

served 12 months in an Ohio prison. The Acting Deputy Administrator is extremely dismayed by Respondent's conduct which led to his conviction. As Judge Bittner noted, "[m]aintaining the boundary between the licit and illicit drug markets is one of the greatest responsibilities placed upon a DEA registrant." However, this conduct occurred in 1988, and there is no evidence that Respondent has engaged in such behavior since that time. Further, Respondent has expressed remorse for his past actions.

The Administrative Law Judge concluded that Respondent practices medicine in an underserved area, that the conduct which led to his conviction occurred eight years before the hearing in this matter, and that Respondent's subsequent misprescribing of controlled substances "was due to ignorance rather than an intent to circumvent the Controlled Substances Act and its implementing regulations." Therefore, Judge Bittner concluded "that the public interest is best served by granting Respondent's application, contingent upon his demonstrating knowledge, understanding, and acceptance of the obligations concomitant to a DEA registration." Judge Bittner recommended that Respondent's application for registration be granted upon demonstration of completion of a course of at least 16 hours in the regulation and proper handling of controlled substances.

The Acting Deputy Administrator finds that the Government has established a *prima facie* case for the denial of Respondent's application for registration in light of Respondent's conviction, his improper prescribing of controlled substances, and his apparent lack of knowledge regarding the proper handling of controlled substances. However, the Acting Deputy Administrator also finds that the conduct which led to Respondent's conviction occurred in 1988, and there is no evidence of any similar conduct since that time. His improper prescribing of controlled substances occurred in 1993, and likewise, there is no evidence of any similar conduct since that time.

Therefore, the Acting Deputy Administrator finds that it would not be in the public interest at this time to deny Respondent's application for registration. Nevertheless, in light of Respondent's apparent lack of knowledge regarding the proper handling of controlled substances, the Acting Deputy Administrator agrees with Judge Bittner that Respondent should undergo at least 16 hours of formal training in the regulation and

proper handling of controlled substances before being issued a DEA registration.

The Acting Deputy Administrator has considered Respondent's July 22, 1997 letter requesting that the Deputy Administrator approve a program that Respondent intends to attend in November 1997, as acceptable to meet the Administrative Law Judge's recommended condition of registration, and that the Deputy Administrator issue Respondent a temporary DEA registration upon proof that Respondent has registered for the program. The Acting Deputy Administrator concludes that the course Respondent intends to attend, or a similar course, would be acceptable to fulfill the training condition of registration. However, in light of Respondent's apparent lack of knowledge regarding the proper handling of controlled substances, the Acting Deputy Administrator declines to grant Respondent a temporary registration pending the completion of the course. The purpose of requiring Respondent to undergo this training is for Respondent to have an understanding and appreciation of the laws and regulations relating to controlled substances, before he is issued his own DEA registration to handle such substances.

Accordingly, the Acting Deputy Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, pursuant to the authority vested in him by U.S.C. 823 and 824 and 28 C.F.R. 0.100(b) and 0.104, hereby orders that the application for a DEA Certificate of Registration submitted by Oscar I. Ordonez, M.D., be, and it hereby is granted upon receipt by the DEA Indianapolis office of evidence of successful completion of at least 16 hours of formal training in the regulation and proper handling of controlled substances. This order is effective August 18, 1997.

Dated: August 11, 1997.

James S. Milford,

Acting Deputy Administrator.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 97-114]

Prospective Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of prospective patent license.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Utilix, Inc. of P.O. Box 991,

Greenville, NC 27834, has applied for a partially exclusive license to practice the inventions described and claimed in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,166,679; 5,214,388; 5,363,051; 5,442,347; 5,373,245; 5,515,001; 5,521,515; 5,539,292 entitled respectively, "Driven Shield Capacitive Proximity Sensor," "Phase Discrimination Capacitive Array Sensor System," "Steering Capaciflector Sensor," "Double Driven Shield Capacitive Type Proximity Sensor," "Capaciflector Camera," "Current Measuring OP-AMP Devices," "Frequency Scanning Capaciflector," and "Capaciflector-Guided Mechanisms" and the following NASA invention disclosed in NASA Case No. GSC 13,710-1, "3-D Capaciflector." All of the aforementioned inventions are assigned to the United States of America as represented by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The field of use will be limited to utility meter reading applications. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license to Utilix, Inc. should be sent to Ms. Eileen Lehmann.

