The National Science Foundation (NSF) has revised its system notices to comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 and to reflect changes in the way it administers fellowships and awards. The revised notices are effective February 22, 1995.

### SUMMARY

Pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), the National Science Foundation is providing notice of a revision to two systems of records—NSF-12, “Fellowships and other Awards,” and NSF-50, “Principal Investigator/Proposal File and Associated Records.” Both systems include records maintained by NSF as a result of applications for financial support and subsequent evaluation of applicants and their proposals. System 12 contains records on fellowship applicants and on nominees for fellowships submitted by an institution on behalf of the nominee, and on nominees for other awards. Fellowship awards are usually administered by the applicant or nominee's home institution. System 50 contains records on research and other proposals jointly submitted by individual applicants (principal investigators) and their home academic or other institutions. NSF makes awards to these institutions under which the individual applicants serve as principal investigators.

NSF revised these system notices to eliminate two redundant or otherwise unnecessary routine uses and to alter existing routine uses to make them consistent between each related system. Both system notices are reprinted in their entirety.

In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act, NSF has provided a report on the proposed systems of records to the Office of Management and Budget, to the Chairman, Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Chairman, House Committee on Government Operations (now Government Reform and Oversight).

### EFFECTIVE DATE

Sections 552a(e)(4) and (11) of Title 5 of the U.S. Code provides the public thirty days to comment on the routine uses of systems of records. The altered routine uses in this notice will take effect on February 22, 1995, unless modified by a subsequent notice to incorporate comments received from the public.

### ADDRESSES

Written comments should be submitted to the NSF Privacy Act Officer, National Science Foundation, Division of Contracts, Policy and Oversight, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, room 485, Arlington, Virginia 22230.


Herman G. Fleming,
NSF Privacy Act Officer.

### SYSTEM NAME:

- **NSF-12**
  - **SYSTEM NAME:** Fellowships and other Awards.
  - **SYSTEM LOCATION:** Decentralized. Numerous separate files are maintained by individual offices and programs at the National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.
  - **CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:** Persons applying or nominated for and/or receiving NSF support, either individually or through an academic institution, including fellowships or awards of various types.
  - **CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:** Information varies depending on type of fellowship or award. Normally the information includes personal information supplied with the application or nomination; reference reports; transcripts and Graduate Record Examination scores to the extent required during the application process; abstracts; evaluations and recommendations, review records and selection process results; administrative data and correspondence accumulating during fellows' tenure; and other related materials. There is a cumulative index of all persons applying for or receiving NSF Graduate and Nato fellowships.

### Routine Uses of Records Maintained in the System, Including Categories of Users and the Purposes of Such Uses:

1. Information from the system may be made to qualified reviewers for the purpose to coordinate programs; and to contractors assisting NSF staff in the performance of their duties. Contractors are subject to the provisions of the Privacy Act.

2. Information (such as name, Social Security Number, field of study, and other information directly relating to the fellowship, review status including the agency's decision, year of first award, tenure pattern, start time, whether receiving international travel allowance or a mentoring assistantship) is given to the institution the applicant or fellow is attending or planning to attend or employed by for purposes of facilitating review or award decisions or administering fellowships or awards. Notice of the agency's decision may be given to nominators.

3. In the case of Fellows or awardees receiving stipends directly from the Government, information is transmitted to the Department of the Treasury for preparation of checks or electronic fund transfer authorizations.

4. Awardees' name, home institution, and field of study may be released for public information/affairs purposes including press releases.

5. Disclosure may be made for this purpose to contractors and collaborating researchers, other Government agencies, and qualified research institutions and their staffs. NSF contractors are subject to the provisions of the Privacy Act. The results of such studies are statistical in nature and do not identify individuals.

6. Information (such as name, Social Security Number, field of study, and other information directly relating to the fellowship, review status including the agency's decision, year of first award, tenure pattern, start time, whether receiving international travel allowance or a mentoring assistantship) is given to the institution the applicant or fellow is attending or planning to attend or employed by for purposes of facilitating review or award decisions or administering fellowships or awards. Notice of the agency's decision may be given to nominators.

7. Information from the system may be given to contractors, grantees, volunteers and other individuals who perform a service or work on or under a contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or other arrangement with or for the Federal government.

8. Information from the system may be given to the Department of Justice or the Office of Management and Budget for the purpose of obtaining advice on the application of the Freedom of Information Act or Privacy Act to the records.

9. Information from the system may be given to another Federal agency, a
court, or a party in litigation before a court or in an administrative proceeding being conducted by a Federal agency when the Government is a party to the judicial or administrative proceeding.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:
The records kept by the NSF contractor are on computer tapes. All original application materials are kept at NSF. However, microfilms of application materials received prior to 1963 are kept at NAS.

RETRIEVABILITY:
Alphabetically by applicant or nominee name.

SAFEGUARDS:
Building is locked during non-business hours. Records at NSF are kept in rooms that are locked during non-business hours. Records maintained by NSF contractors are kept in similar rooms and some records are locked in cabinets. Records maintained in electronic form are accessible only by protected password and available only to those employees with a need-to-know.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:
NAS tapes are kept indefinitely. Records at NSF are transferred to the Federal Records Center and destroyed 10 years after completion of Fellowship or award.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:
Division Director of particular office or program maintaining such records, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:
Contact the NSF Privacy Act Officer in accordance with procedures found at 45 CFR part 613. You can expedite your request if you identify the fellowship or award program about which you are interested. For example, indicate whether you applied for or received a "Graduate Fellowship" or a "Faculty Fellowship in Science" as opposed to merely saying you want a copy of your fellowship.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURE:
See "Notification" above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURE:
See "Notification" above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:
Information supplied by of for individuals applying for, nominated for, or receiving support, references, the Education Testing Service, educational institutions supplying transcripts, review records and administrative data developed during selection process and award tenure.

