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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (01-094)]

Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel (ASAP); Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a forthcoming meeting of the Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel.

DATES: Wednesday, August 22, 2001, 9:30 a.m.—12:15 Eastern Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW, Room 6H46, Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David M. Lengyel, Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel Executive Director, Code Q-1, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0391.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

To discuss the NASA response to the Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel Calendar Year 2000 Annual Report, current issues, and remaining fact-finding for Calendar Year 2001.

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitors register.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 01-095]

Notice of Prospective Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of prospective patent license.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Ovidium, Inc., a Delaware corporation, has applied for a partially exclusive license to practice the inventions described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,416,618, entitled "Full Complex Modulation Using Two One-Parameter Spatial Light Modulators," U.S. Patent No. 5,768,242, entitled "Apparatus and Method For Focusing A Light Beam in A Three-Dimensional Recording Medium By A Dynamic Holographic Device," U.S. Patent No. 5,859,728, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Improved Spatial Light Modulation," U.S. Patent No. 6,055,086 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Improved Spatial Light Modulation," and NASA Case No. MSC-23320-1, entitled "Spatial Light Modulators for Full Cross-Connections in Optical Networks," which are assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Johnson Space Center.

DATES: Responses to this notice must be received by September 12, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Cate, Patent Attorney, NASA Johnson Space Center, Mail Stop HA, Houston, TX 77058-8452; telephone (281) 483-1001.

Dated: August 1, 2001.

Edward A. Frankle,
General Counsel.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Geosciences; Committee of Visitors; 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 Committee for Geosciences; Committee of Visitors for the Instrumentation and Facilities Program in the Division of Earth Sciences (1755).

Date/Time: September 12-14, 2001; 8:30 am-5:00 pm each day.

Place: Room 380, NSF, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Part-Open.

Contact Person: Dr. David Lambert, Program Director, Instrumentation and Facilities Program, Division of Earth Sciences, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292-8558.

Purpose of Meeting: To carry out Committee of Visitors (COV) review, including program evaluation, GPRA assessments, and access to privileged materials.

Agenda

Closed: September 12 from 11:00-5:00—To review the merit review processes covering funding decisions made during the immediately preceding three fiscal years of the Instrumentation and Facilities Program

Open: September 12 from 8:30-11:00—Introductions, charge and general discussion of selection process. September 13 from 8:30-5:00 and September 14 from 8:30-5:00—To assess the results of NSF program investments in the Instrumentation and Facilities Program. This shall involve a discussion and review of results focused on NSF and grantee outputs and related outcomes achieved or realized during the preceding three fiscal years. These results may be based on NSF grants or other investments made in earlier years.

Reason for closing: During the closed session, the Committee will be reviewing proposal actions that will include privileged intellectual property and personal information that could harm individuals if they are disclosed. If discussions were open to the public, these matters that are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act would be improperly disclosed.

Dated: August 8, 2001.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal Review; Notice of Meetings

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces its intent to hold proposal review meetings throughout the year. The purpose of these meetings is to provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the NSF for financial support. The agenda for each of these meetings is to review and evaluate proposals as part of the selection process for awards. The majority of these meetings will take place at NSF, 4201 Wilson, Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

All of these meetings will be closed to the public. The proposals being reviewed 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. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act. NSF will continue to review the agenda and merits of each meeting for overall compliance of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

These closed proposal review meetings will no longer be announced on an individual basis in the **Federal Register**. NSF intends to publish a notice similar to this on a quarterly basis. For an advance listing of the closed proposal review meetings that include the names of the proposal review panel and the time, date, place, and any information on changes, corrections, or cancellations, please visit the NSF web-site: www.nsf.gov/home/pubinfo/advisory.htm. This information may also be requested by telephoning 703/292-8182.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Public Hearing

The National Transportation Safety Board will convene a public hearing beginning at 9 a.m., (Eastern Daylight Time) on Wednesday, August 22-23, 2001, at the NTSB Board Room and Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20024, concerning Emery Worldwide Airlines, Inc., flight 17, McDonnell Douglas DC-8-71F, accident in Rancho Cordova, California, on February 16, 2000. For more information, contact Frank Hilldrup, NTSB Office of Aviation Safety at (202) 314-6100.

Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Ms. Carolyn Dargan on 202-314-6305 by Friday August 17, 2001.

Dated: August 8, 2001.

Vicky L. D'Onofrio,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-423]

Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., et al.; Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3 Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an exemption from certain requirements of Appendix G to Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR part 50) for Facility Operating License No. NPF-49, issued to Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. (the licensee), for operation of the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3 (MP3), located in Waterford, Connecticut. Therefore, as required by 10 CFR 50.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

The proposed action would exempt the licensee from certain requirements of Appendix G to 10 CFR part 50 to allow the application of the methodology approved for determining the pressure-temperature (P-T) limit curves in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (ASME Code), Section XI, Code Case N-640 entitled, "Alternate Reference Fracture Toughness for Development of P-T Curves for ASME Section XI, Division I."

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for an exemption dated April 23, 2001, as supplemented by letter dated June 25, 2001.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action would modify the currently approved methodology for P-T limit calculations to incorporate the methodology approved for use in Code Case N-640. Code Case N-640 allows the use of the K_{IC} fracture toughness curve instead of the K_{IA} fracture toughness curve, as required by Appendix G to Section XI, for determining P-T limits for reactor pressure vessel (RPV) materials. The exemption is needed because Code Case N-640 uses this modification in the approved methodology in Appendix G of Section XI in determining P-T limits. The proposed action also supports the licensee's application for a license amendment, dated April 23, 2001, to revise the Technical Specifications (TSs) P-T limits.

The staff has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(ii), the underlying purpose of the regulation to protect the integrity of the reactor coolant pressure boundary will continue to be served by the implementation of the code case.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that the exemption and implementation of the proposed alternative described above would provide an adequate margin of safety against brittle failure of the RPV at MP3.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released off site, and there is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential non-radiological impacts, the proposed action does not have a potential to affect any historic sites. It does not affect non-radiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, there are no significant non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action (i.e., the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

The action does not involve the use of any different resources than those previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for MP3, dated December 1984.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on June 20, 2001, the staff consulted with the Connecticut State official, Michael Firsick of the Department of Environmental Protection, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.