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**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 that 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. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: November 16, 1998.

**Kent H. Hannaman,**

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

*Office of Postsecondary Education*

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Federal Family Education Loan Program and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, Loan Discharge Applications.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 70,000; Burden Hours: 30,500.

*Abstract:* These forms will serve as the means of collecting the information necessary to determine whether a FFEL or Direct Loan Borrower qualifies for a loan discharge based on total and permanent disability, school closure, false certification of student eligibility, or unauthorized signature.

*Office of Postsecondary Education*

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Federal Direct Consolidation Loan Program Application Documents.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Businesses or other for-profits.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 707,000; Burden Hours: 528,250.

*Abstract:* These forms are the means by which a borrower applies for/promises to repay a Federal Direct Consolidation Loan and a lender verifies an eligible loan to be consolidated.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting: Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel.

*Date:* Tuesday, December 8, 1998, 9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M., Wednesday, December 9, 1998, 9:00 A.M.-3:30 P.M.

*Place:* Florida Solar Energy Center, 1679 Clearlake Road, Cocoa, Florida 32922-5703; Telephone: 407-638-1000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Russell Eaton, Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy, Golden

Field Office, 1617 Cole Blvd., Golden, CO 80401, Telephone: 303-275-4740.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Panel:* The Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel (HTAP) will advise the Secretary of Energy who has the overall management responsibility for carrying out the programs under the Matsunaga Hydrogen Research, Development, and Demonstration Program Act of 1990, Public Law No. 101-566 and the Hydrogen Future Act of 1996, Public Law No. 104-271. The Panel will review and make any necessary recommendations to the Secretary on the following items: (1) The implementation and conduct of programs required by the Act, and (2) the economic, technological, and environmental consequences of the deployment of hydrogen production and use systems.

### Tentative Schedule

*Tuesday, November 3, 1998*

9:00 A.M. Opening Comments—D. Nahmias  
9:15 Introduction of Panelists and Remarks—D. Nahmias/R. Eaton  
9:45 DOE Hydrogen Program Report—S. Gronich/N. Rossmeissl  
10:00 DOE Hydrogen Program Budget, FY 1999—S. Gronich  
10:30 Break  
10:45 DOE Report to Congress—S. Gronich  
12:00 P.M. Lunch  
1:30 HTAP Report to Congress (This will include a signing ceremony by the HTAP members)—D. Nahmias  
2:45 IEA Report-International Coordination—N. Rossmeissl  
3:00 Break  
3:30 Public Comments—Audience  
4:00 HTAP Panel Comments—Panel  
5:00 Adjourn  
6:00 Reception

*Wednesday, November 4, 1998*

9:00 AM Round Table Discussion on Coordination and Collaboration (DOE Offices of Fossil Energy, Energy Research, Transportation Technologies, Biofuels; DOT and NASA)— Panel/ Agency Representatives  
12:00 PM Lunch  
1:45 Public Comments—Audience  
3:15 HTAP Discussion, Comments and Roundup—Panel  
3:30 Adjourn

*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 Russell Eaton's office 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.

*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 by writing to Russell Eaton, Department of Energy, Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Blvd., Golden, CO 80401, or by calling (303) 275-4740.

Issued at Washington, DC, on November 17, 1998.

**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**SUMMARY:** Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting:

*Name:* Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Laboratory Operations Board.

*Date and Time:* Monday, December 7, 1998, 1:00 P.M.—4:30 P.M.

*Place:* Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), I-580 Exit Vasco Road, Building 170, Conference Room 1091, Livermore, California.

**Note:** Public attendees are requested to enter through the West Gate Badging Office.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586-1709.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the Laboratory Operations Board is to provide advice to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the strategic direction of the Department's laboratories, the coordination of budget and policy issues affecting laboratory operations, and the reduction of unnecessary and counterproductive management burdens on the laboratories. The Laboratory Operations Board's goal is to facilitate the productive and cost-effective utilization of the Department's

laboratory system and the application of best business practices.

**Tentative Agenda:**

*Monday, December 7, 1998*

- 1:00-1:30 P.M. Co-Chairs' Opening Remarks
- 1:30-2:00 P.M. Status Reports on Outstanding Actions
- 2:00-3:00 P.M. Discussion of Laboratory Profile Report Submissions
- 3:00-4:15 P.M. Background Presentations on Departmental Organization and Governance
- 4:15-4:30 P.M. Public Comment Period
- 4:30 P.M. Adjourn

This tentative agenda is subject to change. A final agenda will be available at the meeting.

*Public Participation:* The Chairman of the Laboratory Operations Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a way which will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Livermore, California, the Laboratory Operations Board welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Laboratory Operations Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585.

*Minutes:* Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Laboratory Operations Board may also be found at the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's web site, located at <http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab>.

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**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application Filed With the Commission

November 16, 1998.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* Amendment of Exemption.
- b. *Project No:* 2869-007.
- c. *Date Filed:* 06/22/98.
- d. *Applicant:* Village of Potsdam, New York.
- e. *Name of Project:* Potsdam Water Power Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Raquette River in St. Lawrence County, New York.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Frank O. Christie, Christie Engineering, 8 East Main St., Malone, NY 12953, (518) 483-1945.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Mohamad Fayyad, (202) 219-2665.
- j. *Comment Date:* December 21, 1998.
- k. *Description of Amendment:* The exemptee is proposing to add a new powerhouse at the site. The existing project consists of the East Dam and West Dam separated by an island, a 300-acre reservoir, and an 800-kW powerhouse at the East Dam. The proposed powerhouse would consist of an intake and powerhouse at the West Dam with a capacity of 700 kW.

Initially, on February 27, 1997, the exemptee filed a new license application for the above proposal of the 700-kW powerhouse under docket No. P-11289. The proposal in the license application did not include the existing exempted project. We informed the exemptee that its proposal and its existing exempted project would constitute a complete unit of development; one project. On June 22, 1998, the exemptee decided to file this amendment application.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR Sections 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those