

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary****Meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee****AGENCY:** Department of Defense.**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice announces a meeting of the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee. The committee will discuss the Department of the Army Historical Advisory Subcommittee's report and recommendations. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** Tuesday, June 24 at 10 a.m.**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held on the 5th Floor, Suite 5000, 1777 North Kent Street, Arlington, VA 22209-2133.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Pamela Bennett at 703-588-7889 or Ms. Carolyn Thorne at 703-588-7890 for information, and upon arrival at the building in order to be admitted.

May 23, 2008.

**Patricia L. Toppings,***OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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**BILLING CODE 5001-06-P****DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary****Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board****AGENCY:** Department of Defense.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463). The topic of the meeting on June 11-12, 2008 is to review new start and continuing research and development projects requesting Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program funds in excess of \$1M. This meeting is open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the Scientific Advisory Board at the time and in the manner permitted by the Board.

**DATES:** Wednesday, June 11, 2008 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Thursday, June 12, 2008 from 8 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.**ADDRESSES:** Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, 1706 Skibo Road, Fayetteville, NC 28303.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jonathan Bunker, SERDP Program Office, 901 North Stuart Street, Suite 303, Arlington, VA 22203, or by telephone at (703) 696-2126.

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**BILLING CODE 5001-06-P****DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION****Office of Postsecondary Education; Overview Information; Teachers for a Competitive Tomorrow: Programs for Baccalaureate Degrees in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, or Critical Foreign Languages, With Concurrent Teacher Certification; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008.**

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.381A.

**DATES:** *Applications Available:* June 6, 2008.*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* July 21, 2008.*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* September 17, 2008.**Full Text of Announcement****I. Funding Opportunity Description**

*Purpose of Program:* The purpose of this program is to develop and implement programs to provide integrated courses of study that lead to a baccalaureate degree in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or a critical foreign language with concurrent teacher certification.

*Priorities:* This notice contains one absolute priority and two invitational priorities. In accordance with 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2)(iv), the absolute priority is from section 6113(c) of the America COMPETES Act, 20 U.S.C 9813(c).

*Absolute Priority:* We are establishing this priority for the FY 2008 grant competition and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition. This priority is an absolute priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3), we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is:

Projects whose primary focus is on placing participants in high-need local educational agencies (LEAs). The definition of high-need LEA can be found in the America COMPETES Act, title VI, section 6112(3), and is described below.

*Invitational Priority:* Under this competition we are particularly interested in applications that address the following priority.

For FY 2008 and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, this priority is an invitational priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1), we do not give an application that meets this invitational priority a competitive or absolute preference over other applications.

This priority is:

Projects that propose to design specialized undergraduate programs specifically tailored to assist native speakers of critical foreign languages in becoming certified teachers *OR* programs that offer research-based teacher preparation programs suited to the particular needs of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics students.

*Definition:* For purposes of this competition and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, critical foreign languages are defined as Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Hindi, Urdu, Persian, and Turkish. Under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) the Department generally offers interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed definitions. Section 437(d)(1) of GEPA, however, allows the Secretary to exempt from rulemaking requirements, definitions governing the first grant competition under a new or substantially revised program authority. This is the first grant competition for this program under 20 U.S.C. 9811, *et seq.* and therefore qualifies for this exemption. In order to ensure timely grant awards, the Secretary has decided to forego public comment on the definition of critical foreign languages under section 437(d)(1) of GEPA. This definition will apply to the FY 2008 grant competition and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition.

**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 9811, *et seq.*

*Applicable Regulations:* The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR part 86 apply to institutions of higher education only.

**II. Award Information***Type of Award:* Discretionary grants.*Estimated Available Funds:* \$900,000.