

title shall constitute a commitment by the United States to make payments in accordance with such agreement.

(Pub. L. 97-425, title I, §171, as added Pub. L. 100-202, §101(d) [title III, §300], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V, §5031, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-237.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 100-202 and Pub. L. 100-203 added identical sections.

**§ 10173b. Review Panel**

**(a) In general**

The Review Panel required to be established by section 10173a(b)(1) of this title shall consist of a Chairman selected by the Secretary in consultation with the Governor of the State or governing body of the Indian tribe, as appropriate, that is party to such agreement and 6 other members as follows:

- (1) 2 members selected by the Governor of such State or governing body of such Indian tribe;
- (2) 2 members selected by units of local government affected by the repository or monitored retrievable storage facility;
- (3) 1 member to represent persons making payments into the Waste Fund, to be selected by the Secretary; and
- (4) 1 member to represent other public interests, to be selected by the Secretary.

**(b) Terms**

(1) The members of the Review Panel shall serve for terms of 4 years each.

(2) Members of the Review Panel who are not full-time employees of the Federal Government, shall receive a per diem compensation for each day spent conducting work of the Review Panel, including their necessary travel or other expenses while engaged in the work of the Review Panel.

(3) Expenses of the Panel shall be paid by the Secretary from the Waste Fund.

**(c) Duties**

The Review Panel shall—

- (1) advise the Secretary on matters relating to the proposed repository or monitored retrievable storage facility, including issues relating to design, construction, operation, and decommissioning of the facility;
- (2) evaluate performance of the repository or monitored retrievable storage facility, as it considers appropriate;
- (3) recommend corrective actions to the Secretary;
- (4) assist in the presentation of State or affected Indian tribe and local perspectives to the Secretary; and
- (5) participate in the planning for and the review of preoperational data on environmental, demographic, and socioeconomic conditions of the site and the local community.

**(d) Information**

The Secretary shall promptly<sup>1</sup> make available promptly<sup>1</sup> any information in the Secretary's

possession requested by the Panel or its Chairman.

**(e) Federal Advisory Committee Act**

The requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act shall not apply to a Review Panel established under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 97-425, title I, §172, as added Pub. L. 100-202, §101(d) [title III, §300], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V, §5031, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-239.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (e), is Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 100-202 and Pub. L. 100-203 added identical sections.

**§ 10173c. Termination**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary may terminate a benefits agreement under this subchapter if—

- (1) the site under consideration is disqualified for its failure to comply with guidelines and technical requirements established by the Secretary in accordance with this chapter; or
- (2) the Secretary determines that the Commission cannot license the facility within a reasonable time.

**(b) Termination by State or Indian tribe**

A State or Indian tribe may terminate a benefits agreement under this subchapter only if the Secretary disqualifies the site under consideration for its failure to comply with technical requirements established by the Secretary in accordance with this chapter or the Secretary determines that the Commission cannot license the facility within a reasonable time.

**(c) Decisions of Secretary**

Decisions of the Secretary under this section shall be in writing, shall be available to Congress and the public, and are not subject to judicial review.

(Pub. L. 97-425, title I, §173, as added Pub. L. 100-202, §101(d) [title III, §300], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V, §5031, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-240.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 100-202 and Pub. L. 100-203 added identical sections.

PART G—OTHER BENEFITS

**§ 10174. Consideration in siting facilities**

The Secretary, in siting Federal research projects, shall give special consideration to proposals from States where a repository is located.

(Pub. L. 97-425, title I, §174, as added Pub. L. 100-202, §101(d) [title III, §300], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V, §5031, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-240.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 100-202 and Pub. L. 100-203 added identical sections.

<sup>1</sup> So in original.