitoring Program (NN-20), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-0420. Finally, proposal evaluation may include coordination with other government agencies or their designated contractors, primarily to check for duplication of effort and end user interest. This is an important integration practice appropriate to a full-scope, ongoing and mature program such as the CTBT R&D program.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 12, 1998.

**Leslie A. Casey,**

*Treaty Monitoring Programs Manager, NN-20.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats.

**DATES:** Thursday, December 3, 1998, 6 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, 6901 Wadsworth Boulevard, Arvada, CO.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, EM SSAB-Rocky Flats, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021, phone: (303) 420-7855, fax: (303) 420-7579.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

#### *Tentative Agenda:*

1. The Board plans to continue its discussion on waste management topics.
2. Other Board business may be conducted as necessary.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments at the beginning of the meeting.

*Minutes:* The minutes of this meeting 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 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855. Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Deb Thompson at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on November 13, 1998.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-142-000]

#### ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 12, 1998.

Take notice that on November 5, 1998, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet to be effective December 7, 1998:

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 70

ANR states that the purpose of this filing is to set forth in the pro forma service agreement contained in its tariff the specific types of discounts that ANR may agree to enter into with its shippers.

ANR states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings.