

energetic studies, providing trophic information.

In addition the applicant proposes to salvage bones and carcasses of dead seals and other cetacean species found on shore for importation to the U.S. These materials will be stored at the Southwest Fisheries Science Center for education and research purposes.

*Location:* Cape Shirreff, Livingston Island (SSSI #32), Byers Peninsula (SSSI #6), South Shetland Island, Antarctic Peninsula.

*Dates:* October 31, 1998 to April 1, 2001.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Officer of Polar Programs.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Earth Sciences Proposal Review Panel; 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:* Earth Sciences Proposal Review Panel (1569).

*Date:* September 16, 17, & 18, 1998.

*Time:* 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day.

*Place:* Rooms 365, 370, 390, 730 and 770, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Alan M. Gaines, Section Head, Division of Earth Sciences, Room 785, National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA, (703) 306-1553.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate earth sciences 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 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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**M. Rebecca Winkler,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Special Emphasis Panel in Materials 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.

*Name:* Special Emphasis Panel in Materials Research (1203).

*Dates & Times:* September 22, 6:00 pm-10:00 pm and September 23-24, 1998 8:30 am-5:00 pm.

*Place:* National High Magnetic Field Laboratory (NHMFL), Tallahassee, FL.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. W. Lance Haworth, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1815.

*Purpose of Meeting:* Annual NSF progress review of the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory.

*Agenda:* Evaluation of progress and plans in the third year of the current five-year award.

*Reason for Closing:* Some of the information presented through the site visit will be of a proprietary or confidential nature, such as financial data, 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 Polar Programs; 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 Polar Programs (1209).

*Date and time:* September 21-23, 1998, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 730, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of meeting:* Closed.

*Contact person:* Dr. Polly A. Penhale, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230 Telephone: (703) 306-1033.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Antarctic Biology and Medicine 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.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Special Emphasis Panel in Polar Programs; 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 Polar Programs (1209).

*Date and time:* September 21-23, 1998, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 380, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Julie Palais, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230 Telephone: (703) 306-1033.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Antarctic Glaciology 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.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-369 and 50-370]

### Duke Energy Corporation; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-9 and NPF-17, issued to Duke Energy Corporation (the licensee), for operation of the McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.