

Agenda: To review and evaluate formal proposals submitted to the Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology (CREST) Program 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.

Dated: February 2, 1998.

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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: Special Emphasis Panel in Mathematical Sciences (1204).

Date and Time: February 23-25, 1998; 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Place: Room 310, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Bruce Palka, Program Director, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1879.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate the Real Harmonics 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

Advisory Panel for Physiology and Ethology; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces the following meeting.

Name: Advisory Panel for Physiology and Ethology (#1160).

Date and Time: February 9-10, 1998, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Place: NSF, Room 390, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Part-Open.

Contact Persons: Dr. John A. Phillips and Dr. Eric T. Nilsen, Program Directors, Ecological & Evolutionary Physiology, Dr. Penny Kukuk, Program Director, Animal Behavior, Division of Integrative Biology and Neuroscience, Suite 685, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1421.

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

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Agenda: Open Session: February 10, 1998; 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.—discussion on research trends, opportunities and assessment procedures in Ecological & Evolutionary Physiology and Animal Behavior, with Dr. Mary E. Clutter, Assistant Director, Directorate for Biological Sciences.

Closed Session: February 9, 1998, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. and February 10, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 to 5 p.m. To review and evaluate Ecological & Evolutionary Physiology & Animal Behavior 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 exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Reason for Late Notice: This notice was late due to the delayed scheduling of the open session. Confirmation of the open session was made last week.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-317]

Baltimore Gas and Electric Co.; Notice of Partial Denial of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has partially denied a request by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, (licensee) for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DRP-53 issued to the licensee for operation of the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit No. 1, located in Calvert County, Maryland. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the **Federal Register** on June 18, 1997 (62 FR 33118).

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request involved replacing the service water heat exchangers with new plate and frame heat exchangers (PHES) having increased performance capability. The licensee also requested to operate the plant with one PHE secured, and removing one containment air cooler from service to enable the affected subsystem to remain operable while the one PHE is secured.

The NRC staff has concluded that the portion of the licensee's amendment request pertaining to operating the plant with one PHE secured, and removing one containment air cooler from service to enable the affected subsystems to remain operable while the PHE is serviced cannot be granted, and therefore, denied.

By March 9, 1998, the licensee may demand a hearing with respect to the partial denial described above. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a written petition for leave to intervene.

A request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, by the above date.

A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and to Jay E. Silberg, Esquire, Shaw, Pittman, Potts and Trowbridge, 2300 N Street, NW., Washington, DC. 20037, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated May 16, 1997, as