

Dated: November 8, 2024.

Karen H. Abrams,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: Wednesday, November 20, 2024-10 a.m.

PLACE: Meeting will take place remotely and in person at 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland, Room 420.

STATUS: Commission Meeting—Closed to the Public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Meeting Matter

Briefing Matter.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Alberta E. Mills, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-504-7479 (Office) or 240-863-8938 (Cell).

Dated: November 13, 2024.

Alberta Mills,

Commission Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

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Notice of Intent To Grant an Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Bayh-Dole Act and implementing regulations, the Department of the Air Force hereby gives notice of its intent to grant an exclusive patent license to Trustees of Tufts College, 136 Harrison Avenue, Suite 75K-950, Boston, Massachusetts 02111, USA. Such license is exclusive.

DATES: Written objections must be filed no later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the date of publication of this Notice.

ADDRESSES: Submit written objections to James F. McBride, Air Force Materiel Command Law Office, AFMCLO/JAZ, 2240 B Street, Area B, Building 11, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-7109;

Facsimile: (937) 255-9318; or Email: afmclo.jaz.tech@us.af.mil. Include Docket ARX-210727A-PL in the subject line of the message.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James F. McBride, Air Force Materiel Command Law Office, AFMCLO/JAZ, 2240 B Street, Area B, Building 11, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-7109; Telephone: (937) 713-0229; Facsimile: (937) 255-9318; or Email: afmclo.jaz.tech@us.af.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Abstract of Patents and Patent Application(s)

I. Oxygen-sensing materials and methods are disclosed. The materials include oxygen-sensing chromophores embedded in a solid matrix including silk fibroin in an amount by weight of at least 50% of the total weight of the solid matrix. The solid matrix possesses at least partial transparency at relevant wavelengths. The solid matrix is biocompatible and biodegradable. The solid matrix is not a hydrogel. The chromophores are distributed throughout the solid matrix. Tissue oxygenation can be estimated from phosphorescence measurements made from oxygen-sensing materials implanted in subject.

Intellectual Property

Silk-chromophore Composite Materials for in situ Oxygen Sensing. The invention is protected under U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No.63/317,929, filed on March 8, 2022, PCT Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US2023/014796, filed on March 8, 2023, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 18/823,853, filed on September 4, 2024.

The Department of the Air Force may grant the prospective license unless a timely objection is received that sufficiently shows the grant of the license would be inconsistent with the Bayh-Dole Act or implementing regulations. A competing application for a patent license agreement, completed in compliance with 37 CFR 404.8 and received by the Air Force within the period for timely objections, will be treated as an objection and may be considered as an alternative to the proposed license.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 209; 37 CFR 404.

Tommy W. Lee,

Acting Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Business Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Business Board (“the Board”) will take place.

DATES: Closed to the public Tuesday, November 12, 2024 from 7:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, November 13, 2024 from 8 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. Open to the public Tuesday, November 12, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., and Wednesday, November 13, 2024 from 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. All eastern time.

ADDRESSES: The open and closed portions of the meeting will be held in room B4 of the Pentagon Library Conference Center (PLCC), virtually (for public attendance of open portions), room 1E840 in the Pentagon, and Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cara Allison Marshall, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of the Board in writing at Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B1088A, Washington, DC 20301-1155; or by email at cara.l.allisonmarshall.civ@mail.mil; or by phone at 703-614-1834.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer, the Defense Business Board was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning its November 12-13, 2024 meeting. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the “Federal Advisory Committee Act” or “FACA”); 5 U.S.C. 552b(c); and 41 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The mission of the Board is to examine and advise the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense on overall DoD management and governance. The Board provides independent, strategic-level, private sector and academic advice and counsel

on enterprise-wide business management approaches and best practices for business operations and achieving National Defense goals.

