

Signed at Washington, DC, on April 1, 2014.

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Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the NEA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection on arts participation in the U.S. A copy of the current information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the address section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the address section below on or before June 1, 2014. The NEA is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated,

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to: Sunil Iyengar, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 616, Washington, DC 20506-0001, telephone (202) 682-5424 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 682-5677 or send them via email to research@arts.gov.

Dated: April 2, 2014.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Office of Guidelines and Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Emergency Provision Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541)

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit emergency provision for hazardous waste stored in Antarctica at McMurdo Station for more than 15 months due to an emergency, as specified by § 671.17.

SUMMARY: The Program of Environment Safety and Health in the Division of Polar Programs in accordance with § 671.17, is giving notice that an emergency relating to considerations of human health and safety and ship safety caused hazardous waste to be stored at McMurdo Station for more than 15 months.

Hazardous waste in the form of batteries (1,600 lbs), biomedical waste from the clinic (4,500 lbs), chemical waste (31,000 lbs), compressed gases (2,000 lbs), hazardous debris (18,000 lbs), glycol (65,500 lbs), PCBs from cleanup of historic activities (1,100 lbs), petroleum products (132,600 lbs), radioactive material from scientific research (1,200 lbs) and solvents/paints (3,200 lbs) was segregated and packaged for removal from McMurdo Station at the end of the 2013-2014 season and was to be removed from the station in February 2014.

On 6 February 2014, cargo operations to load the containers containing the segregated and packaged waste from the ice pier onto the *M/V Maersk Illinois* were suspended due to safety issues. Conditions of very high winds (30 knots sustained and up to 50 knot gusts) and severe wave action made operations on the ice pier dangerous. Throughout the course of the two day storm, several of

the lines from the ship to the ice pier parted and the ice pier fractured into multiple pieces. A short lull in the storm on 7 February provided the ship the opportunity to safely pull away from the ice pier. The storm brought an increasing number of icebergs to the area and in the interest of safety, the ship proceeded north away from McMurdo Station. Once the storm had subsided, the broken ice pier was found to be unfit for further operations and all containers (including those containing the packaged hazardous waste) which had not been previously loaded onto the cargo ship remained on station. The packaged waste material has been secured until removal during the 2014-2015 season.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Polly A. Penhale at (703) 292-7420.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Polar Coordination Specialist, Division of Polar Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2014-0001]

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

DATE: Weeks of April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 2014.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

Week of April 7, 2014

Thursday, April 10, 2014

8:55 a.m.—Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative)

Aerotest Operations, Inc. (Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor), Joint Demand for Hearing on Denial of License Renewal and Indirect License Transfer Regarding Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor Facility Operating License No. R-98 (Aug. 13, 2013); Joint Answer to and Demand for Hearing on Order Prohibiting Operation of Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor Facility Operating License No. R-98 (Aug. 13, 2013); NRC Staff Motion to Sever the Demand for Hearing on Denial of License Renewal from the Demand for Hearing on Indirect License Transfer Regarding Aerotest Radiography and Research Reactor (Aug. 21, 2013). (Tentative)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

9 a.m.—Meeting with Organization of Agreement States (OAS) and Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD) (Public Meeting) (Contact: Cindy Flannery, 301-415-0223)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Week of April 14, 2014—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of April 14, 2014.

Week of April 21, 2014—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of April 21, 2014.

Week of April 28, 2014—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of April 28, 2014.

Week of May 5, 2014—Tentative

Thursday, May 8, 2014

9 a.m.—Briefing on Subsequent License Renewal (Public Meeting) (Contact: William (Butch) Burton, 301-415-6332)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Friday, May 9, 2014

9 a.m.—Meeting with the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (Public Meeting) (Contact: Sophie Holiday, 301-415-7865)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov/>.

Week of May 12, 2014—Tentative

Monday, May 12, 2014

9:30 a.m.—Briefing on NRC International Activities (Closed—Ex. 1 & 9)

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The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings, call (recording)—301-415-1292. Contact person for more information: Rochelle Baval, 301-415-1651.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/schedule.html>.

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by email at Kimberly.Meyer-Chambers@nrc.gov. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

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Members of the public may request to receive this information electronically. If you would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20555 (301-415-1969), or send an email to Darlene.Wright@nrc.gov.

Dated: April 3, 2014.

Rochelle Baval,

Policy Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Extension:

Rule 15c2-11; SEC File No. 270-196, OMB Control No. 3235-0202.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (“PRA”), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 15c2-11, (17 CFR 240.15c2-11), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) (“Exchange Act”). The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

Rule 15c2-11 under the Securities Exchange Act regulates the initiation or resumption of quotations in a quotation medium by a broker-dealer for over-the-counter (“OTC”) securities. The Rule was designed primarily to prevent certain manipulative and fraudulent trading schemes that had arisen in connection with the distribution and trading of unregistered securities issued by shell companies or other companies having outstanding but infrequently traded securities. Subject to certain exceptions, the Rule prohibits broker-dealers from publishing a quotation for a security, or submitting a quotation for publication, in a quotation medium unless they have reviewed specified information concerning the security and the issuer.

Based on information provided by Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”), in the 2013 calendar year, FINRA received approximately 1,009 applications from broker-dealers to initiate or resume publication of quotations of covered OTC securities on the OTC Bulletin Board and/or OTC Link or other quotation mediums. We estimate that (i) 31% of the covered OTC securities were issued by reporting issuers, while the other 69% were issued by non-reporting issuers, and (ii) it will take a broker-dealer about 4 hours to review, record and retain the information pertaining to a reporting issuer, and about 8 hours to review, record and retain the information pertaining to a non-reporting issuer.

We therefore estimate that broker-dealers who initiate or resume publication of quotations for covered OTC securities of reporting issuers will require 1,236 hours (1,009 × 31% × 4) to review, record and retain the information required by the Rule. We estimate that broker-dealers who initiate or resume publication of quotations for covered OTC securities of non-reporting issuers will require 5,600 hours (1,009 × 69% × 8) to review, record and retain the information required by the Rule. Thus, we estimate the total annual burden hours for broker-dealers to initiate or resume publication of quotations of covered OTC securities to be 6,836 hours (1,236 + 5,600). The Commission believes that these 6,836 hours would be borne by internal staff working at a rate of \$53 per hour.¹

Subject to certain exceptions, the Rule prohibits broker-dealers from publishing a quotation for a security, or submitting a quotation for publication, in a quotation medium unless they have reviewed specified information concerning the security and the issuer. The broker-dealer must also make the information reasonably available upon request to any person expressing an interest in a proposed transaction in the security with such broker or dealer. The collection of information that is submitted to FINRA for review and approval is currently not available to the public from FINRA.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to

¹ See Appendix C, SIFMA Office Salaries Data—Sept. 2012 for General Clerk national hourly rate.