

ashore will be removed and non-rechargeable batteries will be returned to South America for disposal. 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: Jon S. Bowermaster, OCEANS 8 Productions, Box 730, Stone Ridge, NY 12484.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula.

Dates: December 1, 2007 to January 30, 2008.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Panel for Integrative Activities; 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 Panel for Integrative Activities (#1373).

Dates & Times: November 14, 2007—1 p.m.–5:30 p.m.; November 15, 2007—8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.; November 16, 2007—7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Places:

Hilton Arlington Hotel, 950 North Stafford Street, Arlington, Virginia.

Science and Technology Policy Institute (STPI), 1899 Pennsylvania Ave, NW., Washington, DC.

Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), Old Executive Office Building, Washington, DC.

Type of Meeting: Part-Open.

Contact Person: Connie Della-Piana, PhD. Office of Integrative Activities, Office of the Director, Room 1270, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703/292-8040.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning the use of and need for the Science and Technology Policy Institute.

Agenda

Wednesday, November 14, 2007

1 p.m.–4 p.m. Hilton Arlington Hotel. Open—Overview and history of Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC); Briefings and Panel Discussions.

4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. Hilton Arlington, Hotel. Closed—Review of contract.

Thursday, November 15, 2007

8 a.m.–9 p.m. Hilton Arlington Hotel. Open—Briefings and Panel Discussions with Deputy Director, NSF.

9:30 a.m.–12n Science and Technology Policy Institute. Open—Presentations and briefing by STPI.

12n–2 p.m. Science and Technology Policy Institute. Closed—Review and evaluation of the use and need for the Institute.

2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Office of Science and Technology Policy. Closed—Briefings and discussions with OSTP representatives.

Friday, November 16, 2007

8 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Hilton Arlington Hotel. Closed—Meetings with NSF representatives and other government clients. Review and prepare report.

Reason for Closing: The contract being reviewed includes information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract. Discussions will include the development of negotiating and implementing strategies. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) and (9)(B) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 23, 2007.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 030-10346; License No. 50-16084-01; EA-07-261]

In the Matter of Alaska Industrial X-Ray, Inc., Anchorage, AK; Order Suspending Licensed Activities (Effective Immediately)

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Alaska Industrial X-Ray, Inc., (AIX or Licensee) is the holder of NRC License No. 50-16084-01 issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) pursuant to 10 CFR Part 34. The license authorizes the Licensee to conduct industrial radiography at temporary job sites anywhere in the United States where the NRC maintains jurisdiction for regulating licensed material. The license was issued on October 24, 1990, was most recently renewed on March 13, 2001, and is due to expire on March 31, 2011.

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On June 4, 2007, the NRC's Office of Investigation (OI) initiated an investigation into AIX's activities at a facility, not owned by AIX, located in Anchorage, Alaska. This off-site facility is owned by an AIX client, and AIX has been performing radiography at that location since the 1990s. Based on information obtained during the investigation, serious concerns were identified concerning the AIX senior managers' oversight of licensed activities and AIX's ability to protect the public health and safety. Specifically, AIX radiographers, including the company Radiation Safety Officer, knowingly conducted radiography activities without the two individuals required by 10 CFR 34.41(a) (sometimes called the 2-person rule). This occurred on numerous instances over a period of up to three years and presented unnecessary risk to the public health and safety.

In the 1990s, AIX constructed a facility that was referred to as a "vault" at its client's facility. AIX applied to the NRC to have the "vault" approved as a Permanent Radiographic Installation as described in 10 CFR 34.33. Radiography conducted in an authorized permanent radiographic installation could be conducted with a single radiographer; otherwise, 10 CFR 34.41(a) requires, in part, that at least two qualified individuals be present during radiography. However, the NRC never approved the "vault" as a Permanent Radiographic Installation because of serious deficiencies in the design and requested further information from AIX. One of the design deficiencies was that the "vault" had very little shielding on most of the front of the vault; the shielding consisted of a lead-lined steel frame gate that was only about 3½ feet tall and an industrial tarp that was pulled across the front. As such, AIX estimated radiation exposures 20 feet in front of the "vault" exceeded many hundred times the NRC's 2 mR/hr limit. In addition, the NRC believes there was access to the roof of the facility, which was made of ¾ inch plywood (very limited shielding material), resulting in dose rates in excess of the NRC's 2 mR/hr limit. The licensing action was closed in 2002 after AIX did not make the structural changes necessary to obtain approval.

The investigation revealed that on numerous occasions over a period of up to three years, AIX would send two qualified individuals to the off-site facility to perform radiography, and that AIX would commence radiography in compliance with 10 CFR 34.41(a).