

Rights Act of 1964. See the Ship Donation web page for the Civil Rights Compliance (Assurance of Compliance) Form located as Appendix D to Ship Donation Program Manual (NAVSEA Instruction 4520.1B), at this link: <http://teamships.crane.navy.mil/InactiveShips/Donation/applicationinfo.htm>;

b. Executive Summary: The applicant shall limit the Executive Summary submission to eleven (11) pages total. The Executive Summary must address the following:

(1) Organizational Description: Provide an overview of the applicant's organizational structure, functional components, and names of current key leadership and staff positions;

(2) Market Analysis: Summarize the local and regional market demand for additional museum/memorial attractions. Succinctly define the target market. Discuss the available demographic information, the existing competition in the local and regional area for visitor museum/memorial attractions, visitor attendance numbers for existing area museum/memorial attractions, and projected visitor attendance for the applicant's proposal;

(3) Marketing and Sales Outreach: Outline the overarching marketing strategy for integrating the proposed ship museum/memorial into the local and regional community, and how the applicant plans to penetrate that market. Provide an overview of customer and market analysis, marketing communications, and sales strategies;

(4) Museum/Memorial Services Assessment: Discuss the benefits the proposed ship museum/memorial will offer to visitors/customers and the community. Identify challenges anticipated in establishing a new ship museum/memorial. Cite available data/evidence regarding the willingness of a defined customer base to pay for the services being offered;

(5) Funding: Provide a Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) cost estimate that the applicant anticipates will be required to cover all costs associated with the acquisition/start-up costs of the proposed ship donation transfer, including mooring, towing, environmental surveys and cleanup, dredging, museum development, maintenance, refurbishment of the vessel to be used as a static public display, pier, insurance, legal services, etc. Separately provide a ROM cost estimate of the annual operational and support costs of the proposed ship museum/memorial. In addition, provide a ROM cost estimate of the applicant's cost of dismantling the vessel in the United States upon completion of its

use as a museum/memorial or in the event of bankruptcy or inability to properly maintain the vessel to be used as a static public display;

(6) Financial: Provide a summary of projected sources of income to support both the acquisition/start-up costs and the annual operational and support costs for the vessel used as a static public display;

(7) Environmental: Discuss the challenges anticipated in meeting the environmental requirements regarding hazardous materials, maintenance of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) containing materials, endangered species, dredging disposal, and required environmental permits from all cognizant authorities;

(8) Mooring: Discuss the approach to be proposed for the mooring plan for the vessel used as a static public display, including location, design, and mooring system in accordance with U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) requirements;

(9) Towing: Discuss the approach to be proposed for relocating the vessel from its current location to the proposed permanent berth location in conformance with the Navy Tow Manual and USCG requirements;

(10) Maintenance: Discuss the challenges in restoring and preserving for an indefinite period the steel-hulled vessel proposed as a ship museum/memorial; and

(11) Curatorial/Museum: Discuss the approach to be proposed for display and interpretation of the vessel used as a static public display, including collection management procedures.

The Phase I documentation (Letter of Intent and Executive Summary) must be submitted to the Navy Inactive Ships Program in hard copy and electronically on a CD-ROM in either an MS Word document or word searchable PDF format. The Phase I documentation must be mailed to: The Columbia Group, 1201 M Street, SE., Suite 020, Washington, DC 20003; marked for the Ship Donation Project Manager (PMS 333). Applicants are discouraged from photocopying, cutting and pasting, and generally providing information which is easily accessible via the internet and/or is already in the public domain. Original content which is specific to the vessel being donated is of greatest importance to the evaluators.

If the DoN does not receive satisfactory Phase I documentation (Letter of Intent and Executive Summary) from any applicant, the DoN reserves the right to enter into discussions with all applicants in an effort to achieve at least one acceptable submission; or remove the vessel from

donation consideration and proceed with disposal of the vessel.

Note that any future changes to guidelines, policy, and law will be reflected in the guidance published on the DoN Ship Donation web page located at: <http://teamships.crane.navy.mil/InactiveShips/Donation>. Guidance and requirements posted on the Ship Donation Web page shall take precedence over the contents of the **Federal Register** notice. Applicants are advised to read and follow the Web page guidance for the most current set of ship donation requirements.

