technical issues that arise in the planning, managing, and implementation of DOE's nuclear energy program.

Additionally, the renewal of the NEAC has been determined to be essential to conduct business of the Department of Energy and to be the in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Department of Energy, by law and agreement. The Committee will continue to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, adhering to the rules and regulations in implementation of that Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert Rova, Designated Federal Officer at (301) 903–9096.

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Amy Bodette,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department

of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Renewal.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, (Pub. L. 92–463) and in accordance with title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, section 102–3.65, and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee's (BERAC) charter will be renewed for a two-year period.

The Committee provides advice and recommendations to the Director, Office of Science on the biological and environmental research programs.

Additionally, the renewal of the BERAC has been determined to be essential to conduct business of the Department of Energy's mission and to be in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Department of Energy by law and agreement. The Committee will operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, and rules and regulations issued in implementation of that Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Sharlene C. Weatherwax at (301) 903–3251.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (FESAC). 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: January 13, 2016, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., January 14, 2016, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

ADDRESSES: Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edmund J. Synakowski, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences; U.S. Department of Energy; 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290; Telephone: (301) 903–4941.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To discuss the series of technical workshops held in 2015. These workshops were initiated by the Office of Fusion Energy Sciences (FES) to seek community engagement and input for future program planning activities.

Tentative Agenda Items

- Discussion of the workshops on Integrated Simulations for Magnetic Fusion Energy Sciences, Plasma Transients, Plasma-Materials Interactions, and Plasma Science Frontiers.
- Perspective on Science and Energy at DOE.
- Current Status and Future Plans for ITER.
 - FES Perspective.
 - Public Comment.
 - Adjourn.

Note: Remote attendance of the FESAC meeting will be possible via Zoom.
Instructions can be found on FESAC Web site at http://science.energy.gov/fes/fesac/meetings/ or by contacting Dr. Samuel J. Barish by email at sam.barish@science.doe.gov or by phone (301) 903–2917.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. 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 an oral statement regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Dr. Ed Synakowski at (301) 903-8584 (fax) or ed.synakowski@ science.doe.gov (email). Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements during the Public Comments time on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; 1G–033, Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays; and on the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee Web site at http://science.energy.gov/fes/fesac/.

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LaTanya R. Butler,

 $\label{lem:committee Management Officer.} \\ \text{[FR Doc. 2015-31792 Filed 12-16-15; 8:45 am]}$

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site- Specific Advisory Board, Portsmouth

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), Portsmouth. 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: Thursday, January 7, 2016 6:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Ohio State University, Endeavor Center, 1862 Shyville Road, Piketon, Ohio 45661.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Simonton, Alternate Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office, Post Office Box 700, Piketon, Ohio 45661, (740) 897–3737, Greg.Simonton@lex.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: