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

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

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#### Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E9–30958 Filed 12–29–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# **Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy (DOE). **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Paducah. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Thursday, January 21, 2010, 6

ADDRESSES: Barkley Centre, 111 Memorial Drive, Paducah, Kentucky 42001.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Reinhard Knerr, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS–103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, (270) 441–6825.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

### **Tentative Agenda**

- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of Agenda
- Deputy Designated Federal Officer's Comments
- Federal Coordinator's Comments
- Liaisons' Comments
- Committee Chairs' Comments
- Presentations
- Understanding Risk—Rich

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- Administrative Issues
- New Business and
- Recommendations
   Public Comments
  - Final Comments
- Adjourn

Break's Taken As Appropriate

Public Participation: The EM SSAB,
Paducah, welcomes the attendance of

the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Reinhard Knerr at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the telephone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Reinhard Knerr at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Reinhard Knerr at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: http://www.pgdpcab.org/meetings.html.

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# Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E9–30961 Filed 12–29–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### **Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee. Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that notice of these meetings be announced in the Federal Register.

**DATES:** Thursday, January 28, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, January 29, 2010, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Sustainable Education Building, Room SEB#122, Georgia Institute of Technology, 790 Atlantic Drive, Atlanta, GA 30332–0355.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edith Allison, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Oil and Natural Gas, Washington, DC 20585. Phone: 202– 586–1023.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee is to provide advice on potential applications of methane hydrate to the Secretary of Energy, and assist in developing recommendations and priorities for the Department of Energy Methane Hydrate Research and Development Program.

## **Tentative Agenda**

Thursday, January 28, 2010

8:30 a.m. Registration
9 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
9:15 a.m. Report from Representative
Group of Committee Members on
meeting with Secretary Chu

9:45 a.m. Report on DOE Budget and Strategy for Field Testing

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Report and Discussion of Gulf of Mexico Joint Industry Project 2009 Expedition

11:30 a.m. Report and Discussion of ConocoPhillips Alaska North Slope CO<sub>2</sub> Injection Project

12:30 p.m. Working Lunch

1:45 p.m. Status Report on BP Alaska North Slope Proposed Production Test

2:15 p.m. Report and Discussion: Modeling Hydrate in the Global Climate Cycle

3 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Report on Post-Doctoral Fellowship and Laboratory R&D 4 p.m. Report on Beaufort Sea 2009 Expedition

4:30 p.m. Report on Gas Production from Hydrate Bearing Sediments: Geomechanical Implications

5 p.m. Adjourn for the day

Friday, January 29, 2010

8 a.m. Registration

8:30 a.m. Report and Discussion on National Research Council (NRC) Assessment and 2010 Report to Congress

10 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Continue Discussion of NRC Report

11 a.m. Discussion and Preparation of Recommendations to DOE

12 p.m. Working Lunch

1 p.m. Continue Preparation of Recommendations to DOE

3 p.m. Wrap up—Adjourn

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairman of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on