

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