

application by November 6, 2003. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadene Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-8030.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed Antarctic Waste Regulations, 45 CFR part 671, that requires all U.S. citizens and entities to obtain a permit for the use or release of a designated pollutant in Antarctica, and for the release of waste in Antarctica.

The waste permit applications received are as follows:

[Permit Application No. 2004 WM-004]

1. Applicant

Ralph Fedor, 2337 Granite View Road, Waite Park, MN 56387.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: The applicant is a member of the Peter 1st Ham Radio Expedition and makes this application for a Waste Management Permit for the use and release of designated pollutants. The applicant along with approximately 15 others will establish a temporary camp on Seal Island using several Weather Haven shelters for sleeping, cooking and eating, and two small lab or work areas. The camp will be established for approximately 2.5 weeks, after which it will be removed. Propane tanks for cooking and 55 gallon drums of unleaded gas will be used to operate electric generators. These items will be secured and have tarps underneath to contain any possible spills. Daily inspections will be conducted to ensure items are secure. All human, paper, kitchen wastes will be removed from Antarctica. All items brought ashore will be returned to the ship for proper disposition.

Location: Peter I Island.

Dates: January 9, 2004 to February 9, 2004.

[Permit Application No. 2004 WM-005]

2. Applicant

David Rootes, Environmental Manager, Antarctic Logistics and Expeditions, Ltd., 4350 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 840, Arlington, VA 22203.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Antarctic Logistics and Expeditions, Ltd (ALE) will provide logistic support for expeditions to Antarctica and will operate from Patriot Hills, Antarctica, for the 2003/2004 season. Primary logistics support and operations are offered for Mt. Vinson climbing groups as well as private expeditions along the general route to the South Pole. ALE proposes to establish a base camp in the Patriot Hills to support its expeditions. Unleaded fuel for snowmobile and generators, and white gas for cooking will be secured and spill mats and drip trays will be used to minimize possible spills. All food waste, sewage, solid wastes (*i.e.*, paper, plastics, timber, metal, glass, and fuel drums) will be removed from Antarctica or proper disposal.

Location: Patriot Hills, Antarctica.

Dates: November 1, 2003 to February 29, 2008.

[Permit Application No. 2004 WM-006]

Jennifer Miller, Solo World Challenge, Ltd. "Polar First", Flat 2, One Onslow Gardens, London SW7 3LX, UK.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Solo World Challenge Ltd. ("Polar First") makes application for a waste management permit for the use and release of designated pollutants and wastes generated by two pilots and a Bell 407 helicopter during their journey from Punta Arenas to the South Pole and back. Approximately 5,440 liters of Jet A1 fuel will be stored at various caches for refueling the helicopter. The Jet A1 fuel will also be used for the cooking stove. The pilots will have a fuel proof, rubberized container of suitable size to fit the drums during refueling to catch any possible spillage. The pilots will carry approximately 3 gallons of oil, and ½ liter of hydraulic fuel for maintenance purposes. Sewage, solid, and food wastes will be stored in containers and removed from Antarctica for proper disposal.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula area and onward toward the South Pole.

Dates: November 6, 2003 to January 15, 2004.

Nadene G. Kennedy,
Permit Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

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

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Pub. L. 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by November 6, 2003. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-7405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

[Permit Application No. 2004-015]

1. Applicant

Richard R. Veit, Biology Department, The College of Staten Island, 2800 Victory Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10314.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take. The applicant proposes capture and release up to 5 individuals each of Cape Petrel, Wilson's Storm Petrel, Black-bellied Storm Petrel, Brown Skua, Kelp Gull, and Antarctic Tern. The applicant plans to assess the breeding condition of the birds, and to determine diet, based on regurgitations and fecal samples about the next.

Location: Seal Island, Antarctic Peninsula.

Dates: November 23, 2003 to December 26, 2003.

[Permit Application No. 2004-016]

2. Applicant

Terry J. Wilson, Department of Geological Sciences, Ohio State University, 155 S. Oval Mall, Columbus, OH 43210.

Activity for Which Permit is

Requested: Enter Antarctic Specialty Protected Areas. The applicant proposes to enter Cape Crozier (ASPA #124) and Beaufort Island (ASPA #105) for the purpose of visiting the previously installed GPS monuments that were deployed to detect motion of the bedrock due to tectonism or post-glacial rebound. GPS receivers will be installed then later removed and local GPS surveys will be conducted in an area within approximately 50 meters of the monument.

