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Signed at Washington, DC, this 23 day of October, 2003.

Carl J. Poleskey,

Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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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 of 1978, Pub. L. 9541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish 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 September 4, 2003, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the Federal Register of permit applications received. A permit was issued on October 21, 2003 to Gary D. Miller (2004–013).

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Conservation Act of 1978; Notice of Permit Modification

AGENCY: National Science Foundation. **SUMMARY:** The Foundation modified a permit to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–541; Code of Federal Regulations Title 45, Part 670).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 28, 2000, the National Science Foundation issued a permit (ACA #2001–011) to Dr. Wayne Z. Trivelpiece after posting a notice in the August 29, 2000 Federal Register. Public comments were not received. A request to modify the permit was posted in the Federal Register on September 3, 2003. No public comments were

received. The modification was issued by the Foundation on October 14, 2003.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Call for Anticipatory Research Projects

NRC research is performed in order to meet a known or anticipated regulatory need. There are two main categories of research that require separate consideration: Confirmatory research and anticipatory research. Confirmatory research aids the agency in responding to license issues that are now before the agency or that are anticipated to come before the agency in the near term. This type of research is performed either when the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research recognizes issues of concern or at the request of a program office that is directly responsible for regulatory oversight, e.g., Offices of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards (NMSS), or Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR).

The NRC also conducts research programs that are more forward looking, which we refer to as "anticipatory" research, an effort to try to foresee where the NRC may need information to respond to future regulatory issues. This research is related to better understanding evolving technologies or issues that may become important regulatory concerns in the future. Some of this work may also be confirmatory in nature by providing independent assessment of information developed by the nuclear industry. These types of programs may have been requested by the other program offices, or they may be developed as a result of independent examination of industry trends and emerging issues. If the agency waits until these potential issues become actual regulatory concerns, it may be too late to develop the technical information to respond in a timely fashion. Examples of anticipatory research that have been highly valuable to the agency include probabilistic risk analysis methods and applications, severe accident source term research, and the evaluation of the effects of aging on plant components.

Therefore, the NRC's Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES) is seeking recommendations for anticipatory research both within NRC and from external stakeholders. This research will