For Further Information and Submission of Ship Donation Applications, Contact: Ms. Elizabeth Freese of the Naval Sea Systems Command, Navy Inactive Ships Program (PMS 333), telephone number 202-781-4423. Mailed correspondence should be addressed to: The Columbia Group, 1201 M Street SE., Suite 020, Washington, DC 20003; marked for Ship Donation Project Manager (PMS 333).

Dated: June 8, 2009.

A.M. Vallandingham,
Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Postsecondary Education; Overview Information; Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance
(CFDA) Number: 84.345A.

Dates:

Applications Available: June 15, 2009.
*Deadline for Transmittal of
Applications:* July 30, 2009.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental
Review:* September 28, 2009.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The purpose of the Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural (URR) Program is to help preserve the Underground Railroad's legacy and to help demonstrate how the Underground Railroad's widespread operations network transformed our Nation. In addition, the URR also promotes the formation of public-private partnerships to help disseminate information regarding the Underground Railroad throughout the United States,

including lessons to be drawn from the history of the Underground Railroad.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1153.

Applicable Regulations: The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 82, 84, 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:

\$1,945,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards:

\$500,000–\$1,000,000 total for up to three years.

Estimated Number of Awards: 2.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 36 months.

III. Eligibility Information

1. *Eligible Applicants:* Nonprofit educational organizations that are established to research, display, interpret, and collect artifacts relating to the history of the Underground Railroad, including the lessons to be drawn from such history.

2. *Cost Sharing or Matching:* The Federal Government may provide no more than 20 percent of the total funds for any project funded under this competition. See 20 U.S.C. 1153(b)(2). Applicants must provide the remaining funding from non-Federal public or private entities in an amount equal to or greater than four times the amount of the grant awarded under this section. All applicants will be required to provide documentation to substantiate their ability to meet the cost sharing requirement.

3. *Other:*

(a) Each nonprofit educational organization awarded a grant under this competition must establish a facility to—

(i) House, display, interpret, and communicate information regarding the artifacts and other materials related to the history of the Underground Railroad, including the lessons to be drawn from such history;

(ii) Maintain such artifacts and materials;

(iii) Make these efforts, as described in paragraph (i), available including through electronic means, to elementary and secondary schools, institutions of higher education, and the general public.

(b) Each grantee must demonstrate substantial public and private support for the operation of the facility through

the implementation of a public-private partnership between one or more State or local public entities and one or more private entities. This public-private partnership must provide the matching funds from non-Federal sources for the support of the facility, as described in the preceding section on cost sharing or matching.

(c) Each grantee must create an endowment to fund any and all shortfalls in the costs of the on-going facility operations.

(d) Grantees may establish and maintain a network of satellite centers throughout the United States to help disseminate information regarding the Underground Railroad, including the lessons to be drawn from the history of the Underground Railroad, if such satellite centers raise 80 percent of the funds required to establish the satellite centers from non-Federal public and private sources.

(e) In addition, grantees must establish and maintain the capability to electronically link the facility with other local and regional facilities that have collections and programs that interpret the history of the Underground Railroad, including the lessons to be drawn from such history.

IV. Application and Submission Information

1. *Address To Request Application Package:* You can obtain an application package via the Internet or from the Education Publications Center (ED Pubs). To obtain a copy via the Internet, use the following address: <http://e-grants.ed.gov>. To obtain a copy from ED Pubs, write, fax, or call the following: Education Publications Center, P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794–1398. Telephone, toll free: 1–877–433–7827. FAX: (301) 470–1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), call, toll free: 1–877–576–7734.

You can contact ED Pubs at its Web site, also: <http://www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html> or at its e-mail address: edpubs@inet.ed.gov.

If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this program or competition as follows: CFDA number 84.345A.

Individuals with disabilities can obtain a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) by contacting the person or team listed under *Accessible Format* in section VIII of this notice.

2. *Content and Form of Application Submission:* Requirements concerning the content of an application, together with the forms you must submit, are in

the application package for this competition.

Page Limit: The application narrative (Part III of the application) is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate your application. You must limit the application narrative to the equivalent of no more than 30 pages, using the following standards:

- A “page” is 8.5” x 11”, on one side only, with 1” margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.

