

mine transits, total station surveying equipment, distance meters, and data loggers. The petitioner states that:

(1) To comply with requirements for mine ventilation maps and mine maps in 30 CFR 75.372, 75.1002(a), and 75.1200, use of the most practical and accurate surveying equipment is necessary. To ensure the safety of the miners in active mines and to protect miners in future mines that may mine in close proximity to these same active mines, it is necessary to determine the exact location and extent of the mine workings.

(2) Underground mining by its nature and size, and the complexity of mine plans, requires that accurate and precise measurements be completed in a prompt and efficient manner. The petitioner proposes the following as an alternative to the existing standard:

(a) Nonpermissible electronic surveying equipment will be used within 150 feet of pillar workings. Such nonpermissible surveying equipment includes, but is not limited to, portable battery-operated total station surveying equipment, mine transit distance meters, and data loggers.

(b) All nonpermissible electronic surveying equipment to be used within 150 feet of pillar workings will be examined prior to use to ensure the equipment is being maintained in a safe operating condition. These examinations will include the following steps:

(i) Checking the instrument for any physical damage and the integrity of the case;

(ii) Removing the battery and inspecting for corrosion;

(iii) Inspecting the contact points to ensure a secure connection to the battery;

(iv) Reinserting the battery and powering up and shutting down to ensure proper connections; and

(v) Checking the battery compartment cover to ensure that it is securely fastened.

(c) The results of such examinations will be recorded and retained for one year and made available to MSHA on request.

(d) A qualified person as defined in 30 CFR 75.151 will continuously monitor for methane immediately before and during the use of nonpermissible surveying equipment within 150 feet of pillar workings.

(e) Nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be used if methane is detected in concentrations at or above one percent for the area being surveyed. When methane is detected at such levels while the nonpermissible surveying equipment is being used, the equipment

will be deenergized immediately and the nonpermissible electronic equipment withdrawn further than 150 feet from pillar workings.

(f) All hand-held methane detectors will be MSHA-approved and maintained in permissible and proper operating condition as required in 30 CFR 75.320.

(g) Batteries in the surveying equipment will be changed out or charged in fresh air more than 150 feet from pillar workings.

(h) Qualified personnel who use surveying equipment will be properly trained to recognize the hazards and limitations associated with the use of nonpermissible surveying equipment in areas where methane could be present.

(i) The nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be put into service until MSHA has initially inspected the equipment and determined that it is in compliance with all the terms and conditions in this petition.

Within 60 days after the Proposed Decision and Order becomes final, the petitioner will submit proposed revisions for its approved 30 CFR part 48 training plan to the DM. The revisions will specify initial and refresher training regarding the terms and conditions in the Proposed Decision and Order.

The petitioner asserts that application of the existing standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners and that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection as that afforded by the existing standard.

Dated: August 9, 2013.

George F. Triebisch,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.

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MORRIS K. UDALL AND STEWART L. UDALL FOUNDATION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: Electronic meeting to be held via email exchanges Tuesday, August 27, 2013, 8:00 a.m. (PDT), through Friday, August 30, 2013.

PLACE: Executive Session held via email.

STATUS: This special meeting of the Board of Trustees, to be held Electronically (in accordance with Foundation Operating Procedures), is closed to the public since it is necessary for the Board to consider items in Executive Session.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Discuss and vote on the candidate for Executive Director of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation, Philip J. Lemanski, as proposed by the Executive Committee as appointed and acting as the required Selection Committee.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Stephanie Zimmt-Mack, General Counsel, 130 South Scott Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701, (520) 901-8500.

Dated: August 9, 2013.

Elizabeth E. Monroe,

Executive Assistant, Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation, and Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 13-095]

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Grant Exclusive License.

