

—Space Station Electrical Power System Briefing

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Records Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Records schedules identify records of sufficient value to warrant preservation in the National Archives of the United States. Schedules also authorize agencies after a specified period to dispose of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules that (1) propose the destruction of records not previously authorized for disposal, or (2) reduce the retention period for records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites public comments on such schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303(a).

DATES: Request for copies must be received in writing on or before December 19, 1996. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. The requester will be given 30 days to submit comments.

ADDRESSES: Address requests for single copies of schedules identified in this notice to the Records Appraisal and Disposition Division (NIR), National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, MD 20740. Requesters must cite the control number assigned to each schedule when requesting a copy. The control number appears in the parentheses immediately after the name of the requesting agency.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year U.S. Government agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. In order to control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare records schedules specifying when the agency no longer needs the records and what happens to the records after this period. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. These comprehensive schedules provide for the eventual transfer to the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records, and many are updates of previously approved schedules. Such schedules also may include records that are designated for permanent retention.

Destruction of records requires the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted after a thorough study of the records that takes into account their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private persons directly affected by the Government's activities, and historical or other value.

This public notice identifies the Federal agencies and their subdivisions requesting disposition authority, includes the control number assigned to each schedule, and briefly describes the records proposed for disposal. The records schedule contains additional information about the records and their disposition. Further information about the disposition process will be furnished to each requester.

Schedules Pending

1. Department of Commerce, Patent and Trademark Office (N1-241-96-4). Updated chapter of a comprehensive schedule, including records of the Patent Assignment and Certification Division, and related program offices.

2. Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office (N1-434-96-12). Routine administrative and general facilities records from the Savannah River Site and the Dana Plant.

3. Department of Justice (N1-60-94-9). Litigation case files relating to tax matters arising before the Court of Federal Claims and tax matters involving assessments against the United States.

4. Department of State, All Foreign Service Posts (N1-84-96-4). The Citizen Services System (CSS) maintained by Consular Sections.

5. Department of Treasury, Bureau of Public Debt (N1-53-97-1). Office of Administration records.

6. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (N1-436-96-3). Outputs of the Weapons, Application, and Importation Tracking System (WAITS) and Firearms and Explosives Import System (FEIS). (Master files will be preserved.)

7. Competitiveness Policy Council (N1-220-96-14). Administrative files and records of Subcouncils (exclusive Subcouncil final reports).

8. Federal Housing Finance Board (N1-485-95-1). On-line working data files of the District Banks Information Management System.

9. Panama Canal Commission (N1-185-96-6). Routine informational services and public relations records.

10. Securities and Exchange Commission (N1-266-97-2). One time disposal of computer output microfiche created from data stored in the EDGAR system, which is scheduled for transfer to the National Archives.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

**Submission for OMB Review:
Comment Request**

Title of Proposed Collection: National Science Foundation Proposal Evaluation Process.

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Science Foundation (NSF) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. Such a notice was published at Federal Register 29432, dated June 10, 1996. No public comments were received.

The materials are now being sent to OMB for review. Send any written comments to Desk Officer: OMB No. 3145-0100, OIRA, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. Comments should be received by December 1, 1996.

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use