- Double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, *except* titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions. Charts, tables, figures and graphs in the application narrative may be single spaced and will count toward the page limit.

- Use a font that is either 12 point or larger, or no smaller than 10 pitch (characters per inch). However, you may use a 10 point font in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.

- Use one of the following fonts: Times New Roman, Courier, Courier New, or Arial. An application submitted in any other font (including Times Roman or Arial Narrow) will not be accepted.

The page limit does not apply to Part I, the cover sheet; Part II, the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; Part IV, the assurances and certifications; the table of contents; the project abstract; or the appendix. The appendix may include only project documentation; one-page résumés for key personnel; letters of commitment from partners, satellite centers, or electronic linkage partners; letters from professionals who will ensure that the applicant creates, designates, or raises funds for the required project endowment; and bibliographical references or citations.

3. *Submission Dates and Times:*

Applications Available: June 15, 2009.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: July 30, 2009.

Applications for grants under this program must be submitted electronically using the Electronic Grant Application System (e-Application) accessible through the Department’s e-Grants site. Please do not use Grant.gov; the Department has moved its grant application mechanism to e-Application on e-Grants. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically, or in paper format by mail or hand delivery if you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, please refer to section IV. 6. *Other Submission Requirements* of this notice.

We do not consider an application that does not comply with the deadline requirements.

Individuals with disabilities who need an accommodation or auxiliary aid in connection with the application process should contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in section VII of this notice. If the Department provides an accommodation or auxiliary aid to an individual with a disability in connection with the application process, the individual's application remains subject to all other requirements and limitations in this notice.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: September 28, 2009.

4. *Intergovernmental Review:* This competition is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. Information about Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs under Executive Order 12372 is in the application package for this competition.

5. *Funding Restrictions:* We reference regulations outlining funding restrictions in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

6. *Other Submission Requirements:* Applications for grants under this competition must be submitted electronically unless you qualify for an exception to this requirement in accordance with the instructions in this section.

a. *Electronic Submission of Applications.*

Applications for grants under the Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural Program—CFDA number 84.345A—must be submitted electronically using e-Application, accessible through the Department's e-Grants Web site at: <http://e-grants.ed.gov>.

We will reject your application if you submit it in paper format unless, as described elsewhere in this section, you qualify for one of the exceptions to the electronic submission requirement and submit, no later than two weeks before the application deadline date, a written statement to the Department that you qualify for one of these exceptions. Further information regarding calculation of the date that is two weeks before the application deadline date is provided later in this section under *Exception to Electronic Submission Requirement*.

While completing your electronic application, you will be entering data online that will be saved into a database. You may not e-mail an electronic copy of a grant application to us.

Please note the following:

- You must complete the electronic submission of your grant application by 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date.

E-Application will not accept an application for this competition after 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you do not wait until the application deadline date to begin the application process.

- The hours of operation of the e-Grants Web site are 6:00 a.m. Monday until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday; and 6:00 a.m. Thursday until 8:00 p.m. Sunday, Washington, DC time. Please note that, because of maintenance, the system is unavailable between 8:00 p.m. on Sundays and 6:00 a.m. on Mondays, and between 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and 6:00 a.m. on Thursdays, Washington, DC time. Any modifications to these hours are posted on the e-Grants Web site.

- You will not receive additional point value because you submit your application in electronic format, nor will we penalize you if you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, as described elsewhere in this section, and submit your application in paper format.

- You must submit all documents electronically, including all information you typically provide on the following forms: The Application for Federal Assistance (SF 424), the Department of Education Supplemental Information for SF 424, Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED 524), and all necessary assurances and certifications. You must attach any narrative sections of your application as files in a .DOC (document), .RTF (rich text), or .PDF (Portable Document) format. If you upload a file type other than the three file types specified in this paragraph or submit a password protected file, we will not review that material.

- Your electronic application must comply with any page limit requirements described in this notice.

- Prior to submitting your electronic application, you may wish to print a copy of it for your records.

- After you electronically submit your application, you will receive an automatic acknowledgment that will include a PR/Award number (an identifying number unique to your application).

