Comments and submissions are posted without change at http://www.regulations.gov. Therefore, OSHA cautions commenters about submitting personal information such as social security numbers and date of birth. Although all submissions are listed in the http://www.regulations.gov index, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through this Web site. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office.

Information on using the http://www.regulations.gov Web site to submit comments and access the docket is available at the Web site's "User Tips" link. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about materials not available through the website, and for assistance in using the Internet to locate docket submissions.

V. Authority and Signature

Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 et seq.) and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 5–2007 (72 FR 31159).

Signed at Washington, DC, this 3rd day of October, 2008.

Edwin G. Foulke, Jr.,

 $Assistant\ Secretary\ of\ Labor\ for\ Occupational\\ Safety\ and\ Health.$

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (CEOSE); 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: Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (1173).

Dates/Time: October 29, 2008, 1 p.m.—5:30 p.m. October 30, 2008, 8:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. October 31, 2008, 8:30 am—2 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation (NSF), 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Building entry badges must be obtained at the North Lobby Entrance of the above address. The meeting will be held in Room 1235 of the National Science Foundation Building located at 4201 Wilson Boulevard in Arlington, Virginia.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Margaret E.M. Tolbert. Senior Advisor and CEOSE Executive Liaison, Office of Integrative Activities, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone Number: (703) 292–8040, mtolbert@nsf.gov.

Minutes: Minutes may be obtained from the Executive Liaison at the above address or the Web site at http://www.nsf.gov/od/oia/activities/ceose/index.jsp.

Purpose of Meeting: To study NSF programs and policies and provide advice and recommendations concerning broadening participation in science and engineering.

Agenda

Wednesday, October 29, 2008

Mini-Symposium: Native Americans in Science and Engineering.

Co-Sponsors: CEOSE and the NSF Centers Forum.

Opening Statement and Purpose of the Mini-Symposium by the CEOSE Chair.

Welcome by the NSF Deputy Director. Introductions and Logistics by the CEOSE Executive Liaison.

Presentations and Discussions by Persons Who Have Experience in Mentoring, Educating, Conducting Research, and Working with Native Americans to Increase Their Numbers in Science and Engineering.

Comments by the Director of the NSF Office of Integrative Activities.

Thursday, October 30, 2008

Opening Statement by the CEOSE Chair. Presentations and Discussions:

- ✓ American Indian Perspective on Broadening Participation in Science and Engineering by the President and CEO of AIHEC
- ✓ A Perspective on Broadening Participation in Science and Engineering for Chicanos and Native Americans by the President of SACNAS
- ✓ Report on and Discussion of Recommendations That Result from the Mini-Symposium on Native Americans
- ✓ Discussion with the NSF Deputy Director
- ✓ Roundtable Discussion: Lessons Learned at NSF-Sponsored Science and Technology Centers about Broadening the Participation of Native Americans in Science and Engineering
- ✓ Concurrent meetings of CEOSE Ad

Hoc Subcommittees

Reports of CEOSE Ad Hoc Subcommittees

Friday, October 31, 2008

Opening Statement by the CEOSE Chair. Presentations and Discussions:

- ✓ Presentation on "The American Chemical Society Scholars Program: Pathways to Success" by the Manager of the Scholars Program of the American Chemical Society
- ✓ Presentation and Roundtable
 Discussion: Broadening
 Participation Programs and
 Activities of the NSF Office of
 International Science and
 Engineering, as Well as Other
 Directorates and Major Science and
 Engineering Offices
- ✓ Comments by Federal Agency Liaisons to CEOSE
- ✓ Reports by CEOSE Liaisons to NSF Advisory Committees
- ✓ Completion of Unfinished Business

Dated: October 3, 2008.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E8–23813 Filed 10–7–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–P

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board; Task Force on Cost Sharing; Committee on Strategy and Budget; Sunshine Act Meetings; Notice

The National Science Board's Task Force on Cost Sharing of the Committee on Strategy and Budget, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR Part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n–5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of a meeting for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

DATE AND TIME: October 15, 2008 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

SUBJECT MATTER: 1. Discussion of Draft Report Recommendations.

STATUS: Open.

PLACE: This meeting will be held by teleconference originating at the National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Room 110 will be available to the public to listen to this teleconference meeting.

Please refer to the National Science Board Web site (http://www.nsf.gov/nsb) for information or schedule updates, or contact: Jennifer Richards, National Science Board Office, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–7000.

Ann Ferrante,

Writer-Editor.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–541)

AGENCY: National Science Foundation. **ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Pub. L. 95–541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by November 7, 2008. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadene G. Kennedy at the above

Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292–7405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

Permit Application No. 2009–020

1. Applicant: Mary Miller, Exploratorium, 3601 Lyon Street, San Francisco, CA 94123.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPA's). The applicant is a participant in the USAP Artists and Writer's Program and plans to visit penguin rookeries (ASPA 124—Cape Crozier and ASPA 121—Cape Royds) and the historic huts (ASPA 157—Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds and ASPA 158 Hut Point, Ross Island) in order to take photographs and video for "Ice Stories: Dispatches from Polar Scientists" an education and public outreach project.

Location

McMurdo Sound region, Antarctica.

Dates

December 1, 2008 to January 7, 2009.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.
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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 Act 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 22, 2008, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the Federal Register of permit applications received. Permits were issued on September 26, 2008 to:

Lisa K. Blatt, Permit No. 2009–010. Hubertus Staudigel, Permit No. 2009–

Cheryl E. Leonard, Permit No. 2009– 017.

Mahlon C. Kennicutt, II, Permit No. 2009–018.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0213.

Extension:

Form 20–F, OMB Control No. 3235–0288, SEC File No. 270–156.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Form 20-F (17 CFR 249.220f) is used by foreign private issuers to either register a class of securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 pursuant to Section 12(b) or 12(g) (15 U.S.C. 78l(b) or 78l(g) (Exchange Act) or to satisfy their annual report obligation pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78m and 78o(d)). The information collected is intended to enable investors in foreign private issuers to make informed investment decisions. Form 20-F takes approximately 2,611 hours per response to prepare and is filed by 942 foreign private issuers annually. We estimate that 25% of the 2,611 hours per response (652.75 hours) is prepared by the issuer for an annual reporting burden of 614,891 hours (652.75 hours per response x 942 responses). The remaining 75% of the burden hours is prepared by outside counsel. Written comments are invited on: (a)

Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden imposed by the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Lewis W. Walker, Acting Director/