

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Navy Health of the Force Survey; OMB Control Number 0703–0079.

*Needs and Uses:* The Navy Health of the Force Survey is a strategic level engagement survey of the Navy Active Duty population that addresses core measures relating to the health of the force, and addresses emergent issues of interest to Navy leadership. The core survey questions support trend analysis on the following metrics: Sailor job satisfaction, retention plans, and influences to stay or leave; Health of the Force Metrics: Connectedness, cohesion, organizational commitment, job satisfaction, and inclusion; and diversity, equity, and inclusion in the Navy. The survey alternates between addressing issues pertaining to the work environment (odd years) and issues pertaining to programs and policies that support Sailors personal lives (even years). The survey is being revised in 2023 to include Navy Reserve Personnel and add questions related to their experience. Additionally, new questions relating to trust, work/life balance, safe work environments, and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation support services. The results of the annual engagement survey inform the Navy's Health of the Force Report to Congress, congressional testimony, and support program and policy assessments.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 14,583.33.

*Number of Respondents:* 35,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 35,000.

*Average Burden per Response:* 25 minutes.

*Frequency:* Annually.

Dated: March 17, 2023.

**Aaron T. Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an open virtual meeting of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these

meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Tuesday, April 25, 2023; 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting is open to the public. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. Information to participate can be found on the website closer to the meeting date at <https://science.osti.gov/bes/besac/Meetings>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kerry Hochberger; Office of Basic Energy Sciences; U.S. Department of Energy; Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585; Telephone: (301) 903–7661 or Email: [kerry.hochberger@science.doe.gov](mailto:kerry.hochberger@science.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of this Board is to make recommendations to DOE–SC concerning the basic energy sciences research program.

*Tentative Agenda:*

- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of the Agenda
- Welcome From the Office of Science
- News From the Office of Basic Energy Sciences
- News on the Materials Sciences and Engineering Committee of Visitors
- Panel Discussion: *Fundamental Research for Microelectronics*
- Updates on the 2023 BESAC Charge
- Panel Discussion: *Nanoscale Science Research Centers (NSRCs)*
- Public Comment
- Adjourn

Breaks taken as appropriate.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. A webcast of this meeting will be available. Please check the website below for updates and information on how to view the meeting. 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 the agenda, you should contact Kerry Hochberger at [kerry.hochberger@science.doe.gov](mailto:kerry.hochberger@science.doe.gov). You must request an oral statement at least five business days before the meeting. Reasonable provisions will be made to include the scheduled oral statements 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 rule. Information about the committee can be found at: <https://science.osti.gov/bes/besac>.

*Minutes:* The minutes of this meeting will be available for review on the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Basic Energy Sciences website at: <https://science.osti.gov/bes/besac/Meetings>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 17, 2023.

**LaTanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Notice of Availability of Guidance and Application for Hydroelectric Efficiency Improvement Incentives**

**AGENCY:** Grid Deployment Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of guidance and open application period.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) Grid Deployment Office (GDO) gives notice of availability of guidance for the Hydroelectric Efficiency Improvement Incentives as authorized through the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPA 2005), as amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) of 2021, and the opening of the 2023 application period. The guidance describes the hydroelectric efficiency improvement incentives payment requirements, including application requirements, that qualified hydroelectric facilities must provide DOE when applying for hydroelectric efficiency improvement incentives.

**DATES:** DOE is currently accepting applications from March 22, 2023 through 5:00 p.m. ET, June 20, 2023. Applications must be submitted to the Clean Energy Infrastructure Funding Opportunity eXCHANGE located at <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/> by 5:00 p.m. ET, June 20, 2023, or they will not be considered timely filed for calendar year 2023 incentive payments.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are to submit applications electronically to the Clean Energy Infrastructure Funding Opportunity eXCHANGE, located at <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/>. The guidance is available via the GDO website <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/section-243-hydroelectric-efficiency-improvement-incentives-program>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions may be addressed to Ms. Luciana Ciocci, U.S. Department of Energy, Grid Deployment Office, 1000 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 480–5768 or by email at [hydroelectricincentives@hq.doe.gov](mailto:hydroelectricincentives@hq.doe.gov). Further instruction can be found in the Guidance posted at <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/section-243-hydroelectric-efficiency-improvement-incentives-program>. *Electronic*