- Within three working days after submitting your electronic application, fax a signed copy of the SF 424 to the Application Control Center after following these steps:

(1) Print SF 424 from e-Application.

(2) The applicant's Authorizing Representative must sign this form.

(3) Place the PR/Award number in the upper right hand corner of the hard-copy signature page of the SF 424.

(4) Fax the signed SF 424 to the Application Control Center at (202) 245-6272.

- We may request that you provide us original signatures on other forms at a later date.

Application Deadline Date Extension in Case of e-Application Unavailability:

If you are prevented from electronically submitting your application on the application deadline date because e-Application is unavailable, we will grant you an extension of one business day to enable you to transmit your application electronically, by mail, or by hand delivery. We will grant this extension if—

(1) You are a registered user of e-Application and you have initiated an electronic application for this competition; and

(2)(a) E-Application is unavailable for 60 minutes or more between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date; or

(b) E-Application is unavailable for any period of time between 3:30 p.m. and 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date.

We must acknowledge and confirm these periods of unavailability before granting you an extension. To request this extension or to confirm our acknowledgment of any system unavailability, you may contact either (1) the person listed elsewhere in this notice under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** (see VII. Agency Contact) or (2) the e-Grants help desk at 1-888-336-8930. If e-Application is unavailable due to technical problems with the system and, therefore, the application deadline is extended, an e-mail will be sent to all registered users who have initiated an e-Application. Extensions referred to in this section apply only to the unavailability of e-Application.

Exception to Electronic Submission Requirement:

You qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, and may submit your application in paper format, if you are unable to submit an application through e-Application because—

- You do not have access to the Internet; or

- You do not have the capacity to upload large documents to e-Application; and

- No later than two weeks before the application deadline date (14 calendar days or, if the fourteenth calendar day before the application deadline date

falls on a Federal holiday, the next business day following the Federal holiday), you mail or fax a written statement to the Department, explaining which of the two grounds for an exception prevents you from using the Internet to submit your application. If you mail your written statement to the Department, it must be postmarked no later than two weeks before the application deadline date. If you fax your written statement to the Department, we must receive the faxed statement no later than two weeks before the application deadline date.

Address and mail or fax your statement to: Claire D. Cornell, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., room 6145, Washington, DC 20006-8544. FAX: (202) 502-7877.

Your paper application must be submitted in accordance with the mail or hand delivery instructions described in this notice.

b. *Submission of Paper Applications by Mail.*

If you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, you may mail (through the U.S. Postal Service or a commercial carrier) your application to the Department. You must mail the original and two copies of your application, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA Number 84.345A), LBJ Basement Level 1, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202-4260.

You must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following:

- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
- (4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education.

If you mail your application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A private metered postmark.
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

Note: The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

c. *Submission of Paper Applications by Hand Delivery.*

If you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, you (or a courier service) may deliver your paper application to the Department by hand. You must deliver the original and two copies of your application, by hand, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: CFDA Number 84.345A, 550 12th Street, SW., Room 7041, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-4260.

The Application Control Center accepts hand deliveries daily between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, except Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

Note for Mail or Hand Delivery of Paper Applications: If you mail or hand deliver your application to the Department—

(1) You must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 11 of the SF 424 the CFDA number, including suffix letter, if any, of the competition under which you are submitting your application; and

(2) The Application Control Center will mail to you a notification of receipt of your grant application. If you do not receive this grant notification within 15 business days from the application deadline date, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 245-6288.

V. **Application Review Information**

Selection Criteria: The selection criteria for this program are from 34 CFR 75.210 and include: significance (10 points); quality of the project design (40 points); adequacy of resources (20 points); quality of project personnel (10 points); and quality of the project evaluation (20 points). Additional information regarding these criteria is in the application package for this competition.

In making grant awards for this program, the Department will consider information concerning the applicant's performance and use of funds from a prior grant in this program, or in any other Department program, and will consider the applicant's failure to submit an acceptable performance report for a grant in this or any other Department program. 34 CFR 75.217(d)(3).

VI. **Award Administration Information**

1. **Award Notices:** If your application is successful, we notify your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN). We may notify you informally, also.

If your application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we notify you.