Location: Cape Crozier, Ross Island (ASPA #124), and Beaufort Island, Ross Sea (ASPA #105).

Dates: November 03, 2003 to January 31, 2007.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal Review Panel in Advanced Computational Infrastructure and Research Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting. This meeting was originally scheduled for September 18 and 19, 2003 and had to be cancelled due to Hurricane Isabel.

Name: Proposal Review Panel in Advanced Computational Infrastructure & Research (#1185).

Date & Time: October 23, 2003; 8 a.m.-5 p.m.—October 24, 2003; 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Place: ACCESS Center, 901 N. Stuart Street, 8th Floor, Arlington, VA 22203.

Type of Meeting: Open.

For Further Information Contact: Richard Hilderbrandt, Program Director, Division of Advanced Computational Infrastructure and Research, Suite 1112, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Tel: (703) 292-8963, e-mail: rhilderb@nsf.gov.

Purpose of Meeting: To perform a reverse site visit to review and provide advice and recommendations on ACI program plans and review progress reports for NPACI, NCSA and PSC as part of the PACI activity.

Agenda: To review and evaluate annual reports and program plans.

Dated: October 3, 2003.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-7580-MLA-3; ASLBP No. 04-816-01-MLA]

Fansteel Inc.; Designation of Presiding Officer

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission, *see* 37 FR 28710 (Dec. 29, 1972), and the Commission's regulations, *see* 10 CFR 2.1201, 2.1207, notice is hereby given that (1) a single member of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel is designated as Presiding Officer to rule on petitions for leave to intervene and/or requests for hearing; and (2) upon making the requisite findings in accordance with 10 CFR 2.1205(h), the Presiding Officer will conduct an adjudicatory hearing in the following proceeding: Fansteel Inc., Muskogee, Oklahoma (Materials License Amendment).

The hearing will be conducted pursuant to 10 CFR part 2, subpart L, of the Commission's Regulations, "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials and Operator Licensing Proceedings." This proceeding concerns a request for hearing submitted on September 10, 2003, by the State of Oklahoma. The request was filed in response to an August 5, 2003 notice of consideration and opportunity for a hearing regarding a July 24, 2003 amendment request from Fansteel Inc., to amend its 10 CFR part 40 source material license, which was published in the **Federal Register** on August 11, 2003 (68 FR 47621). The requested license amendment would authorize decommissioning of the Fansteel Inc. facility located in Muskogee, Oklahoma in accordance with a January 14, 2003 site decommissioning plan (as amended on May 8, 2003).

The Presiding Officer in this proceeding is Administrative Judge Alan S. Rosenthal. Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.722, 2.1209, Administrative Judge Richard F. Cole has been appointed to assist the Presiding Officer in taking evidence and in preparing a suitable record for review.

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed with Judges Rosenthal and Cole in accordance with 10 CFR 2.1203. Their addresses are:

Alan S. Rosenthal, Administrative Judge, Presiding Officer, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Richard F. Cole, Administrative Judge, Special Assistant, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Issued at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of October, 2003.

G. Paul Bollwerk, III,

Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Office of Federal Financial Management Policy Directive on Use of Grants.gov FIND

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of final policy directive.

SUMMARY: The Office of Federal Financial Management (OFFM) is issuing a policy directive requiring Federal agencies to use the Grants.gov FIND module to electronically post synopses of funding opportunities under Federal financial assistance programs that award discretionary grants and cooperative agreements. The policy directive includes an attachment which contains the government-wide standard set of data elements to be used by Federal agencies when posting synopses at <http://www.Grants.gov> or such Web site/Internet address designated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The purpose of the Grants.gov FIND module is to provide potential applicants with (1) enough information about any funding opportunity to decide whether they are interested in viewing the full announcement; (2) information on one or more ways to obtain the full announcement (e.g., an Internet site, e-mail address or telephone number); and (3) one common Web site for all Federal grant opportunities searchable by key word, date, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number or specific agency name. The Federal agencies jointly developed the standard data elements to be used for posting the synopses information as part of their grant streamlining efforts to implement the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-107).