

No facsimile or electronic mail applications will be accepted. Address for Submitting Proposals: Applications must be submitted through <http://www.grants.gov>, unless an applicant does not have Internet access. In that case, hard copies with original signatures may be sent to: Marie Bundy, 1305 East-West Highway, N/ORM5, SSMC4 10542, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Facsimile transmissions and electronic mail submission of full proposals will not be accepted.

**Review and Selection Process:** Once a full application has been received by NOAA, an initial administrative review will be conducted to determine completeness of the application. All proposals will be evaluated and scored individually in accordance with the assigned weights of the evaluation criteria by three merit reviewers and/or a panel of reviewers.

The selecting official will not score proposals as part of the merit review nor participate in discussion of the merits of the proposal.

Recommendations for funding will then be forwarded to the selecting official, the Chief of the Estuarine Reserves Division, for the final funding decision. In making the final selections, the Chief will award in rank order unless the proposal is justified to be selected out of rank order based on the selection factors listed in section V.C "Selection Criteria" of the original Federal Funding Opportunity.

Investigators may be asked to modify objectives, work plans or budgets based on funds available, and provide supplemental information required by the agency prior to the award being made. Declined applications will be held in the OCRM/ERD for the required 3 years in accordance with the current retention requirements, and then destroyed.

**Agency Contacts:** Technical Information: Marie Bundy, OCRM/ERD Research Coordinator, [Marie.Bundy@noaa.gov](mailto:Marie.Bundy@noaa.gov), 301-713-3155. Business Management Information: Marie Bundy, OCRM/ERD Research Coordinator, [Marie.Bundy@noaa.gov](mailto:Marie.Bundy@noaa.gov), 301-713-3155.

**Eligibility:** Eligible applicants are non-Federal institutions of higher education, other non-profits, commercial organizations, and state and local governments that possess the statutory authority to receive financial assistance. Please note that: (1) The Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, Estuarine Reserves Division (OCRM/ERD) will not fund any Federal Full Time Employee (FTE) salaries, but will fund travel, equipment, supplies, and contractual personnel costs associated

with the proposed work. (2) Researchers must be employees of an eligible entity listed above; and proposals must be submitted through that entity. Non-Federal researchers should comply with their institutional requirements for proposal submission. (3) OCRM/ERD will accept proposals that include foreign researchers as collaborators with a researcher who has met the above stated eligibility requirements.

**Cost Sharing Requirements:** None.

**Intergovernmental Review:**

Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

**Paperwork Reduction Act:** This document contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, 424C, 424D, and SF-LLL has been approved by OMB under the respective control numbers 4040-0004, 0348-0044, 4040-0007, 0348-0041, 4040-0009, and 0348-0046. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**Executive Order 12866:** This notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866. Executive Order 13132 (Federalism). It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

**Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act:** Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marie Bundy at (301) 713-3155 of NOAA's National Ocean Service, Estuarine Reserves Division, 1305 East-West Highway, N/ORM5, 10th floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Dated: October 21, 2008.

**Donna Wieting,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive Patent License; Vista Leak Detection, Inc.

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy hereby gives notice of its intent to grant to Vista Leak Detection, Inc., a revocable, nonassignable, exclusive license to practice in the field of use of tank leak detection for industrial markets in the United States and certain foreign countries, for the Government-owned invention described in U.S. Patent No. 7,143,634 and 7,143,635 and any continuations, divisionals or reissues thereof.

**DATES:** Anyone wishing to object to the grant of this license must file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any, not later than November 12, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Written objections are to be filed with the NAVFACESC, EV423, 1100 23rd Avenue, Port Hueneme, CA 93043-4370.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kurt Buehler, Head, Technology Transfer Office, NAVFACESC, EV423, 1100 23rd Avenue, Port Hueneme, CA 93043-4370, telephone: 805-982-4897. Due to U.S. Postal delays, please fax: 805-982-4832, e-mail: [kurt.buehler@navy.mil](mailto:kurt.buehler@navy.mil) or use courier delivery to expedite response.

(Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR Part 404.)

Dated: October 21, 2008.

**T.M. Cruz,**

*Lieutenant Commander, Office of the Judge Advocate General, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Meeting of the Ocean Research and Resources Advisory Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Ocean Research and Resources Advisory Panel (ORRAP) will hold its third regularly scheduled meeting of the year. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Friday, December 5, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Members of the public should submit their comments one week in advance of the meeting to the Point of Contact.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the offices of the Consortium of Ocean Leadership, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Charles L. Vincent, Office of Naval Research, 875 North Randolph Street, Suite 1425, Arlington, VA 22203-1995, telephone: 703-696-4118.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice of open meeting is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The meeting will include discussions on ocean research to applications, ocean observing, professional certification programs, and other current issues in the ocean science and resource management communities.

Dated: October 21, 2008.

**T.M. Cruz,**

*Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate  
Generals Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register  
Liaison Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Department of the Navy****Notice of Meeting of the Ocean  
Research and Resources Advisory  
Panel**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Ocean Research and Resources Advisory Panel (ORRAP) will meet to finalize the content of the ORRAP administration transition document. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 6, 2008, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Members of the public should submit their comments one week in advance of the meeting to the Point of Contact.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the offices of the Consortium of Ocean Leadership, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Charles L. Vincent, Office of Naval Research, 875 North Randolph Street Suite 1425, Arlington, VA 22203-1995, telephone: 703-696-4118.

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Dated: October 21, 2008.

**T.M. Cruz,**

*Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate  
Generals Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register  
Liaison Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory  
Commission**

**[Docket No. CP08-483-000]**

**Atlas Pipeline Mid-Continent WestTex,  
LLC; Pioneer Natural Resources (USA),  
Inc.; Notice of Application**

October 21, 2008.

Take notice that on September 30, 2008, Atlas Pipeline Mid-Continent WestTex, LLC (Atlas/WestTex), 100 West 7th Street, Suite 2300, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119, and Pioneer Natural Resources (USA), Inc. (Pioneer), 1400 Williams Square West, 5205 North O'Connor Boulevard, Irving, TX 75039, filed a joint application in Docket No. CP08-483-000, pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), requesting permission and approval to abandon in place and convert to low pressure gathering approximately 3.4 miles of 12¾-inch diameter pipeline and the approximately 7.5 miles of 10¾-inch diameter pipeline located in Reagan and Upton Counties, Texas (Midkiff Line). Atlas/WestTex and Pioneer indicate that they plan to replace the Midkiff Line with a new pipeline 3-mile and request the Commission determine that the replacement line is exempt from NGA jurisdiction. Since Atlas/WestTex and Pioneer will not operate any facilities subject to the Commission's jurisdiction, they request the Commission rescind the Limited Jurisdiction Certificate issued in Docket No. CP06-385-000, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to

public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this Application should be directed to James F. Bowe, Jr., Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP, 1101 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005, phone (202) 346-7999, fax (202) 346-8102, e-mail: [jbowe@dl.com](mailto:jbowe@dl.com).

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.