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Kate Mullan,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. 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, November 1, 2012 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Friday, November 2, 2012 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Red Lion Hanford House, 802 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tiffany Nguyen, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, 825 Jadwin Avenue, P.O. Box 550, A7-75, Richland, WA, 99352; Phone: (509) 376-3361; or Email: tiffany.nguyen@rl.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.

Tentative Agenda:

- Tri-Party Agreement Agencies—
 - Annual Updates
 - U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Richland Operations Office
 - U.S. DOE, Office of River Protection
 - State of Washington Department of Ecology
 - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Draft White Paper on Hanford Advisory Board (HAB) Values
- Draft Letter/Advice—Other HAB membership-related issues

- Overview of the Draft Injury Assessment Plan from the Hanford Natural Resources Trustee Council
- DOE's Land Conveyance Environmental Assessment: Overview of October 10 Public Scoping Meeting
 - Board Member Orientation (for both new and current members/alternates)
- Review of EM SSAB Letters
- Committee Reports
- Board Business—Selection of new HAB Chair

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The EM SSAB, Hanford, 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 Tiffany Nguyen at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone 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 Tiffany Nguyen 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 Tiffany Nguyen's office at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/hab>.

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LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Nationwide Categorical Waivers of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Amended Limited Waivers.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is hereby granting an Amended Waiver of section 1605 of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (Recovery Act Buy American provisions) in EERE-funded projects for (1) Enphase microinverters and (2) pre-insulated district heating pipe systems.

This amendment withdraws the nonavailability waiver issued on August 11, 2010 for Enphase micro-inverters, and the nonavailability waiver issued March 27, 2012 for pre-insulated district heating pipe systems.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 3, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christine Platt-Patrick, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), (202) 586-7691, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Mailstop EE-2K, Washington, DC 20585.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the authority of Recovery Act, Public Law 111-5, section 1605(b)(2), the head of a Federal department or agency may issue a "determination of inapplicability" (a waiver of the Buy American provision) if the iron, steel, or relevant manufactured good is not produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality ("nonavailability"). The authority of the Secretary of Energy to make all inapplicability determinations was re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), for EERE projects under the Recovery Act, in Redelegation Order No. 00-002.01E, dated April 25, 2011.

On August 11, 2010, The Assistant Secretary issued a nonavailability waiver for Enphase micro-inverters. On March 27, 2012 the Assistant Secretary issued a nonavailability waiver for pre-insulated district heating pipe systems consisting of thin wall thickness steel pipe meeting the EN13941 standard, bonded to polyurethane foam insulation, bonded to an HDPE jacket, such that all the components operate as a single pipe (including two 1.5 mm