that the proposed alternative method would be sufficient to sustain the loads that occur from the reclamation material and any other possible load situations. The petitioner has provided with this petition 3-sets of drawings that detail how the 18-inch shaft will be permanently sealed. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

11. Leeco, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2001-095-C]

Leeco, Inc., P.O. Box 309, Jeff, Kentucky 41751 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.900 (low- and medium-voltage circuits serving three-phase alternating current equipment; circuit breakers) to its No. 68 Mine (I.D. No. 15-17497) located in Perry County, Kentucky; and its No. 78 Mine (I.D. No. 15-17816) located in Knott County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to a alternate method to meet the requirements of under-voltage protection. The petitioner proposes for under-voltage protection a maximum nominal voltage of the belt conveyor drive and water pump circuit(s) not to exceed 995 volts, nominal voltage of the belt conveyor drive control and water pump control circuit(s) not to exceed 120 volts, vacuum contactors built into or permanently affixed to the transformer enclosure and properly separated and isolated from the other components of the unit, and provide under-voltage protection for belt drive(s) and water pump motors that are greater than 5 horsepower for vacuum contactors that have associated protective relays. The petitioner has listed in this petition additional specific procedures that would be followed when its proposed alternative method is implemented. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

12. Leeco, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2001-096-C]

Leeco, Inc., PO Box 309, Jeff, Kentucky 41751 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.214(a) (refuse piles; general) to its No. 64 Mine (I.D. No. 15–16353) located in Perry County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to place refuse over previously abandoned and reclaimed mines. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

13. American Energy Corporation

[Docket No. M-2001-097-C]

American Energy Corporation, PO Box 5, Alledonia, Ohio 43902 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1700 (oil and gas wells) to its Century Mine (I.D. No. 33–01070) located in Belmont County, Ohio. The petitioner proposes to plug and mine through oil and gas wells at the Century Mine using the specific procedures outlined in this petition for modification. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

14. Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation

[Docket No. M-2001-004-M]

Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation, 8362 West 10200 South, Bingham Canvon, Utah 84006-0351 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 56.14109 (unguarded conveyors with adjacent travelways) to its Bingham Canvon Mine (I.D. No. 42-00149) located in Salt Lake County, Utah. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to allow emergency stop devices in the form of a hand-held portable radio to be used at those portions of the Bingham Canyon Mine's Mine-Concentrator Conveyor where pull-cords or railings are not located, which when activated through a single push-button at any position along the beltway, will deactivate the conveyor motor and stop the belt. The petitioner asserts that application of the existing standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners and that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to "comments@msha.gov," or on a computer disk along with an original hard copy to the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 627, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before November 13, 2001. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia this 4th day of October 2001.

David L. Meyer,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

October 9, 2001.

Time and Date: 10 a.m., Wednesday, October 17, 2001.

Place: Room 6005, 6th Floor, 1730 K Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Open.

Matters to be Considered: The Commission will consider and act upon the following:

1. Secretary of Labor on behalf of Noakes v. Gabel Stone Co., Docket No. CENT 2000–75–DM (Issues include whether the judge erred in refusing to find that the discriminatee failed to mitigate his damages while enrolled in college).

Time and Date: The Commission meeting will commence following upon the conclusion of the Commission meeting in Secretary of Labor on behalf of Noakes v. Gabel Stone Co., Docket No. CENT 2000–75–DM, which commences at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2001.

Place: Room 6005, 6th Floor, 1730 K Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Open.

Matters to be Considered: The Commission will consider and act upon the following:

1. Secretary of Labor on behalf of Jackson v. Mountain Top Trucking Co., Docket No. KENT 613–D (Issues include whether the judge erred in concluding that the discriminatee failed to mitigate his damages while enrolled in college).

Time and Date: 10 a.m., Thursday, November 1, 2001.

Place: Room 6005, 6th Floor, 1730 K Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Open.

Matters to be Considered: The Commission will consider and act upon the following:

1. American Coal Co., Docket Nos. LAKE 2000–111–R, etc. (Issues include whether tags required to be placed on all approved diesel engines under 30 CFR 7.90 must be supplied by the engine manufacturer).

