

(b) The fair market value of the Building has been determined by an independent qualified appraiser;

(c) The sale of the Building is a one-time transaction for cash;

(d) The Plan does not pay any commissions, costs or other expenses in connection with the sale of the Building; and

(e) The Plan receives an amount equal to the greater of either: (i) The original acquisition cost of the Building plus any improvement costs and real estate taxes that were incurred by the Plan from the date the Building was acquired by the Plan until the date of the sale (i.e., the total cost of \$1,929,422.73, as of December 31, 1998); or (ii) the current fair market value of the Building, as established by an independent qualified appraiser at the time of the sale.

For a more complete statement of the facts and representations supporting the Department's decision to grant this exemption, refer to the notice of proposed exemption published on August 26, 1999 at 64 FR 46730.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ekaterina A. Uzlyan of the Department, telephone (202) 219-8883. (This is not a toll-free number.)

General Information

The attention of interested persons is directed to the following:

(1) The fact that a transaction is the subject of an exemption under section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code does not relieve a fiduciary or other party in interest or disqualified person from certain other provisions to which the exemptions does not apply and the general fiduciary responsibility provisions of section 404 of the Act, which among other things require a fiduciary to discharge his duties respecting the plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan and in a prudent fashion in accordance with section 404(a)(1)(B) of the Act; nor does it affect the requirement of section 401(a) of the Code that the plan must operate for the exclusive benefit of the employees of the employer maintaining the plan and their beneficiaries;

(2) These exemptions are supplemental to and not in derogation of, any other provisions of the Act and/or the Code, including statutory or administrative exemptions and transactional rules. Furthermore, the fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and

(3) The availability of these exemptions is subject to the express

condition that the material facts and representations contained in each application are true and complete and accurately describe all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption. In the case of continuing exemption transactions, if any of the material facts or representations described in the application change after the exemption is granted, the exemption will cease to apply as of the date of such change. In the event of any such change, application for a new exemption may be made to the Department.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 19th day of October, 1999.

Ivan Straszfeld,

*Director of Exemption Determinations,
Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration,
Department of Labor.*

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (99-137)]

**NASA Advisory Council (NAC),
Technology Subcommittee of the Earth
Systems Science and Applications
Advisory Committee; Meeting**

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Technology Subcommittee of the Earth Systems Science and Applications Advisory Committee.

DATES: November 17, 1999, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: NASA Headquarters, Room MIC3, 300 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Granville Paules, Code YF, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Introductions, Comments, Adoption of the Agenda
- Review of the ESE Technology Development/Investment Plan for FY2000
- Discussion of external partnering opportunities (continued from earlier meetings)

—Review and discussion of overall Technology Program performance metrics

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: October 18, 1999.

Matthew M. Crouch,

*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*

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**NATIONAL FOUNDATION OF THE
ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**

Meetings of Humanities Panel

AGENCY: The National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended), notice is hereby given that the following meetings of the Humanities Panel will be held at the Old Post Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura S. Nelson, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, D.C. 20506; telephone (202) 606-8322. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the Endowment's TDD terminal on (202) 606-8282.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: the proposed meetings are for the purpose of panel review, discussion, evaluation and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including discussion of information given in confidence to the agency by the grant applicants. Because the proposed meetings will consider information that is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential and/or information of a personal nature the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, pursuant to authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that these meetings will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c)(4),

and (6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

1. DATE: November 1, 1999
TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 315
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for NEH/Dodge Humanities Scholar in Residence, submitted to the Division of Education at the October 15, 1999 deadline
2. DATE: November 2, 1999
TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 315
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for NEH/Dodge Humanities Scholar in Residence, submitted to the Division of Education at the October 15, 1999 deadline
3. DATE: November 2, 1999
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 415
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for Library and Archival Preservation and Access/Reference Materials, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the July 1, 1999 deadline
4. DATE: November 4, 1999
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 415
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for Library and Archival Preservation and Access/Reference Materials, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the July 1, 1999 deadline
5. DATE: November 9, 1999
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 415
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for Library and Archival Preservation and Access/Reference Materials, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the July 1, 1999 deadline
6. DATE: November 16, 1999
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 415
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for Library and Archival Preservation and Access/Reference Materials, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the July 1, 1999 deadline
7. DATE: November 30, 1999
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
ROOM: 415
PROGRAM: This meeting will review applications for National Heritage Preservation Program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the July 1, 1999 deadline

Laura S. Nelson,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 17, 1999, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of permit applications received. Permits were issued on October 8, 1999 to the following applicants:

Donald B. Siniff—Permit No. 2000-003
Michael A. Castellini—Permit No.

2000-005

Brent S. Stewart—Permit No. 2000-011
Norbert Wu—Permit No. 2000-013

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Experts' Meeting on Jet Impingement Effects and Leak Rates From Steam Generator Tubes During Severe Accidents

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: A meeting with a group of experts will be held at Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) to discuss information, data, and experimentation related to jet impingement effects and leak rates from degraded steam generator tubes under severe-accident conditions. Input from this meeting will be used to plan experimental and analytical work to be carried out under the Steam Generator Tube Integrity Research Program being conducted at ANL for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). In the recent past, and expected to continue into the future, NRC has conducted and/or evaluated a number of risk analyses in conjunction with various actions related to steam generator tube integrity.

Because risk from severe accidents can comprise a significant portion of the overall plant risk, the risk analyses have addressed the contribution from severe accidents. In conducting these analyses, the NRC staff has identified some areas that could benefit from additional data, modeling, and experimentation. In particular, we are interested in evaluating the possibility that the jet of superheated steam, hydrogen and entrained particles emanating from a cracked tube may penetrate the neighboring tube during severe-accident transients. In addition, we need to calculate the leak rate from tubes with throughwall cracks of various lengths under severe-accident conditions. In the absence of data on leak rates under the conditions of interest, one would need to calculate the crack opening areas under these conditions to estimate the leak rates. Besides information on the mechanical properties of Inconel tubes at the temperatures of interest, we need to know if (and how) creep and creep crack growth play a role in the crack opening areas developed under the time/temperature/pressure exposures during severe accidents. Also, information is needed on whether the fluid escaping the crack will cause erosion of the crack walls, thereby increasing the crack opening areas. We have assembled a group of experts in the fields of high-temperature metallurgy, fracture mechanics, thermal hydraulics, severe-accident propagation, and erosion/corrosion to address these questions/issues during the meeting.

If you are an expert in one or more of the above fields, and wish to participate and contribute to the meeting, you are asked to contact Dr. Dwight Diercks at ANL by no later than Thursday, November 11, 1999 to provide him information for you to obtain access to the ANL site. Sufficient time is not available for citizens of sensitive countries, as listed in the DOE web site [HTTP://WWW.DOE.GOV](http://WWW.DOE.GOV), to obtain clearance, and they will not be able to participate in this meeting.

DATES: November 19, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Argonne National Laboratory, Building 212, Room B201, 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois 60439.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Joseph Muscara, Mail Stop T10-E10, U.S. Nuclear Regulator Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Telephone: (301) 415-5844; FAX: (301) 415-5074; Internet: JXM8@NRC.GOV.

Or: Dr. Dwight Diercks, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois 60439.