Agenda: The Board will begin in closed session in the PLCC, room B4, on November 12 from 7:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. The DFO will begin the closed session followed by a welcome by Board Chair, Hon. Deborah James. The Board will receive a classified discussion on the Department's accomplishments across a range of initiatives since 2021, in the areas of capabilities, acquisitions, personnel, and business processes from Hon. Kathleen Hicks, Deputy Secretary of Defense. Next, the Board will receive a classified discussion on "National Defense Industrial Strategy Implementation Plan" from Hon. Laura Taylor-Kale, Assistant Secretary for Industrial Base Policy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment. This discussion will discuss the progress on implementing the National Defense Industrial Strategy, including key investments and initiatives to secure and make more resilient the supply chains upon which the Department depends. The DFO will adjourn the closed session. The Board will convene in open session from 10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. The DFO will begin the open session followed by a discussion on "Using Strategic Capital for National Security" from Dr. Jason Rathje, Director, Office of Strategic Capital (OSC). This discussion will focus on the strategies and partnerships that OSC is using to accelerate and scale private investment for national security to support critical technology areas and improve supply chains. The DFO will adjourn the open session. The DFO will reconvene a closed session from 10:55 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and the Board will receive a classified discussion on "DoD Current Affairs" from Hon. Lloyd Austin, Secretary of Defense. The discussion with Secretary Austin will focus on the state of the current global security environment and its implications for current and future business operations. The DFO will adjourn the closed session and the Board will break for lunch. The Board will convene in open session from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. The DFO will begin the open session followed by a briefing, deliberation, and vote on the study, "Industry Partnerships for Crises", which will be presented by the Business Operations Advisory subcommittee. This session will provide the proposed findings and recommendations related to building better relationships with industry to expand capability rapidly in

crises for the Board to consider. The open session will continue with a discussion on "Customer Experience Implementation Plan" from Mr. Robert G. Saleses, Deputy Director, Washington Headquarters Services (WHS). This discussion from Mr. Saleses will explore WHS' new "Customer Experience Implementation Plan", which aims to focus the defense field activity on delivering superior customer service to their clients. The DFO will adjourn the open session. The DFO will begin the closed session from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Board will receive a discussion on "Air Force and Space Force Management and Budget" from Ms. Melissa Dalton, Under Secretary of the Air Force. This discussion will brief the Board on her role in organizing, training, and equipping the Air Force and Space Force, including managing the annual budget of over \$200 billion. The DFO will adjourn the closed session of the day. The Board will reconvene in a closed session on November 13 in Pentagon room 1E840 from 8 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. The DFO will begin the closed session followed by a welcome by Board Chair, Hon. Deborah James. The Board will receive a classified discussion on U.S. Special Operations Command (SOCOM) from Ms. Melissa Johnson, Acquisition Executive for U.S. Special Operations Command. This discussion will explain how SOCOM engages in acquisition, development, and supply chain management, by placing authority to act at the lowest possible level and eliminating bureaucratic barriers to entry for both established and emerging businesses. The Board will next hear a classified update from Mrs. Fern Sumpter Winbush, Principal Deputy Director for the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA). This discussion will focus on the efforts in recovering unaccounted DoD personnel listed as prisoners of war and missing in action from designated past conflicts, from countries around the world, including how DPAA manages sensitive relationships with governments that have had conflicts with the U.S. to accomplish its mission. The DFO will adjourn the closed session. After a break, the Board will travel to the Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA. The DFO will begin the open session. The Board will receive their final discussion from 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. This briefing will describe the role of the Old Guard at Arlington National Cemetery, provide a tour of the Tomb area, and observe a changing of the Guard ceremony. The tour will provide insight into how rigorous and uncompromising business processes

produce one of the military's most precise, disciplined units. This is a publicly available tour and subject to any capacity limitations and security procedures required by the Cemetery of all visitors. The DFO will adjourn the meeting. The latest version of the agenda is available on the Board's website at: <https://dbb.dod.afpims.mil/Meetings/Meeting-November-2024/>.

Meeting Accessibility: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 1009(d) and 41 CFR 102-3.155, it is hereby determined that portions of the November 12—13 meeting of the Board will include classified information and other matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, those portions of the meeting will be closed to the public on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 from 7:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and closed to the public Wednesday, November 13, 2024 from 8 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. This determination is based on the consideration that it is expected that discussions throughout those portions of the meeting will involve classified matters of national security. Such classified material is so intertwined with the unclassified material that it cannot reasonably be segregated into separate discussions without defeating the effectiveness and meaning of those portions of the meeting. To permit those portions to be open to the public would preclude discussion of such matters and would greatly diminish the ultimate utility of the Board's findings and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1009(a)(1) and 41 CFR 102-3.140, the portions of the meeting on November 12 from 10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. are open to the public virtually. The portion of the meeting on November 13 from 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. is open to the public at Arlington National Cemetery. The Board will gather at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Persons desiring to attend the public portions are required to register. To attend the public portions of the meeting, submit your name, affiliation/organization, telephone number, and email contact information to the Board at osd.pentagon.odam.mbx.defense-business-board@mail.mil. Requests to attend the public portions must be received no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2024. Upon receipt of this information, the Board will provide further instructions for virtually attending the meeting.

