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**Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Application for Grants Under the Community Scholarship Mobilization Program.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 100.

Burden Hours: 6,000.

*Abstract:* This application is essential to conducting the competition for new awards in Fiscal Year 2000 for national organizations to support the establishment or ongoing work of regional, state, local, or community program centers.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1890-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Financial Assistance Award (Grant)**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation of applications for grant awards for high-energy density and laser-matter interaction studies.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 10 CFR 600.8, the DOE announces that it plans to conduct a technically competitive solicitation for basic research experiments in high energy density and laser matter interaction studies at the National Laser Users' Facility (NLUF) located at the University of Rochester Laboratory for Laser Energetics (UR/LLE). Grant Solicitation No. DE-PS03-00SF22056. Universities or other higher education institutions, private sector not-for-profit organizations, or other entities are invited to submit grant applications. The total amount of funding (project cost) expected to be available for Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002 program cycle is \$1,400,000. Multiple awards are anticipated under the total budget of \$700,000 per year.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janice Williams, Contract Specialist, DOE Oakland Operations Office, 1301 Clay Street, Room 700N, Oakland, CA 94612-5208, Telephone No.: (510) 637-1914, Facsimile No.: (510) 637-2074, E-mail [janice.williams@oak.doe.gov](mailto:janice.williams@oak.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The solicitation document contains all the information relative to this action for prospective applicants. The solicitation is targeted for release on or about March 31, 2000. The actual work to be accomplished will be determined by the experiments and diagnostic techniques that are selected for award. Proposed experiments and diagnostic techniques will be evaluated through scientific peer review against predetermined, published and available criteria. Final selection will be made by the DOE. It is anticipated that multiple grants will be awarded within the available funding. The unique resources of the NLUF are available to scientists for state-of-the art experiments primarily in the area of inertial confinement fusion (ICF) and related plasma physics. Other areas such as spectroscopy of highly ionized atoms, laboratory astrophysics, fundamental physics, material science, and biology and chemistry will be considered on a secondary basis. The LLE was established in 1970 to investigate the interaction of high power lasers with matter. Available at the LLE for NLUF researchers is the OMEGA LASER, a 30 kJ UV 60 beam laser system (at 0.35 um) suitable for direct-drive ICF implosions. This system is suitable for a variety of experiments including laser-plasma interactions and atomic spectroscopy. The NLUF program for FY 2001 & FY 2002 is to concentrate on experiments that can be done with the OMEGA laser at the University of Rochester and development of diagnostic techniques suitable for the

OMEGA system. Measurements of the laser coupling, laser-plasma interactions, core temperature, and core density are needed to determine the characteristics of the target implosions. Diagnostic techniques could include either new instrumentation, development of analysis tools, or development of targets that are applicable for 30 kJ implosions. Additional information about the facilities and potential collaboration at the NLUF can be obtained from: Dr. John Soares, Manager, National Laser Users' Facility, University of Rochester/LLE, 250 East River Road, Rochester, NY 14623.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Office of International Affairs; Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Energy Ministers Conference**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of upcoming conference.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy and the City of San Diego, California, will co-sponsor the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Energy Ministers Conference: "Turning Vision Into Reality," in San Diego, California. The Conference will focus on strategies to implement existing policy commitments and to enhance investment in clean and sustainable energy development, on opportunities for regional energy market integration, and on continued transition to a market-oriented business climate. The region's energy ministers, and representatives of the private sector, multilateral institutions and nongovernment organizations will work together to create a vision for the 21st Century that will support clean and sustainable energy and economic development.

**DATES:** The three-day conference will be held from May 10-12, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information and to register on line, please visit our website on [www.apecenergy.org](http://www.apecenergy.org). You may also contact APEC Conference Headquarters on 703-352-7633, or via fax on 703-352-9513 for further information regarding the conference. For inquiries regarding exhibits for industry displays, please contact John Reyes in San Diego,