SUMMARY: This notice is issued in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(e) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i). NASA hereby gives notice of its intent to grant an exclusive license in the United States to practice the inventions described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 7,790,787; NASA Case No. KSC-12890 entitled "Aerogel/Polymer Composite Materials;" U.S. Patent No. 7,309,738; NASA Case No. KSC-12697 entitled "Approach for Achieving Flame Retardancy While Retaining Physical Properties in a Compatible Polymer Matrix;" and U.S. Patent No. 7,968,648; KSC-12697-3 entitled "Approach for Achieving Flame Retardancy While Retaining Physical Properties in a Compatible Polymer Matrix;" to AeroPlastic LP, having its principal place of business at 1325 White Drive, Titusville, FL 32780. The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The prospective exclusive license will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

DATES: The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, NASA receives written objections including evidence and argument that establish that the grant of the license would not be

consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. Competing applications completed and received by NASA within fifteen (15) days of the date of this published notice will also be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated exclusive license.

Objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available to the public for inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

ADDRESSES: Objections relating to the prospective license may be submitted to Patent Counsel, Office of the Chief Counsel, Mail Code CC-A, NASA John F. Kennedy Space Center, Kennedy Space Center, FL 32899. Telephone: 321-867-2076; Facsimile: 321-867-1817.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shelley Ford, Patent Counsel, Office of the Chief Counsel, Mail Code CC-A, NASA John F. Kennedy Space Center, Kennedy Space Center, FL 32899. Telephone: 321-867-2076; Facsimile: 321-867-1817. Information about other NASA inventions available for licensing can be found online at <http://technology.nasa.gov/>.

Sumara M. Thompson-King,
Deputy General Counsel.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Establish an Information Collection

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation (NSF) is inviting the general public or other Federal agencies to comment on this proposed information collection.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Foundation, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Foundation's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the

collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by October 15, 2013, to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. Send comments to address below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1265, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 292-7556; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-(800) 877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Computer and Information Science and Engineering Reporting Requirements.

OMB Number: 3145-NEW.

Expiration Date of Approval: Not applicable.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to establish an information collection.

Abstract

Proposed Project

The National Science Foundation's Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE), through its Expeditions in Computing (EIC), Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC) Frontier, Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) Frontier, and Future Internet Architecture (FIA) programs, supports an integrated, interdisciplinary research environment to advance fundamental computing, communications, and information science and engineering; educate a globally competitive and diverse workforce from K-12 on; and join academe and industry in partnership to achieve these goals. Projects funded through these four programs represent some of the largest single investments made by CISE and form the centerpiece of the directorate's award portfolio. Through these awards, the recipients conduct world-class research, creating new knowledge that is meaningfully linked to society.

Specifically, EIC, SaTC and CPS Frontier, and FIA projects constitute near center-scale activities that catalyze far-reaching research explorations motivated by deep scientific questions

or hard problems in the computing and information fields, and/or by compelling applications that promise significant societal benefits. They stimulate significant research and education outcomes that, through effective knowledge transfer mechanisms, promise significant scientific, economic, and/or other societal benefits.

These projects foster research climates that nurture creativity and informed risk-taking, and value complementary research and education contributions such that each whole project is greater than the sum of its parts; draw upon well-integrated, diverse teams of investigators from one or more disciplines within computer and information science and engineering, as well as investigators from other fields where necessary; stimulate effective knowledge transfer; and demonstrate experimental systems or support shared experimental facilities (including instruments, platforms and/or testbeds), where necessary, to enable discovery and learning.

The EIC, SaTC and CPS Frontier, and FIA projects enable and foster excellent education, integrate research and education, speed knowledge/technology transfer through partnerships between academe and industry, and prepare a more competitive future workforce. They capitalize on diversity through participation in project activities and demonstrate leadership in the involvement of groups underrepresented in computer and information science and engineering.

Awardees will be required to submit annual project reports on progress and plans, which will be used as a basis for performance review and determining the level of continued funding. Such reporting requirements will be included as terms and conditions in the award letter.

Each project's annual report will address the reporting components specified in the Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR; <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/rppr/>). However, the significant size and complexity of the set of awards noted above (up to \$10 million per project over five years, with as many as 20 PIs and 40 students/postdocs per project across multiple institutions) warrants additional detail to ensure adequate oversight and proper stewardship of funds. Thus, in contrast to the RPPR format, there will be no length limitations for any sections of the report.

Use of the Information: The data collected will be used for NSF internal reports, historical data, performance