

sites by Zodiac (rubber raft) or helicopter for approximately two to four hours at a time. On each helicopter's landing, emergency gear would be taken ashore in case weather deteriorates and passengers are required to camp on shore. Anything taken ashore will be removed from Antarctica and disposed of in Ushuaia, Argentina, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, or a substitute port of disembarkation. No hazardous domestic products or wastes (aerosol cans, paints, solvents, etc.) will be brought ashore. Cooking stoves/fuel will be used only in an emergency where passengers are forced to spend night on shore. Conditions of the permit would include requirements to report on the removal of materials and any accidental releases, and management of all waste, including human waste, in accordance with Antarctic waste regulations.

Application for the permit is made by: Pat Shaw, President, Quark Expeditions, Inc., 1019 Boston Post Road, Darien, CT 06820.

*Location:* Antarctica (south of 60 degrees south latitude).

*Dates:* October 1, 2006 to March 31, 2009.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee #13883; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee (#13883) meeting:

*Date and Time:* October 12-13, 2006, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, Room 1235, Stafford I Building, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Dr. G. Wayne Van Citters, Director, Division of Astronomical Sciences, Suite 1045, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703-292-4908. Additional information is available at [www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/aaac.jsp](http://www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/aaac.jsp).

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) on issues within the field of astronomy and astrophysics that are of mutual interest and concern to the agencies.

*Agenda:* To hear presentations of current programming by representatives from NSF, NASA, DOE and other agencies relevant to

astronomy and astrophysics; to discuss current and potential areas of cooperation between the agencies; to formulate recommendations for continued and new areas of cooperation and mechanisms for achieving them.

Dated: September 14, 2006.

**Susanne E. Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Proposal Review Panel for 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:* Proposal Review Panel for Materials Research (DMR) #1203.

*Dates & Times:* October 5, 2006; 7:45 a.m.-9 p.m., October 6, 2006; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

*Place:* Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA.

*Type of Meeting:* Part-Open.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Thomas Rieker, Program Director, Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers Program, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone (703) 292-4914.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning further support of the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center.

#### Agenda

*Thursday, October 5, 2006*

7:45 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Closed—Executive session.

8:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Open—Review of the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center at Stanford University.

4:15 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Closed—Executive session.

5:30 p.m.-9 p.m. Open—Poster session and Dinner.

*Friday, October 6, 2006*

8 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Closed—Executive session.

8:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Open—Review of the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center at Stanford University.

10:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Closed—Executive Session, Draft and Review Report, brief the center director.

*Reason for Closing:* The work being reviewed may 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. 522b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: September 14, 2006.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

**DATE:** Weeks of September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 2006.

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

#### Week of September 18, 2006

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 18, 2006.

#### Week of September 25, 2006—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 25, 2006.

#### Week of October 2, 2006—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 2, 2006.

#### Week of October 9, 2006—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 9, 2006.

#### Week of October 16, 2006—Tentative

*Monday, October 16, 2006*

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Status of New Reactor Issues—Combined Operating Licenses (COLS) (morning session).

1:30 p.m. Briefing on Status of New Reactor Issues—Combined Operating Licenses (COLS) (afternoon session). (Public Meetings) (Contact: Dave Matthews, 301-415-1199).

These meetings will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>

*Friday, October 20, 2006*

2:30 p.m. Meeting with Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) (Public Meeting) (Contact: John Larkins, 301-415-7630).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>

#### Week of October 23, 2006—Tentative

*Wednesday, October 25, 2006*

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Institutionalization and Integration of Agency Lessons Learned (Public Meeting) (Contact: John Lamb, 301-415-1727).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>

1:30 p.m. Briefing on Resolution of GSI-191, Assessment of Debris

Accumulation on PWR Sump Performance (Public Meeting) (Contact: Michael L. Scott, 301-415-0565).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>

\*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301)415-1292. Contact person for more information: Michelle Schroll, (301) 415-1662.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html>.

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Dated: September 14, 2006.