Written Comments and Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140 and 5 U.S.C. 1009(a)(3), the public or interested organizations may

submit written comments or statements to the Board in response to the stated agenda of the meeting or regarding the Board's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Ms. Cara Allison Marshall, the DFO, via electronic mail (the preferred mode of submission) at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. The DFO must receive written comments or statements submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice by 4 p.m. on Friday, November 8, 2024, to be considered by the Board. The DFO will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the Board Chair and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the Board before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the Board until its next scheduled meeting. Please note that all submitted comments and statements will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the Board's website.

Dated: November 13, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Inland Waterways Users Board Meeting Notice

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of open Federal advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce the Federal advisory committee meeting of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Inland Waterways Users Board (Board). This meeting is open to the public. For additional information about the Board, please visit the committee's website at <https://www.iwr.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/Inland-Waterways-Users-Board/>.

DATES: The Army Corps of Engineers, Inland Waterways Users Board will

conduct a meeting from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. EST on December 13, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The Inland Waterways Users Board meeting will be conducted at the Hilton Garden Inn Reagan National Airport, Salons 1, 2, & 3, 2020 Richmond Highway, Arlington VA, 22202. The online virtual portion of the Inland Waterways Users Board meeting can be accessed at <https://usace1.webex.com/meet/ndc.nav>, Public Call-in: USA Toll-Free 844-800-2712, USA Caller Paid/International Toll: 1-669-234-1177 Access Code: 199 117 3596, Security Code 1234.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Paul D. Clouse, the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the committee, in writing at the Institute for Water Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CEIWR-NDC, 7701 Telegraph Road, Casey Building (Room H221), Alexandria, VA 22315-3868; by telephone at 202-768-3157; or by email at Paul.D.Clouse@usace.army.mil. Alternatively, contact Mr. Steven D. Riley, an Alternate Designated Federal Officer (ADFO), in writing at the Institute for Water Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CEIWR-NDC, 7701 Telegraph Road, Casey Building, Alexandria, VA 22315-3868; by telephone at 703-659-3097; or by email at Steven.D.Riley@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This committee meeting is being held under the provisions of chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the "Federal Advisory Committee Act" or "FACA"), section 552b of title 5, U.S.C. (commonly known as the "Government in the Sunshine Act"), and §§ 102-3.140 and 102-3.150 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

Purpose of the Meeting: The Board is chartered to provide independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of the Army on construction and rehabilitation project investments on the commercial navigation features of the inland waterways system of the United States. At this meeting, the Board will receive briefings and presentations regarding the investments, projects, and status of the inland waterways system of the United States and conduct discussions and deliberations on those matters. The Board is interested in written and verbal comments from the public relevant to these purposes.

Agenda: At this meeting the agenda will include an update on the status of the Inland Waterways Trust Fund (IWTF); 2025 Capital Investment Strategy Update; Cost escalations; Inland waterways modernization project

updates for Chickamauga Lock and the Kentucky Lock Addition on the Tennessee River, the Upper Ohio River Montgomery Lock, Lower Monongahela Locks 2,3,& 4, Mississippi River-Illinois Waterway Navigation and Ecosystem Sustainability Program (NESP) Lock 25, and McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MKARNS) Three Rivers; Asset Management Update; Major Rehabilitation Reports Update; Inland Waterways Users Board Project Advisors.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: A copy of the agenda or any updates to the agenda for the December 13, 2024, meeting will be available. The final version will be available at the meeting. All materials will be posted to the website for the meeting.

Public Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Registration of members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Participation is on a first-to-arrive basis. Any interested person may participate in the meeting, file written comments or statements with the committee, or make verbal comments during the public meeting, at the times, and in the manner, permitted by the committee, as set forth below.

Special Accommodations: Individuals requiring any special accommodations related to the public meeting or seeking additional information about the procedures, should contact Mr. Paul Clouse, the committee DFO, or Mr. Steven Riley, an ADFO, at the email addresses or telephone numbers listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section, at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Written Comments or Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the Board about its mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr. Clouse, the committee DFO, or Mr. Riley, a committee ADFO, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the addresses listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. The comment or statement must include the author's name, title, affiliation, address, and daytime telephone number. Written