

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Liselotte J. Schioler, Program Director, Ceramics, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1836.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the Ceramics proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are within exemptions (4) and (6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 5, 1998.

**M. Rebecca Winkler,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Special Emphasis Panel in Mathematical Sciences; 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:

*Name and Committee Code:* Special Emphasis in Mathematical Sciences (1204).

*Date and Time:* January 26-28, 1998; 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

*Place:* Room 1020, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Carlos Berenstein, Program Director, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1870.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the Analysis Program nominations/applications as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Special Emphasis Panel in Physics; 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:

*Name:* Special Emphasis Panel in Physics (1208)

*Date and Time:* January 22-23, 1998

*Place:* Room 1060, NSF 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA

*Type of Meeting:* Closed

*Contact Person:* Dr. David Berley, Program Manager, Laser Interferometer Gravitational Observatory, Division of Physics, Room 1015, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1892

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate a renewal proposal from Caltech entitled "LIGO Advanced Detector R&D Proposal."

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 2, 1998.

**M. Rebecca Winkler,**

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549

Extension:

Rule 17Ad-16, SEC File No. 270-363, OMB Control No. 3235-0413

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) the Securities and Exchange Commission

("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

### Rule 17Ad-16 Notice of Assumption or Termination of Transfer Agent Services

Rule 17Ad-16 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, requires a registered transfer agent to provide written notice to a qualified registered securities depository when assuming or terminating transfer agent services on behalf of an issuer or when changing its name or address. These recordkeeping requirements address the problem of certificate transfer delays caused by transfer requests that are directed to the wrong transfer agent or the wrong address.

Approximately 450 transfer agents submit Rule 17Ad-16 notices, the staff estimates that the average number of hours necessary for each transfer agent to comply with Rule 17Ad-16 is approximately 15 minutes per notice or 3.5 hours per year, totalling 1,575 hours industry-wide. The average cost per hour is approximately \$30 per hour, with the industry-wide cost estimated at approximately \$47,250. However, the information required by Rule 17Ad-16 generally is maintained by registered transfer agents. The amount of time devoted to compliance with Rule 17Ad-16 varies according to differences in business activity.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

Written comments regarding the above information should be directed to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 3208, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; and (ii) Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: December 29, 1997.

**Jonathan G. Katz,**

*Secretary.*

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