Emphasis Panel; Systems Level Understanding of DNA Damage Responses. *Date:* January 21, 2009.

Time: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIEHS/National Institutes of Health, Building 4401, East Campus, 79 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Sally Eckert-Tilotta, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Nat. Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, Office of Program Operations, Scientific Review Branch, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541–1446, eckertt1@niehs.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences; 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 30, 2008.

### Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS-2008-0200]

## **Homeland Security Advisory Council**

**AGENCY:** The Office of Policy, DHS. **ACTION:** Committee Management; Notice of Closed Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC) will meet on January 12, 2009 in Washington, DC. The meeting will be closed to the public. This notice supplements the original meeting notice.

**DATE:** The HSAC will meet on Monday, January 12, 2009 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at DHS Headquarters at the Nebraska Avenue Complex, Washington, DC, 20528. Comments must be identified by DHS-2008-0200 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *E-mail: hsac@dhs.gov.* Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

- Fax: (202) 282-9207.
- Mail: Homeland Security Advisory Council, Department of Homeland Security, Mailstop 0850, 245 Murray Lane, SW., Washington, DC 20528.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received by the HSAC, go to http://www.regulations.gov.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Homeland Security Advisory Council, Washington, DC 20528, (202) 447–3135, *HSAC@dhs.gov.* 

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463). The HSAC provides independent advice to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to aide in the creation and implementation of critical and actionable policies and capabilities across the spectrum of homeland security operations. The HSAC periodically reports, as requested, to the Secretary, on such matters. The HSAC serves as the Secretary's primary advisory body with the goal of providing strategic, timely and actionable advice. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires Federal Register publication 15 days prior to a meeting. The original HSAC meeting announcement was published 13 days prior to the meeting due to personnel issues. All known interested parties were made aware of the meetings with sufficient time for planning purposes. For agenda and other pertinent information please reference Federal Register Notice published on December 30, 2008 at 73 FR 79894.

Dated: January 5, 2009.

## Michael Miron,

Acting Executive Director, Homeland Security Advisory Council.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

# Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-3299-EM]

## New York; Emergency and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of New York (FEMA–3299–EM), dated December 18, 2008, and related determinations.

**DATES:** Effective Date: December 18, 2008

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated December 18, 2008, the President declared an emergency declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5207 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the emergency conditions in certain areas of the State of New York resulting from a severe winter storm beginning on December 11, 2008, and continuing, are of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5207 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such an emergency exists in the State of New York.

You are authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide assistance for emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program. This assistance excludes regular time costs for subgrantees' regular employees. In addition, you are authorized to provide such other forms of assistance under Title V of the Stafford Act as you may deem appropriate.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal emergency assistance and administrative expenses.