

interest to have a lapse in the provision of the resources currently provided by the NECTAC.

For these reasons, the Secretary waives the requirements in 34 CFR 75.250, which prohibit project periods exceeding five years; waives the requirements in 34 CFR 75.261(a) and (c), which limit the extension of a project period if the extension involves the obligation of additional Federal funds; and issues a continuation award under 34 CFR 75.253 in the amount of \$3,000,000 to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (H326H060005) to operate the NECTAC for an additional 12-month period.

Waiving these regulations and issuing this continuation award ensure that technical assistance is available to strengthen State and local early childhood systems and improve outcomes for infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities and families of infants, toddlers, and children receiving services under Part C of IDEA.

With this final extension of project period and waiver, the NECTAC will conduct the following activities during FY 2012:

(a) Develop products and services to respond to State needs prioritized on the basis of results of current needs-analyses and syntheses.

(b) Provide coordinated individualized and multi-State technical assistance services to address high-priority needs.

(c) Support State-specific technical assistance efforts specified by the Department's Office of Special Education Programs.

(d) Coordinate with other relevant national and State-level technical assistance efforts.

(e) Disseminate documents to a wide audience, including State and local directors of special education.

(f) Maintain the NECTAC's Web site.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

The Secretary certifies that this final extension of project period and waiver will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The only entities that will be affected are the current grantee serving as the NECTAC and any other potential applicants.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

The final extension of project period and the waiver do not contain any information collection requirements.

Intergovernmental Review

This program is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79.

One of the objectives of the Executive order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and a strengthened federalism. The Executive order relies on processes developed by State and local governments for coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance. This document provides early notification of our specific plans and actions for this program.

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Alexa Posny,
Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No. 84.326T]

National Technical Assistance and Dissemination Center for Children Who Are Deaf-Blind; Final Extension of Project Period and Waiver

AGENCY: Office of Special Education Programs, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of final extension of project period and waiver for the National Technical Assistance and Dissemination Center for Children Who Are Deaf-Blind.

SUMMARY: The Secretary issues this notice to waive the requirements in the

Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) that generally prohibit project periods exceeding five years and extensions of project periods involving the obligation of additional Federal funds. This extension of project period and waiver enables the currently funded National Technical Assistance and Dissemination Center for Children Who Are Deaf-Blind (Center) to receive funding from October 1, 2011, through September 30, 2013.

DATES: The extension of project period and waiver is effective August 12, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: JoAnn McCann, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4076, Potomac Center Plaza (PCP), Washington, DC 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 245-7434.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll-free, at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 7, 2011, the Department published a notice in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 32969) proposing an extension of project period and a waiver of 34 CFR 75.250 and 75.261(a) and (c) in order to—

(1) Enable the Secretary to provide additional funds to the currently funded Center for an additional 24-month period, from October 1, 2011, through September 30, 2013; and

(2) Request comments on the proposed extension of project period and waiver.

There are no substantive differences between the notice of proposed extension of project period and waiver and this notice of final extension of project period and waiver.

Public Comment

In response to our invitation in the notice of proposed extension of project period and waiver, we did not receive any substantive comments. Generally, we do not address comments that do not express views on the substance of the notice of proposed extension of project period and waiver.

Waiver of Delayed Effective Date

The Administrative Procedure Act requires that a substantive rule must be published at least 30 days before its effective date, except as otherwise provided for good cause (5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3)). We received no substantive comments on the notice of proposed extension of project period and waiver, and we have not made any substantive changes to the proposal. The Secretary has therefore determined to waive the delayed effective date to ensure a timely continuation grant to the entity affected.

Background

On December 22, 2005, the Department published a notice in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 76039) inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2006 for a Center. The purpose of the Center, which was funded under the Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities (TA&D) program, authorized under section 663 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), is to provide specialized technical assistance, training, dissemination, and informational services to States, families, and agencies and organizations that are responsible for the provision of early intervention, special education, and related and transitional services for children through age 21 who are deaf-blind. For purposes of this notice, the term "individuals who are deaf-blind" refers to infants, toddlers, children, youth and young adults through age 21 who are deaf-blind.

Based on the 2005 notice inviting applications, the Department made one award for a period of 60 months to Western Oregon University to establish the Center, which is currently known as the National Consortium on Deaf-Blindness (NCDB). The NCDB's major goals are three-fold. The first goal is to increase the capacity of State educational agencies (SEAs), local educational agencies (LEAs), early intervention programs, and other agencies to improve policies and practices that will result in appropriate assessment, planning, placement, and services for individuals who are deaf-blind. The second goal is to increase the capacity of State deaf-blind projects as well as State and local agencies to use evidence-based practices to improve outcomes for individuals who are deaf-blind. The third goal is to collaborate with Parent Training and Information Centers (PTIs) to build the capacity of families of individuals who are deaf-blind to build relationships with family, peers, service providers, employers, and others and develop their knowledge about and skills in self-advocacy and self-empowerment.

The NCDB accomplishes this mission through a combination of activities in the following areas: (1) Technical assistance to SEAs, LEAs, families, and organizations that are responsible for the provision of early intervention, special education, and related and transitional services for individuals who are deaf-blind; (2) collection and dissemination of information related to improving outcomes for individuals who are deaf-blind; and, (3) training to

address gaps in the knowledge of service providers, including gaps in the knowledge of evidence-based practices, to improve outcomes for individuals who are deaf-blind.