Time and Date: The Commission meeting will commence following upon the conclusion of the Commission meeting in American Coal Co., Docket Nos. LAKE 2000–111–R, etc., which commences at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2001.

Place: Room 6005, 6th Floor, 1730 K Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Status: Open.

Matters to be Considered: The Commission will consider and act upon the following:

1. Freeman United Coal Mining Co., Docket Nos. LAKE 2000–12–R, etc. (Issues include whether tags required to be placed on all approved diesel equipment under 30 CFR 7.90 must be supplied by the engine manufacturer).

Any person attending an open meeting who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters, must inform the Commission in advance of those needs. Subject to 29 CFR 2706.150(a)(3) and 2706.160(d).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean Ellen—(202) 653–5629 / (202) 708–9300 for TDD Relay / 1–800–877–8339 for toll free.

Jean H. Ellen,

Chief Docket Clerk.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Application Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation. **ACTION:** Notice of permit applications received under the Antarctic Conservation Act.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Science Foundation (NSF) has received a waste management permit application for operation of a camp at Patriot Hills, Heritage Range, southern Ellsworth Mountains, Antarctica, by Adventure Network International, a company within the United States. The application is submitted to NSF pursuant to regulations issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application on or before November 13, 2001. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joyce A. Jatko or Nadene Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292–8030.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NSF's Antarctic Waste Regulation, 45 CFR Part 671, requires all U.S. citizens and entities to obtain a permit for the use or release of a designated pollutant in Antarctica, and for the release of waste in Antarctica. NSF has received a permit

application under this Regulation for operation of remote camp at Patriot Hills, Antarctica, and logistic support services for scientific and other expeditions, film crews, and tourists. These activities include aircraft support, cache positioning, camp and field support, resupply, search and rescue, medevac, medical support and logistic support for some National Operators. The camp can accommodate up to 100 people and is adjacent to a 100m x 2000m blue-ice runway. The blue-ice runway is a natural feature that requires limited amount of preparation and upkeep for aircraft use. There are standard programs offered on a regular basis. These include: Climbing trips to Vinson Massif, the Ellsworth Mountains and the Transantarctic Mountains; ski trips to the Ellsworth Mountains and the Geographic South Pole; and flights to the Geographic South Pole, and the Emperor Penguin Colony at the Dawson Lambton Glacier.

A total of four aircraft will be operated by Adventure Network International throughout the Antarctic. They will consist of the following: Two Twin Otter aircraft, and Ilyushin 76 (IL–76), and either a turbine DC–3 or a Cessna 185.

The permit applicant is: Ms. Anne Kershaw, President, Adventure Network International (ANI), 4800 N. Federal Highway, Suite 307D, Boca Raton, FL 33431. Permit application No. 2002– WM–003.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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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 Act of 1978, Public Law 95–541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required 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 August 29, 2001, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit

applications received. Permits were issued on October 3, 2001 to: Vickie Usher Russell, Permit No. 2002–008; Terry J. Wilson, Permit Nos. 2002–009 and –010; Robert A. Blanchette, Permit No. 2002–011; Tom W. Yelvington, Permit No. 2002–012; John T. Lisle, Permit No. 2002–013; Melissa Alexander, Permit No. 2002–014.

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 (Public Law 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.

DESCRIPTION OF PERMIT AND MODIFICATION: On September 15, 1999, the National Science Foundation issued a permit (ACA #2000-001) to Dr. Steven D. Enslie after posting a notice in the August 17, 1999 Federal Register. Public comments were not received. A request to modify the permit was posted in the **Federal Register** on April 30, 2001. No public comments were received. The modification, issued by the Foundation on September 19, 2001, allows the permit holder to enter additional Antarctic Specially Protected Areas for the purpose of collecting conducting surveys and excavating small 5-10cm soil samples from abandoned penguin rookeries.

Location:

ASPA 102—Rookery Islands, Holme Bay

ASPA 103—Ardery and Odbert Islands

ASPA 109—Moe Island, South Orkneys

ASPA 110—Lynch Island, South Orkneys

ASPA 111—Southern Powell Island and adjacent islands, Orkney Islands

ASPA 114—North Coronation Island

ASPA 127—Haswell Island

ASPA 135—Bailey Peninsula, Budd Coast

ASPA 136—Clark Peninsula,