

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, OFFICE OF SCIENCE
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA)
ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION NOTIFICATION

To be completed by "Applicant," i.e., organization with responsibilities for a "Federal action" involving application to DOE for a permit, license, exemption or allocation, or other similar actions. For assistance, refer to "Instructions for Preparing Environmental Evaluation Notification."

Solicitation/Award No. (if applicable): DE-FOA-0002809

Organization Name: Tokamak Energy Inc.

Proposed Action Title: ST-E1 Preliminary Design Review for a Fusion Pilot Plant

Total DOE Funding/Total Funding: \$3M / 18 months

I. Project Description: (Use explanation pages if additional space is required)

A. Proposed Project/Action (if applicable, delineate Federally funded/Non-Federally funded portions)

- The design will:
Approximate a Fusion Pilot Plant's scientific, technical, commercial, and economic requirements.
Achieve and sustain an adequate energy gain.
Develop the engineering solutions for fusion's extreme conditions inside the reactor.
Develop a sustainable fuel cycle involving tritium.
Realize the necessary technological advances to sustain gain, manage fusion conditions, and maintain the fuel cycle.
Deliver a preliminary-design review.
There will be some laboratory validation, but this is primarily a preliminary design project.

B. Would the project proceed without Federal funding?

No, not at this pace. Yes [] No [X]

If "yes," use explanation page.

II. Description of Affected Environment: (Use explanation pages if additional space is required)

No environment will be affected, as this project's product is a design, only, not a facility or commodity in Bruceon Mills WV.

III. Preliminary Questions:

- | | | Yes | No |
|---|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| A. | Is the DOE-funded work routinely administrative or <i>entirely</i> advisory or a "paper study?" | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>(There will be some laboratory validation)</i> | | | |
| If "Yes", ensure that the description in Section I reflects this and go directly to Section V. | | | |
| B. | Is there any potential whatsoever for: (Provide an explanation for each "Yes" response) | | |
| 1. | Work to be performed outdoors? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. | Major modification of a building facade or interior? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. | Threat of violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. | Siting, construction or major expansion of waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. | Disturbance to hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants preexisting in the environment? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. | The presence of any environmentally-sensitive resources? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. | Any potential whatsoever for high consequence impacts to human health or the environment? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. | The work being connected to another existing/proposed activity that could potentially create a significant impact? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. | Nearby past, present, and/or reasonably foreseeable future actions such that collectively significant impacts could result? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. | Scientific or public controversy, uncertainty over potential impacts, or conflicts regarding resource usage? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

If "No" to ALL Section III.B. questions, go directly to Section V.

IV. Potential Environmental Effects: **(Provide an explanation for each "Yes" response)**

- A. Environmentally Sensitive Resources: Could the proposed action potentially result in changes and/or disturbances to any of the following resources?

- | | | Yes | No |
|-----|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Threatened/Endangered Species and/or Critical Habitats | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. | Other Protected Species (e.g., Burros, Migratory Birds, Pollinators) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. | Tundra, Coral Reefs, or Rain Forests | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. | Cultural or Historic Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. | Important Farmland | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. | Non-Attainment Areas for Ambient Air Quality Standards | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. | Class I Air Quality Control Region | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. | Special Sources of Groundwater (e.g., Sole Source Aquifer) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. | Navigable Air Space | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. | Coastal Zones | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. | Areas with Special National Designation (e.g. National Forests, Parks, Trails) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. | Floodplains and/or Wetlands | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

- B. Regulated Substances/Activities: Would the proposed action involve any of the following regulated items or activities?

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|-----|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 13. | Natural Resource Damage Assessments | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. | Invasive Species or Exotic Organisms | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15. | Noxious Weeds | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16. | Clearing or Excavation greater than one acre or Removal of Trees Governed by Local Requirement | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17. | Dredge or Fill (under Clean Water Act, Section 404, greater than one acre) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

B. Regulated Substances/Activities: Would the proposed action involve any of the following regulated items or activities? (continued)

	Yes	No
18. Noise (in excess of regulations)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
19. Asbestos Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20. Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
21. Import, Manufacture, or Processing of Toxic Substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
22. Chemical Storage/Use Including Emerging Chemicals (e.g., PFAS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
23. Pesticide Use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
24. Hazardous, Toxic, or Criteria Pollutant Air Emissions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
25. Liquid Effluents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
26. Spill Prevention/Surface Water Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
27. Underground Injection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
28. Hazardous Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
29. Underground Storage Tanks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
30. Radioactive or Radioactive Mixed Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
31. Radiation Exposure (radiation will be involved, but no exposure to it will be involved)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
32. Nanoscale Materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
33. Genetically Engineered Microorganisms/Plants or Synthetic Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
34. Ozone Depleting Substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35. Greenhouse Gas Generation/Sustainability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36. Off-Road Vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37. Biosafety Level 3-4 Laboratory	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38. Research on Human Subjects or other Vertebrate Animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
39. Facility footprint exceeds 5,000 Square Feet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

C. Other Relevant Information: Would the proposed action involve the following?

	Yes	No
40. Disproportionate Nearby Presence of Minority and/or Low Income Populations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
41. Existing, Modified, or New Federal/State Permits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
42. Involvement of Another Federal Agency (e.g. license/permit, funding, approval)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
43. Action in a State with NEPA-type law	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44. Action Would Require Expansion of Public Utilities/Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45. Depletion of a Non-Renewable Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
46. Subject to an Existing Institutional Work Planning and Control Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
47. Other Pertinent Information Which Could Impact Human Health or the Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

V. Applicant certification that to the best of their knowledge all information provided on this Notification is accurate:

Does this disclosure contain: classified, sensitive business, or other exempt information that DOE would not be obligated to disclose pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. Yes No

A. Organization Official (Name and Title): Mark Koepke, Vice President for Research & Development

Signature: Mark Koepke Date: 14 August 2023

e-mail: mark.koepke@tokamakenergy.com Phone: 304 904 7144

B. Optional Secondary Approval (Name and Title): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

e-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Remainder to be completed by DOE

VI. DOE Concurrence/Recommendation/Determination:

A. DOE Project Director/Program Manager or Contract/Grant Management Specialist:

Has the Applicant completed this Notification correctly?

Yes

No

Does an existing generic categorical exclusion apply?

If yes, indicate: _____

Name and Title: Tanisha Smith, Grants Management Specialist

Signature: _____ Date: _____

B. DOE NEPA Team Review (if requested):

Is the class of action identified in the DOE NEPA Regulations (Appendices A-D to Subpart D (10 CFR § 1021))?

Yes

No

If yes, specify the class(es) of action: A9, A11 and B3.6

Name and Title: Environmental Engineer

Signature: _____ Date: _____

C. DOE Counsel (if requested):

Name and Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

D. DOE NEPA Compliance Officer:

The preceding pages are a record of documentation required under DOE Final NEPA Regulation, 10 CFR § 1021.410.

Action may be categorically excluded from further NEPA review. I have determined that the proposed action meets the requirements for Categorical Exclusion referenced above.

Action requires approval by Head of the Field Organization. Recommend preparation of an Environmental Assessment.

Action requires approval by Head of the Field Organization or the SC Director of Field Operations. Recommend preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement.

Comments/limitations if any:

NEPA Compliance Officer:

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Optional Additional Narrative: (add additional detail to description to Sections I and II or explanations to responses in Sections 3 and 4.