*communications are recommended for correspondence.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Grid Deployment Office provides notice of availability of guidance and the opening of the 2023 application period pertaining to section 243 of EPA Act 2005, Hydroelectric Efficiency Improvement Incentives, as amended by section 40332 IJA of 2021, Public Law 117–58.<sup>1</sup> As initially announced in the February 2023 notice of intent, the guidance sets out the eligibility requirements, general application requirements and process, procedures for processing applications, allocation of funding for eligible projects in the event of oversubscription, and funding restrictions.<sup>2</sup>

The guidance document describes the application process and the information necessary for the Secretary of Energy to make incentive payments to the owners and authorized operators of qualified hydroelectric facilities at existing dams to be used to make capital improvements in the facilities that are directly related to improving the efficiency of such facilities by at least three percent pursuant to section 243 of EPA Act 2005.<sup>3</sup>

Under the statute, the incentive payments include the following limitations: an incentive payment shall not exceed 30 percent of the costs of the applicable capital improvement(s); no more than one incentive payment may be made to a single qualified hydroelectric facility in any fiscal year; and that shall not exceed \$5,000,000.<sup>4</sup>

The guidance is available at: <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/section-243-hydroelectric-efficiency-improvement-incentives-program>. Each application will be reviewed based on the guidance. Interested parties are to submit applications electronically to the Clean Energy Infrastructure Funding Opportunity eXCHANGE, located at <https://infrastructure-exchange.energy.gov/>.

When submitting an application to DOE for section 243 of EPA Act 2005, Hydroelectric Efficiency Improvement Incentives, it is recommended that applicants carefully read and review the completed contents of the guidance for this process. When reviewing applications, DOE may corroborate the information provided with information that DOE finds through FERC e-filings and other due diligence measures carried out by reviewing officials. DOE may require the applicant to conduct

and submit an independent audit at its own expense, or DOE may conduct an audit to verify efficiency improvements claimed by the qualified hydroelectric facility.

A public webinar will be held in the coming weeks to provide clarity on the guidance document, as necessary. The webinar will be held in a question-and-answer format with registration details available at <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/section-243-hydroelectric-efficiency-improvement-incentives-program>.

#### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on March 16, 2023, by Maria Duaine Robinson, Director of the Grid Deployment Office, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 16, 2023.

**Treena V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

**AGENCY:** Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an in-person/virtual hybrid meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, April 19, 2023; 9 a.m.–4 p.m. PDT; Thursday, April 20, 2023; 9 a.m.–3 p.m. PDT.

**ADDRESSES:** This hybrid meeting will be in-person at the Red Lion Hotel, Yakima Center (address below) and virtually. To receive the virtual access information and call-in number, please contact the

Federal Coordinator, Gary Younger, at the telephone number or email listed below at least five days prior to the meeting.

The meeting will be held, strictly following COVID–19 precautionary measures, at: Red Lion Hotel, Yakima Center, 607 East Yakima Avenue, Yakima, WA 98908.

Attendees should check with the Federal Coordinator (below) for any meeting format changes due to COVID–19 protocols.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gary Younger, Federal Coordinator, U.S. Department of Energy, Hanford Office of Communications, Richland Operations Office, P.O. Box 550, Richland, WA 99354; Phone: (509) 372–0923; or Email: [gary.younger@rl.doe.gov](mailto:gary.younger@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' Updates
- Discussion of Board Business

*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 Gary Younger 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 within five business days after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gary Younger. 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 at the following website: <http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/hab/FullBoardMeetingInformation>.

<sup>1</sup> Public Law 117–58, div. D, title III, § 40332(a).

<sup>2</sup> 88 FR 8837 (Feb. 10, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> 42 U.S.C. 15882(a).

<sup>4</sup> 42 U.S.C. 15882(b).