session; and an open forum period for public comment.

An open forum for public participation will be held on November 10 from 4:05 to 5:05 p.m. on issues relevant to the Commission's work. Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation must contact Mr. Tim Bidwill by telephone only at (202) 523–8217 no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST), November 6, 1998. No requests will be accepted before 9:00 a.m. (PST) or 12:00 p.m. (EST) the day this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

Callers will be asked to provide name, organization (if applicable), address, and daytime telephone number. Callbacks from staff may be required. No requests will be accepted via mail, facsimile, e-mail, or voice mail. A waiting list will be compiled once the allotted number of slots becomes filled. Oral presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. If this is not enough time to complete comments, please restrict to three minutes a summary of your comments and bring a typed copy of full comments to file with the Commission. Persons speaking at a forum are requested, but not required, to supply twenty (20) copies of their written statements to the registration desk prior to the public comment period. Members of the public, on the waiting list or otherwise, are always invited to send written comments to the Commission at any time. However, if individuals wish to have their written comments placed into the official record of the meeting, the Commission must receive them by December 1, 1998. Each speaker is kindly asked to be prepared prior to their presentation; to refrain from any use of profanity, vulgar language, or obscene signage; to refrain from making any comments or disrupting sounds during the presentation of another speaker; and to remain seated. If visual aids are necessary during the course of a speaker's presentation, each speaker is responsible for providing the equipment to run the visual aid. A complete list of guidelines is available on the Commission's web site: www.ngisc.gov.

**Tim Bidwill,**Special Assistant to the Chairman.
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#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

## Special Emphasis Panel in Bioengineering & Environmental Systems; Notice of Meeting

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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 Bioengineering & Environmental Systems (1189).

Date & Time: November 19, 1998; 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 530, Arlington, VA

Contact Person: Dr. A. Frederick Thompson, Program Director, Environmental Technology Program, Division of Bioengineering & Environmental Systems, Room 565, NSF, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230 703/306–1318.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate CAREER 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 the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (6) of the Government Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 20, 1998.

#### M. Rebecca Winkler,

Commmittee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–28533 Filed 10–23–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Special Emphasis Panel in Electrical and Communications Systems; Notice of Meeting

In accord with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meetings:

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Electrical and Communications Systems (1196).

Date and Time: November 16, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

*Place:* Room 675, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA.

Contact: Dr. Rajinder Khosla, Program Director, Electronics, Photonics and Devices Technologies, Division of Electrical and Communications Systems, Room 675, 703/306–1339.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate ECS CAREER proposals submitted to the Division 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 the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 USC 552b(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 20, 1998.

#### M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–28532 Filed 10–23–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Special Emphasis Panel in Materials Research; 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 Materials Research (1203).

Dates & Times: November 9, 1998; 3:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.; November 10, 1998; 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

*Place:* University of Maryland, College Park, MD.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Ulrich Strom, Program Director, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306–1832.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning progress of an NSF funded project.

Agenda: To review and evaluate progress of Materials Research Science and Engineering Center.

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

Dated: October 20, 1998.

#### M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–28529 Filed 10–23–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Advisory Committee for Mathematical and Physical Sciences; 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 Mathematical and Physical Sciences (66).

Date and Time: November 12, 1998—8:00 AM-5:15 PM; November 13, 1998—8:00 AM-3:00 PM.

*Place*: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open

Contact Person: Adriaan De Graaf, Executive Officer, MPS, Room 1005, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306– 1800.

*Minutes:* May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations on development of MPS strategic planning mechanisms; provide advice on the appropriateness of current disciplinary boundaries; evaluate the current MPS interfaces with academia and industry; and advise on methods of achieving overall program excellence in MPS.

November 12, 1998

Agenda:

AM—Introductory Remarks, MPS Science Themes

PM—Report on Existing and Future Facilities, MPS Education Themes

November 13, 1998

AM—Continued Discussion on MPS
Education Themes, Government-University
Partnerships for Advanced Computing
PM—Meeting Wrap-up/Future Business
Dated: October 20, 1998.

#### M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–28530 Filed 10–23–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7550–01–M

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Special Emphasis Panel in Research, Evaluation and Communication; 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 Research, Evaluation and Communication (#1210)

Date and Time: November 16–17, 1998 and 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 880, Arlington, VA 22230

Type of Meeting: Closed Contact Persons: Dr. Eric Hamilton, Program Director, Division of Educational System Reform (ESR), Room 875 and Dr. Bernice T. Anderson, Program Director, Research, Evaluation and Communication (REC), Room 855, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306– 1650 for REC and (703) 306–1694) for ESR.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate formal proposals submitted to Systemic Initiatives Research Program 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 the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 20, 1998.

### M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–28531 Filed 10–23–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 55-32442-SP and ASLBP No. 99-753-01-SP]

## Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel; Shaun P. O'Hern (Denial of Reactor Operator's License); Notice of Hearing

Before Administrative Judges: Peter B. Bloch, Presiding Officer, Dr. Richard F. Cole, Special Assistant.

The request for a hearing filed by Shaun P. O'Hern on September 22, 1998 has been granted. The hearing will be conducted pursuant to 10 CFR Part 2, Subpart L and may be determined entirely based on written presentations. The subject of the hearing is the denial of Mr. O'Hern's application to operate a nuclear reactor. This notice is published pursuant to 10 CFR 2.1205(j).

Rockville, Maryland, October 20, 1998. **Peter B. Bloch.** 

Administrative Judge, Presiding Officer. [FR Doc. 98–28585 Filed 10–23–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7590–01–P

# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-244 and 50-410]

Rochester Gas and Electric Corp., Niagara Mohawk Power Co., R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 2; Indirect Transfer of Operating License

Notice is hereby given that the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of an Order approving under 10 CFR 50.80 an application regarding an indirect transfer of the operating license for Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 2 (NMP2), to the

extent held by Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E), and the operating license for the R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant (Ginna). The indirect transfer would be to a holding company, not yet named, over RG&E in accordance with the "Amended and Restated Settlement Agreement" before the Public Service Commission of the State of New York dated October 23, 1997. RG&E is licensed by the Commission to own and possess a 14% interest in NMP2 and to wholly own and operate Ginna.

By application dated July 30, 1998, as supplemented August 18, 1998, and September 14, 1998, Paul C. Wilkens, Senior Vice President—Generation, of RG&E, informed the Commission that, subject to shareholder and regulatory approvals, RG&E is planning to implement corporate restructuring whereby RG&E would become a wholly owned subsidiary of a newly formed holding company. The common stock of RG&E would be exchanged on a sharefor-share basis for common stock of the holding company such that the holding company would own all the outstanding common stock of RG&E. The holding company, and not RG&E, would be the owner of any non-utility subsidiaries engaged in unregulated business activities. RG&E would remain as an owner and licensee for possession of NMP2 and as the owner and operating licensee of Ginna. The transaction would not involve any change in either the management organization or technical personnel of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, which is responsible for operating and maintaining NMP2, or involve any change in RG&E's nuclear management or technical qualifications. Under this restructuring, RG&E would continue to be an "electric utility" as defined in 10 CFR 50.2 engaged in the transmission, distribution and the generation of electricity. No direct transfer of the operating licenses or ownership interests in NMP2 and Ginna will result from the proposed restructuring. The transaction would have no effect upon the financing of the RG&E nuclear facilities.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80, the Commission may approve the transfer of the control of a license, after notice to interested persons. Such approval is contingent upon the Commission's determination that the holder of the license following the transfer is qualified to hold the license and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders of the Commission.