Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.394. **SUMMARY:** Under the SFSF program, authorized in Title XIV of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), Public Law No. 111-5, the U.S. Department of Education (Department) is awarding Education Stabilization funds in two phases. In Phase I, the Department awarded each State a portion of its SFSF Education Stabilization funds on the basis of the information included in its Application for Initial Funding. The Department is awarding the remainder of each State's allocation based on the information that the State will provide in its Phase II application.

In this notice, we establish the deadline for submission of the Phase II SFSF applications.

Application Deadline: January 11, 2010, 4:30:00 p.m. Washington, DC time.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A State that is unable to meet the deadline established in this notice may request an extension of the deadline. Such an extension request must, at a minimum, explain why the State seeks an extension and indicate when the State proposes to submit its application. Requests for an extension should be submitted to the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Electronic Submission of Applications:

A Governor must submit an electronic version of the State's application in .PDF (Portable Document) format to *PhaseIIapplication@ed.gov* by January 11, 2010, 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time. A Governor also must mail the original and two copies of the application to: Dr. Joseph C. Conaty, Director, Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 3E314, Washington, DC 20202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James Butler, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E108, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 260–9737 or via email: state.fiscal.fund@ed.gov.

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Program Authority: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Division A, sections 14001–14013.

Dated: November 10, 2009.

Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana,

Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Letter From the Secretary of Energy Accepting Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) Recommendation 2009–1

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) is making available the November 3, 2009, Secretary's letter to the Board accepting the Board's recommendation 2009–1 regarding quantitative risk assessment at defense nuclear facilities.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Energy, HS–1.1, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE is making this letter available for public information and solicits comments from the public. Comments may be sent to the address above. The text of the document is below. It may also be viewed at: http://www.hss.energy.gov/deprep/default.asp.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 10, 2009.

Mark B. Whitaker,

Departmental Representative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

November 3, 2009

The Honorable John E. Mansfield, Vice Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue, NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004–2941.

Dear Mr. Vice Chairman:

The Department of Energy (DOE) acknowledges receipt of the Defense Nuclear

Facilities Safety Board (Board) Recommendation 2009–1, *Risk Assessment Methodologies at Defense Nuclear Facilities*, issued on July 30, 2009, and published in the Federal Register on August 12, 2009.

We appreciate the Board's insights on how DOE can better define and use quantitative risk assessment methodologies to support DOE's primary deterministic approach for ensuring nuclear safety. DOE accepts Board Recommendation 2009–1 and will implement it as described in the enclosed Implementation Plan.

I have assigned Mr. Andrew Wallo, III, Deputy Director, Office of Nuclear Safety, Quality Assurance and Environment, Office of Health, Safety and Security, to be the Department's Responsible Manager for developing the Implementation Plan. He can be reached at (202) 586–4996.

Sincerely, Steven Chu Enclosure.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Coal Council

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the National Coal Council (NCC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Friday December 4, 2009; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: W Hotel, 515 15th Street NW., Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael J. Ducker, U.S. Department of Energy; 4G–036/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290; Telephone: 202–586–7810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To conduct an open meeting of the NCC and to provide a presentation on the new study conducted by the Council on carbon capture and storage technologies for use on coal-based electricity generation plants.

Agenda

- Welcome and Call to Order by NCC Chair Michael Mueller.
- Remarks by Secretary Stephen Chu, Department of Energy.
- Presentation by David Surber of the 25th Anniversary Video
- Presentation by Fred Palmer, NCC Coal Policy Committee Chairman, on the New Council Study.