

system² by the deadline indicated above will be made part of the record of the proceeding. The Commission will use such statements and documents as appropriate to inform its pre-hearing questions to the staff and applicant, its inquiries at the oral hearing, and its decision following the hearing. The Commission may also request, on or about January 7, 2015, that one or more particular U.S. States, local government bodies, Indian tribes, Canadian Provinces, local government bodies, or First Nations send one representative each to the evidentiary hearing to answer Commission questions and/or make a statement for the purpose of assisting the Commission's exploration of one or more of the issues raised by the U.S. State, local government body, Indian tribe, Canadian Province, local government body, or First Nation in the pre-hearing filings described above. The decision whether to request the presence of a representative of a U.S. State, local government body, Indian tribe, Canadian Province, local government body, or First Nation at the evidentiary hearing to make a statement and/or answer Commission questions is solely at the Commission's discretion. The Commission's request will specify the issue or issues that each representative should be prepared to address.

U.S. States, local governments, Indian tribes, Canadian Provinces, local governments, and First Nations should be aware that this evidentiary hearing is separate and distinct from the NRC's contested hearing process. Issues within the scope of contentions that have been admitted or contested issues pending before the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board or the Commission in a contested proceeding for a COL application are outside the scope of the uncontested proceeding for that COL application. In addition, although U.S. States, local governments, Indian tribes, Canadian Provinces, local governments, or First Nations participating as described above may take any position they wish, or no position at all, with respect to issues regarding the COL application or the NRC staff's associated environmental review that do fall within the scope of the uncontested proceeding (*i.e.*, issues that are not within the scope of

admitted contentions or pending contested issues), they should be aware that many of the procedures and rights applicable to the NRC's contested hearing process due to the inherently adversarial nature of such proceedings are not available in the uncontested hearing. Participation in the NRC's contested hearing process is governed by 10 CFR 2.309 (for persons or entities, including U.S. States, local governments, Indian tribes, Canadian Provinces, local governments, or First Nations seeking to participate with respect to contentions filed by others). Participation in this uncontested hearing does not affect a U.S. State's, local government's, Indian tribe's, Canadian Province's, local government's, or First Nation's right to participate in the separate contested hearing process.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of December, 2014.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette L. Vietti-Cook,
Secretary of the Commission.

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

National Science and Technology Council

Notice of Public Meetings: Public Meetings of the National Science and Technology Council; Committee on Technology; Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology Subcommittee; National Nanotechnology Coordination Office

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Nanotechnology Coordination Office (NNCO), on behalf of the Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology (NSET) Subcommittee of the Committee on Technology, National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) and in collaboration with the European Commission, will hold the 2015 "EU-U.S.: Bridging NanoEHS Research Efforts" joint workshop on March 12-13, 2015, in Venice, Italy. The workshop will bring together the U.S.-EU Communities of Research (CORs), which serve as a platform for U.S. and EU scientists to share information on nanoEHS research. The six Communities were established

in 2012 and are listed below. This workshop—the 4th since 2011—is intended to further develop and support the CORs' activities.

- Exposure through the Life Cycle, with Material Characterization.
- Ecotoxicity Testing and Predictive Models, with Material Characterization.
- Predictive Modeling for Human Health, with Material Characterization.
- Databases and Ontologies.
- Risk Assessment.
- Risk Management and Control.

DATES: Thursday, March 12, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Friday, March 13, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at Ca' Foscari University of Venice at Dorsoduro 3689—30123 in Venice, Italy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding this Notice, please contact Stacey Standridge at National Nanotechnology Coordination Office, by telephone (703-292-8103) or email (sstandridge@nnco.nano.gov). Additional information about the workshop, including the agenda, is posted at <http://us-eu.org/2015workshop/>.

Registration: Due to space limitations, pre-registration for the workshop is required. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and will be capped at approximately 100 participants. Registration will open on Thursday, December 4, 2014. Individuals planning to attend the workshop should register online at <http://www.sun-fp7.eu/events/upcoming-events/eu-us-bridging-nanoehs-research-efforts-a-joint-workshop-2015/>. Written notices of participation by email should be sent to sstandridge@nnco.nano.gov or mailed to Stacey Standridge, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Stafford II, Suite 405, Arlington, VA 22230. Written notices must be received by February 15, 2015, to be considered.

Meeting Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodation to access this public meeting should contact Stacey Standridge (telephone 703-292-8103) at least ten business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Ted Wackler,
Deputy Chief of Staff and Assistant Director.

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² The process for accessing and using the agency's E-filing system is described in the March 17, 2009, notice of hearing that was issued by the Commission for this proceeding. See Notice of Hearing 74 FR 836. Participants who are unable to use the electronic information exchange (EIE), or who will have difficulty complying with EIE requirements in the time frame provided for submission of written statements, may provide their statements by electronic mail to hearingdocket@nrc.gov.