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Margaret Spellings,

Secretary of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and **Communities Advisory Committee**

AGENCY: Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, Department of Education. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming open meeting of the Safe and **Drug-Free Schools and Communities** Advisory Committee. The notice also describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend.

DATES: Monday, August 21, 2006, and Tuesday, August 22, 2006.

Time: August 21, 2006: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; August 22, 2006: 8 a.m. to 11:30

ADDRESSES: The Committee will meet at the U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Barnard Auditorium, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Catherine Davis, Executive Director, Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 1E110, Washington, DC 20202-3510; telephone: (202) 205-4169, or e-mail at OSDFS@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established to provide advice to the Secretary on Federal, State and local programs designated to create safe and drug-free schools, and on issues related to crisis planning. The focus for this meeting is the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities State Grants Programs, a formula grant program. The agenda will include panel presentations by invited speakers offering an overview of the program and looking at opportunities to strengthen and improve it in order to ensure that schools and communities are implementing the most effective programs and interventions, and are prepared to meet current and future needs of students. Further, the Committee will address strategies for accomplishing their mission as stated in the committee charter.

Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or materials in alternative format) should notify Catherine Davis at OSDFSC@ed.gov or 202-205-4169 no later than August 7, 2006. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Individuals interested in attending the meeting must register in advance because limited space is available at the meeting site. Please notify Catherine Davis at OSDFSC@ed.gov or 202-205-4169 of your intention to attend the meeting.

Opportunities for public comment are available on August 22 from 8:40-9:15 a.m. on a first come, first served basis. Comments presented at the meeting must be limited to 5 minutes in length. Written comments that accompany oral remarks are optional. Five copies are recommended and should be submitted to the committee Chairman.

Request for Written Comments: We invite the public to submit written comments relevant to the focus of the Advisory Committee. We would like to receive written comments from members of the public no later than April 30, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Submit all comments to the Advisory Committee using one of the following methods: 1. Internet. We encourage the public to submit comments through the Internet to the following address: OSDFSC@ed.gov. 2. Mail. The public may also submit your comments via mail to Catherine Davis, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 1E110, Washington, DC 20202. Due to delays in mail delivery caused by heightened security, please allow adequate time for the mail to be received.

Records are kept of all Committee proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 1E110, Washington, DC 20202, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Ray Simon,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Request for Expressions of Interest in an Advanced Burner Reactor To Support the Global Nuclear **Energy Partnership**

AGENCY: Office of Nuclear Energy,

Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of request for expressions of interest.

SUMMARY: Based upon feedback since the President of the United States announced the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership (GNEP) in February 2006, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from domestic and international industry in building an Advanced Burner Reactor (ABR). An ABR in the United States would establish a fast reactor capability to be used to transmute fuel and consume transuranic elements within the fuel, generate electricity, and support implementation of GNEP. DOE is also seeking to define the interest of industry to build upon their proven capabilities and participate in demonstrating spent nuclear fuel (SNF) recycling technologies that meet GNEP goals. This EOI will help inform DOE's GNEP Program as to those issues that industry and potential host sites consider important to the construction of sustainable, commercial-scale SNF recycling technologies that meet GNEP objectives. The information gained from this EOI will be used to create Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the proposed

DATES: Interested parties wishing to submit an EOI should do so in writing by September 8, 2006, to ensure their input is considered. A briefing for respondents to learn about DOE's baseline plan and answer EOI-related questions will be held on August 14, 2006, 8 am-12 pm, in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. The specific meeting location will be announced on the GNEP Web site, http:// www.gnep.energy.gov. Please indicate your interest in attending the briefing by sending an e-mail indicating your intent to attend to

GNEP_EOI_RSVP@nuclear.energy.gov. It is recognized that GNEP is moving forward on an aggressive schedule that will task all of the responders' abilities to provide quality information in a short period of time. DOE believes that GNEP can help to revitalize the U.S. nuclear industry and improve its global competitive position. Early participation by industry in this effort will greatly maximize GNEP's success.

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