2. **Administrative and National Policy Requirements:** We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

3. **Reporting:** At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a multi-year award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as specified by the Secretary in 34 CFR 75.118. The Secretary may also require more frequent performance reports under 34 CFR 75.720(c). For specific requirements on reporting, please go to: <http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/appforms/appforms.html>.

In the annual and final reports, applicants must provide documentation of their efforts to collect, research, display, and interpret artifacts, digital resources, and other materials that collect, preserve, and disseminate information on the Underground Railroad's history, including the lessons to be drawn from such history. If they have created or designated satellite centers, they must provide documentation of their creation or designation of satellite centers, an account of the satellite centers' activities, and documentation of the satellite centers' 4:1 cost share. Grantees must also provide evidence of their creation of electronic links to other organizations and facilities that have collections and programs that interpret the history of the Underground Railroad and lessons drawn from such history. Grantees must document their efforts to make their resources and efforts available through electronic means, to elementary and secondary schools, to institutions of higher education, and to the general public. Finally, each annual report must contain the audited financial statement of the organization for the preceding fiscal year.

4. **Performance Measures:** Under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), the following measure will be used by the Department in assessing the performance of the Underground

Railroad Educational and Cultural Program: The extent to which funded projects have been institutionalized and are able to continue after URR funding ends.

If funded, you will be asked to collect and report data on these measures in your project's annual performance report (EDGAR, 34 CFR 75.590).

VII. Agency Contact

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For Further Information Contact: Claire D. Cornell, Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural Program, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., Room 6145, Washington, DC 20006-8544. Telephone: (202) 502-7609 or by e-mail: claire.cornell@ed.gov. The agency contact person does not mail application materials and does not accept applications.

If you use a TDD, call the Federal Relay Service, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

VIII. Other Information

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the program contact person listed under *For Further Information Contact* in section VII of this notice.

Electronic Access to This Document: You can view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) on the Internet at the following site: <http://www.ed.gov/news/fedregister>.

To use PDF, you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site. If you have questions about using PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), toll free, at 1-888-293-6498; or in the Washington, DC, area at (202) 512-1530.

Note: The official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Free Internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html>.

Delegation of Authority: The Secretary of Education has delegated authority to Daniel T. Madzellan, Director, Forecasting and Policy Analysis for the Office of Postsecondary Education, to perform the functions of the Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

Dated: June 9, 2009.

Daniel T. Madzellan,

Director, Forecasting and Policy Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB)

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Teleconferences.

SUMMARY: This notice announces two teleconferences of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these teleconferences be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: July 22, 2009, at 2-3 p.m. EDT and August 26, 2009, at 2-3 p.m. EDT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Burch, STEAB Designated Federal Officer, Office of Commercialization and Project Management, Golden Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401, Telephone 303-275-4801.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

Tentative Agenda: Discuss ways STEAB can support DOE's implementation of the Economic Recovery Act, support commercialization efforts for both energy efficiency and renewable energy, consider potential collaborative activities involving the State Energy Offices, and update members on other routine business matters.

Public Participation: The teleconferences are open to the public. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items, or who simply want to listen to the teleconferences, should contact Gary Burch at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the teleconferences; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the teleconferences. The Chair of the Board

is empowered to conduct the teleconferences in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the teleconferences will be available for public review and copying within 60 days on the STEAB Web site, <http://www.steab.org>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on June 10, 2009.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC)

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC) was established under section 807 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT), Public Law 109-58; 119 Stat. 849. The Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, requires that agencies publish notice of an advisory committee meeting in the **Federal Register**. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements during the public comment period, please e-mail HTAC@nrel.gov at least 5 business days before the meeting. Please indicate if you will be attending the meeting, whether you want to make an oral statement on July 15, 2009, and what organization you represent (if appropriate).

DATES: Wednesday, July 15, 2009, from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hartford/Windsor Marriott, 28 Day Hill Road, Windsor, CT 06095.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: HTAC@nrel.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary on the program authorized by title VIII of EPACT.

Tentative Agenda: (Subject to change; updates will be posted on <http://hydrogen.energy.gov> and copies of the final agenda will be available the date of the meeting). The following items will be covered on the agenda:

- DOE Program Update;
- Updates on Key Foreign Government Programs;