**R. Michelle Schroll**

*Office of the Secretary.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[EA-06-193]

### In the Matter of Louisiana Energy Services L.P. (National Enrichment Facility) and All Other Persons Who Seek or Obtain Access to Safeguards Information Described Herein; Order Imposing Requirements for the Protection of Safeguards Information and Access to New Safeguards Information (Effective Immediately)

#### I

Louisiana Energy Services, L.P., (LES or the Licensee) holds a license, issued in accordance with the Atomic Energy Act (AEA) of 1954, by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) authorizing it to construct and operate a uranium enrichment facility in Lea County, New Mexico. On March 19, 2004, in accordance with Commission direction in Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-03-0083, NRC provided LES, for its information, copies of Orders issued to Category III facilities on interim measures to enhance physical security at those facilities. Those Orders contained Safeguards Information<sup>1</sup>. In addition, in the future, the Commission may issue the Licensee additional Orders that require compliance with specific Additional Security Measures to enhance the security. These Orders are also expected to contain Safeguards Information, which cannot be released to the public and must be protected from unauthorized disclosure. Therefore, the Commission is imposing the requirements, as set forth in Attachments A and B of this Order, so that the Licensee can receive these documents. This Order also imposes requirements for the protection of Safeguards Information in the hands of any person,<sup>2</sup> whether or not a licensee of the Commission, who produces, receives, or acquires Safeguards Information.

<sup>1</sup> Safeguards Information is a form of sensitive, unclassified, security-related information that the Commission has the authority to designate and protect under section 147 of the AEA.

<sup>2</sup> Person means: (1) any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, government agency other than the Commission or the Department of Energy, except that the Department of Energy shall be considered a person with respect to those facilities of the Department specified in section 202 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (88 Stat. 1244), any State or any political subdivision of, or any political entity within a State, any foreign government or nation or any political subdivision of any such government or nation, or other entity; and (2) any legal successor, representative, agent, or agency of the foregoing.

On August 8, 2005, the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAAct) was enacted. Section 652 of the EPAAct amended Section 149 of the AEA to require fingerprinting and a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) identification and criminal history records check of any person who is to be permitted to have access to Safeguards Information. The NRC's implementation of this requirement cannot await the completion of the Safeguards Information rulemaking, which is under way, because the EPAAct fingerprinting and criminal history check requirements for access to Safeguards Information were immediately effective upon enactment of the EPAAct. Although the EPAAct permits the Commission by rule to except certain categories of individuals from the fingerprinting requirement, which the Commission has done (see 10 CFR 73.59, 71 FR 33989 (June 13, 2006)), it is unlikely that many Licensee employees are excepted from the fingerprinting requirement by the "fingerprinting relief" rule. Individuals relieved from the fingerprinting and criminal history checks under the relief rule include Federal, State, and local officials and law enforcement personnel; Agreement State inspectors, who conduct security inspections on behalf of the NRC; members of Congress and certain employees of members of Congress or Congressional Committees; representatives of the International Atomic Energy Agency or certain foreign government organizations. In addition, individuals who have active Federal security clearances and have satisfied the EPAAct fingerprinting requirement need not be fingerprinted again. Therefore, in accordance with Section 149 of the AEA, as amended by the EPAAct, the Commission is imposing additional requirements, as set forth by this Order, for access to new Safeguards Information<sup>3</sup> by any person, from any person, whether or not a Licensee, Applicant, or Certificate Holder of the Commission or Agreement States.

#### II

The Commission has broad statutory authority to protect Safeguards Information and prohibit its unauthorized disclosure. Section 147 of the AEA, as amended, grants the Commission explicit authority to " \* \* \* issue such orders, as necessary

<sup>3</sup> "New Safeguards Information" means Safeguards Information generated subsequent to August 8, 2005, the date of enactment of the EPAAct. "New Safeguards Information" also means any Safeguards Information, regardless of when it was generated, that is being accessed by an individual who has never been previously granted access to Safeguards Information.