DATES: Responses to this notice must be received by October 17, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Eileen Lehmann, Patent Attorney, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Mail Code 204, Greenbelt, MD 20771; telephone (301) 286-7351.

Dated: August 7, 1997.

Edward A. Frankle,

General Counsel.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Information Security Oversight Office; National Industrial Security Program Policy Advisory Committee: Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.2) and implementing regulation 41 CFR 101.6, announcement is made for the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: National Industrial Security Program Policy Advisory Committee (NISPPAC).

Date of Meeting: September 11, 1997.

Time of Meeting: 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Place of Meeting: National Imagery and Mapping Agency, 3200 South Second Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63118-3399.

Purpose: To discuss National Industrial Security Program policy matters.

This meeting will be open to the public. However, due to space limitations and access procedures, the names and telephone numbers of individuals planning to attend must be submitted to the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO) no later than September 5, 1997. ISOO will provide additional instructions for gaining access to the location of the meeting.

For Further Information Contact: Steven Garfinkel, Director, Information Security Oversight Office, National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 100, Washington, DC 20408, telephone (202) 219-5250.

Dated: August 11, 1997.

Mary Ann Hadyka,

Policy and Communications Staff.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee Management; Notice of Establishment

The Deputy Director of the National Science Foundation and the Chairman of the National Science Board have determined that the establishment of the NSB Public Service Award Committee is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Director, National Science Foundation (NSF), by 42 U.S.C. 1861 et seq. This determination follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration and the Office of Management and Budget.

Name of Committee: NSB Public Service Award Committee.

Purpose: To provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Board on the selection of the NSB Public Service Award recipient. The NSB Public Service Award is a nonmonetary annual award designed to recognize individuals, a company, corporation, or organization, for their contribution in increasing the public's understanding of science.

Balanced Membership Plans. The Committee will be balanced with eight members, six appointed and two ex officio, selected from the academic, scientific, and the private sectors who are knowledgeable about the public's view and understanding of science and technology and its importance in today's society. The two ex officio members are the Director, National Science Foundation; and Chairman, National Science Board.

Responsible NSF Official: Susan Fannoney, Executive Secretary of the Public Service Award Committee, National Science Board, Room 1225, National Science Foundation, 4301

Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22300, telephone (703) 306-2000.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Earth Sciences Proposal Review Panel; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

Name: Earth Sciences Proposal Review Panel (1569).

Date: September 10, 11, & 12, 1997.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day.

Place: Rooms 310, 340, 360, 380, & 390, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Alan M. Gaines, Section Head, Division of Earth Sciences, Room 785, National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA, (703) 306-1553.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate earth sciences proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Engineering; Committee of Visitors; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

Name: Advisory Committee for Engineering (1170).

Date and Time: September 4-5, 1997, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Place: Rm. 530, NSF, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. George A. Hazelrigg, Program Director, Division of Design and Integration Engineering Program, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1330.

Purpose of Meeting: To carry out Committee of Visitors (COV) review, including examination of decisions on proposals, reviewer comments, and other privileged materials.

Agenda: To provide oversight review of the Design and Integration Engineering Program.

Reason for Closing: The meeting is closed to the public because the Committee is reviewing proposal actions that will include privileged intellectual property and personal information that could harm individuals if they are disclosed. If discussions were open to the public, these matters that are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act would be improperly disclosed.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Experimental Programs to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR); Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Experimental Programs to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) #1198.

Date & Time: September 8, 1997, 11:30 am-6:00 pm; September 9, 1997, 8:00 am-12:00 noon.

Place: Crystal City Hyatt, 2799 South Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202, PHONE (703) 418-1234, FAX (703) 418-1233.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Richard J. Anderson, Head, Office of Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 875, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1683.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate science and technology infrastructure improvement proposals from states participating in the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research. Proposals request support for 36 month non-renewable EPSCoR Cooperative Agreements and are submitted in response to NSF solicitation 95-141.

Reason For Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as