SYSTEMS EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:
NSF at 45 CFR 613.6 has exempted from disclosure the identity of references and reviewers in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(5).

NSF-50
SYSTEM NAME:
Principal Investigator/Proposal File and Associated Records.

SYSTEM LOCATION:
Decentralized: There are numerous separate files maintained by individual NSF offices and programs. National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:
Each person that requests, or has previously requested, support from the National Science Foundation, either individually or through an academic or other institution.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:
The name of the principal investigator, the proposal and its identifying number, supporting data from the academic institution or other applicant, proposal evaluations from peer reviewers, a review record, financial data, and other related material. Other related material includes, for example, committee or panel discussion summaries and other agency records containing or reflecting comments on the proposal or the proposers from peer reviewers.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

PURPOSE(S):
This system enables program offices to maintain appropriate files and investigatory material in evaluating applications for grants or other support. NSF employees may access the system to make decisions regarding which proposals to fund, and to carry out other authorized internal duties.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:
1. Disclosure of information from the system may be made to qualified reviewers for their opinion and evaluation of applicants and their proposals as part of the application review process; and to other Federal government agencies needing information regarding applicants or nominees as part of the application review process, or in order to coordinate programs.
2. Information from the system may be provided to the applicant institution for purposes of obtaining data regarding the application review process or award decisions, or administering grant awards.
3.Disclosure may be made to a congressional office from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from the congressional office made at the request of that individual.
4. Information from the system may be disclosed to contractors, grantees, volunteers and other individuals who perform a service or work on or under a contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or other arrangement with or for the Federal government.
5. Information from the system may be given to the Department of Justice or the Office of Management and Budget for the purpose of obtaining advice on the application of the Freedom of Information Act or Privacy Act to the records.
6. Information from the system may be given to another Federal agency, a court, or a party in litigation before a court or in an administrative proceeding being conducted by a Federal agency when the Government is a party to the judicial or administrative proceeding.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:
Various portions of the system are maintained on computer or in hard copy files, depending on the individual program office.

RETRIEVABILITY:
Information can be accessed from the computer database by addressing data contained in the database, including individual names. An individual's name may be used to manually access material in alphabetized hard copy files.

SAFEGUARDS:
All records containing personal information are maintained in secured file cabinets or are accessed by unique passwords and log-on procedures. Only those persons with a need-to-know in order to perform their duties may access the information.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:
Files are maintained in accordance with approved record retention schedules. Awarded proposals are transferred to the Federal Records Center when the Government is a party to a judicial or administrative proceeding.
types and forms of low-level radioactive waste.

The Technical Position on Radioactive Waste Classification was initially developed in 1983 to provide guidance to low-level radioactive waste generators on four specific topics regarding waste classification: (1) Acceptable Material Accountability Programs; (2) Determination and Verification of Radionuclide Concentrations and Correlations; (3) Concentration Volumes and Masses; and (4) Reporting on Manifests. Because of the desirability of attempting to achieve consistent waste classification positions among the Commission and Agreement State regulatory authorities, and because of the impact of waste classification positions on other programs (e.g., the Department of Energy’s program to accept greater-than- Class C waste), a need was identified to expand upon, further define, and replace guidance on the third of the four topics, “Concentration Volumes and Masses.” Copies of the two initial proposed Positions were distributed to licensees, Agreement States, Non-Agreement States, State Liaison Officers, and others who are on the NRC’s Compact Distribution List, and the second proposal was also distributed to those who specifically submitted comments on the initial proposal. In response to the requests for comments on these earlier proposed Positions, thirty three comment letters were received. Consideration of these comments has led to the final Technical Position that is the subject of this notice. The Technical Position defines a subset of concentration averaging and encapsulation practices that the NRC staff would find acceptable in determining the concentrations of the 10 CFR 61.55 tabulated radionuclides in low-level waste. Because all unique waste types or waste packaging methods are not addressed, an “Alternative provisions” paragraph is included in the Technical Position that defines the bases and procedures through which other classification averaging or encapsulation positions may be judged acceptable.

Copies of this final Technical Position, together with an NRC summary of major comments received on the latest proposal and NRC staff responses, are again being distributed (under separate cover) to the aforementioned addresses.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the final Technical Position and the “NRC Staff’s Analysis of and Response to Comments” may be obtained by writing to W.R. Lahs to Mail Stop T7F-27, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.


Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 17th day of January, 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Forms Under Review by Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces forms which have been submitted to OMB’s Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs for Reinstatement:

Grantee Application Forms
SF–424 Application for Federal Assistance
SF–424A Budget Information—Nonconstruction Programs
SF–424B Assurances—Nonconstruction Programs
SF–424C Budget Information—Construction Programs
SF–424D Assurances—Construction Programs
Grantee Financial Reporting Forms
SF–269 Financial Status Report—Long Form
SF–269A Financial Status Report—Short Form
SF–270 Request for Advance or Reimbursement
SF–271 Outlay Report & Request for Reimbursement for Construction Programs
SF–272 & 272A Federal Cash Transactions Report
Lobbying Disclosure Forms
SF–LLL & LLLA Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

The forms include standard application and financial reporting forms currently prescribed by OMB.