The NCDB's current project period is scheduled to end on September 30, 2011. We believe that it is not in the public interest to hold a new competition in 2011 to fund a new Center. This extension will align the end of the NCDB's project period with the end of the grants funded under the Projects for Children and Young Adults who are Deaf-Blind program (CFDA Number 84.326C). This alignment will enable the Department to develop a technical assistance strategy for individuals who are deaf-blind that maximizes the effectiveness and efficiency of the services provided. We also have concluded that it is not in the public interest to have a lapse in the provision of technical assistance services currently provided by the NCDB pending the development of a coordinated strategy for technical assistance for individuals who are deaf-blind. For these reasons, the Secretary waives the requirements in 34 CFR 75.250, which prohibit project periods exceeding five years; and waives the requirements in 34 CFR 75.261(a) and (c), which limit the extension of a project period if the extension involves the obligation of additional Federal funds; and issues a continuation award under 34 CFR 75.253 in the amount of \$4,200,000 to Western Oregon University (H326T060002) to operate the Center for an additional 24-month period.

Waiving these regulations and issuing this continuation award ensure that technical assistance, training, and dissemination of information to multiple recipients, including families, individuals who are deaf-blind, State projects for deaf-blind services, SEAs, LEAs, lead agencies under Part C of IDEA, and other State agencies, will not be interrupted during this period of time.

With this extension of project period and waiver, the NCDB will be required to conduct the following activities:

- (a) Continue identifying State project needs in order to provide universal, targeted, and intensive technical assistance and training, as appropriate.
- (b) Assist State deaf-blind projects (1) to increase collaboration among State deaf-blind projects, the PTIs, and other OSEP Technical and Assistance projects (2) to improve early intervention, instructional and behavioral practices by providing universal, targeted, and intensive technical assistance and training, as appropriate.

(c) Provide information to SEAs to aid in policy development related to services to individuals who are deaf-blind, as appropriate.

(d) Assist families and individuals who are deaf-blind to increase their capacity to build relationships with family, peers, service providers, employers, and others; and develop their knowledge about and skills in self-advocacy and self-empowerment.

(e) Assist personnel preparation training programs to work collaboratively with each other to increase the number of teachers and paraprofessionals who are prepared to provide effective services and implement evidence-based practices to improve outcomes for individuals who are deaf-blind.

(f) Collaborate with the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, other Federal technical assistance projects, and State agencies to improve practices and services in early intervention, special education, related services, and transitional services by facilitating inclusion of individuals who are deaf-blind in SEA and LEA initiatives, as appropriate.

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The Secretary certifies that the extension of project period and waiver will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The only entities that will be affected are the NCDB and any other potential applicants.

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Alexa Posny,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Nevada

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Committee of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Nevada. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, August 17, 2011, 2 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Nevada Site Office, 232 Energy Way, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denise Rupp, Board Administrator, 232 Energy Way, M/S 505, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030. Phone: (702) 657-9088; Fax: (702) 295-5300 or e-mail: ntscab@nv.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the Committee is to review and prepare comments on the draft site-wide EIS.

Tentative Agenda: The Committee members will review and prepare comments on the draft site-wide EIS.

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Nevada, welcomes the attendance of the public at its 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 Denise Rupp at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral presentations pertaining to agenda items should contact Denise Rupp at the telephone number listed above. The request 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. This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting date due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved prior to the meeting date.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing to Denise Rupp at the address listed above or at the following *Web site*: <http://nv.energy.gov/nssab/MeetingMinutes.aspx>.

Issued at Washington, DC on August 9, 2011.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Case No. CAC-033]

Decision and Order Granting a Waiver to Fujitsu General Limited From the Department of Energy Commercial Package Air Conditioner and Heat Pump Test Procedures

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

ACTION: Decision and Order.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Decision and Order in Case No. CAC-033, which grants Fujitsu General Limited (Fujitsu) a waiver from the existing DOE test procedures applicable to commercial package air-source central air conditioners and heat pumps. The waiver is specific to the Fujitsu AIRSTAGE V-II Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) multi-split commercial heat pump models specified in Fujitsu's petition for waiver. As a condition of this waiver, Fujitsu must use the alternate test procedure set forth in this notice to test and rate these AIRSTAGE V-II VRF multi-split commercial heat pumps.

DATES: This Decision and Order is effective August 12, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Michael G. Raymond, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, Mailstop EE-2J, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 586-9611. E-mail: Michael.Raymond@ee.doe.gov.

Ms. Elizabeth Kohl, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, Mail Stop GC-71, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0103. Telephone: (202) 586-7796. E-mail: Elizabeth.Kohl@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) 431.401(f)(4), DOE provides notice of the issuance of the Decision and Order set forth below. In this Decision and Order, DOE grants Fujitsu a waiver from the existing DOE commercial package air conditioner and heat pump test procedures for the basic models of AIRSTAGE V-II multi-splits set forth in its petition. DOE also requires the use of an alternate test procedure for this equipment. Fujitsu must use American National Standards Institute/Air-Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (ANSI/AHRI) Standard 1230-2010, "Performance Rating of VRF Multi-Split Air-Conditioning and Heat Pump Equipment" to test and rate the models of AIRSTAGE V-II VRF multi-split commercial heat pumps identified below. The cooling capacities of these models range from 72,000 Btu/h to 288,000 Btu/h.

Today's decision prohibits Fujitsu from making any representations concerning the energy efficiency of these products unless the product has been tested consistent with the provisions and restrictions in the alternate test procedure set forth in the Decision and Order below, and the