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Department of Energy Issues Request for Proposal for Disposition of Nickel at Paducah and Oak Ridge Facilities

Cincinnati, OH – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today issued a solicitation for a sales agreement to solicit proposals to buy approximately 15,300 tons of radiologically-contaminated nickel scrap recovered from uranium enrichment process equipment at the Department's Paducah, Kentucky, and Oak Ridge, Tennessee facilities.

The potential buyer will be required to declassify and decontaminate the nickel scrap prior to gaining title. The title transfer and the sale will occur only upon DOE certification of declassification and decontamination of the nickel and compliance with DOE property management requirements. The nickel will be transported, processed, and/or reused/recycled into products that will be used in radiologically-controlled applications. This material is NOT intended for unrestricted release for recycling into commerce and no nickel disposition activities will be performed outside of the United States.

All proposals to this solicitation must be received by the Department no later than July 28, 2010. The document is available online at the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) at: <http://e-center.doe.gov/iips/busopor.nsf/UNID/391032F76FCB0B7785257713006E1F34?OpenDocument> and the Nickel Disposition website at <http://www.emcbc.doe.gov/nickel> and at the Federal Business Opportunities website at <https://www.fbo.gov/>.

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