

meeting and will be provided opportunities to speak following previously scheduled speakers. Speakers will be requested to limit their initial comments to about five minutes. Speakers who need more than five minutes should indicate the length of time desired in their request. Depending on the number of speakers, DOE may need to limit speakers to five minutes initially but will provide additional opportunities as time permits. Speakers may also provide written materials to supplement their presentations. Oral and written comments will be given equal consideration.

DOE will begin the meeting with an overview of the proposed Low-Emission Boiler System Project. The meeting will not be conducted as an evidentiary hearing, and speakers will not be cross-examined. However, speakers may be asked questions to help ensure that DOE fully understands their comments or suggestions. A presiding officer will establish the order of speakers and provide any additional procedures necessary to conduct the meeting.

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Lloyd Lorenzi, Jr.,

NEPA Compliance Officer, National Energy Technology Laboratory.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Assessment Addendum for Waste Disposition Activities at the Paducah Site, Paducah, KY

AGENCY: Oak Ridge Operations Office, Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy announces the availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Environmental Assessment Addendum (EA Addendum) for Waste Disposition Activities at the Paducah Site (DOE/EA-1339A). The EA Addendum has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA, 40 CFR parts 1500-1508; and, DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures, 10 CFR part 1021.

The U.S. Department of Energy has completed an Environmental Assessment Addendum (DOE/EA-1339A) for the disposition of additional waste currently located at the Paducah Site, Paducah, Kentucky. This EA

Addendum follows the original EA (DOE/EA-1339), completed November 5, 2002, which analyzed continued waste management operations including disposition of waste from the Paducah Site.

The EA Addendum analyzes transportation of additional waste for disposal at various locations in the United States. Based on the results of the impact analysis reported in the EA Addendum, DOE has determined that the proposed action is not a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment within the context of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). Therefore, preparation of an environmental impact statement was not necessary, and DOE is issuing this Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

ADDRESSES: Copies of the EA may be obtained from: U.S. Department of Energy, Paducah Site Office, Attn: Mr. Greg Bazzell, P.O. Box 1410, Paducah, KY 42001, by fax (1-270-441-6801), or electronically (bazzellga@oro.doe.gov).

The EA is available for review at the U.S. Department of Energy Environmental Information Center, Barkley Centre, 115 Memorial Drive, in Paducah, Kentucky. The EA is also available at the U.S. Department of Energy Information Center at 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN 37830.

For general information on the DOE NEPA process, please contact: Ms. Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (EH-42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, telephone 202-586-4600, or leave a message at 1-800-472-2756.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board Chairs Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EMSSAB) Chairs Meeting. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub.

L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, April 21, 2004, 8:15 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Thursday, April 22, 2004, 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 1E-245, Forrestal Building, Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jay Vivari, Program Management Specialist (EM-30.1), Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-5143.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, April 21

- 8:15 a.m. Welcome; Introductions; Meeting Expectations (Waisley; Schoener)
- 8:45 a.m. Round Robin on Sites' Key Issues, *e.g.* Risk-Based End States; Structure of the CABs; Future of CABs at Closure Sites, etc. (Preparation for A/S Roberson Meeting)
- 9:45 a.m. Break
- 10 a.m. Discussion with Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management Jessie Roberson; includes two minutes for expression of concerns from each site
- 10:45 a.m. Board's Discussion following Roberson Dialogue
- 11:45 a.m. Public Comment Period
- Noon Lunch
- 1 p.m. Presentation on Risk-Based End States (RBES): Status at Headquarters; Reports on RBES from each site; Discussion on Public Participation in RBES; Paths Forward
- 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:45 p.m. Resume and complete discussion on RBES
- 3:15 p.m. Presentation on EM's FY '05 Budget Request to Congress, Including High Level Waste Funding Issues; Discussion
- 4:15 p.m. Discussion on Possible End-of-Meeting Work Product
- 4:45 p.m. Public Comment Period
- 5 p.m. Wrap Up and Conclusion to Day One
- 5:15 p.m. Adjourn

Thursday, April 22, 2004

- 8:15 a.m. Welcome; Day One Recap; Day Two Expectations