

and other media. To control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare schedules proposing retention periods for records and submit these schedules for NARA approval, using the Standard Form (SF) 115, Request for Records Disposition Authority. These schedules provide for the timely transfer into the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records after the agency no longer needs the records to conduct its business. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records. Many of these update previously approved schedules, and some include records proposed as permanent.

No Federal records are authorized for destruction without the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted only after a thorough consideration of 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 whether or not they have historical or other value.

Besides identifying the Federal agencies and any subdivisions requesting disposition authority, this public notice lists the organizational unit(s) accumulating the records or indicates agency-wide applicability in the case of schedules that cover records that may be accumulated throughout an agency. This notice provides the control number assigned to each schedule, the total number of schedule items, and the number of temporary items (the records proposed for destruction). It also includes a brief description of the temporary records. The records schedule itself contains a full description of the records at the file unit level as well as their disposition. If NARA staff has prepared an appraisal memorandum for the schedule, it too includes information about the records. Further information about the disposition process is available on request.

Schedules Pending

1. Department of Justice, United States Marshals Service, Air Operations Group (N1-527-98-1, 14 items, 14 temporary items). Records relating to the maintenance and operation of USMS-owned aircraft used in the transportation of prisoners and deportable aliens, including aircraft maintenance instructions, correspondence, and log books.

2. Department of State (N1-76-98-1, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Duplicate copies of records of the Mixed Claims Commission, United States and Germany, 1922-1939. Records consist of minutes and awards and decisions.

3. Federal Communications Commission, Mass Media Bureau (N1-173-98-4), 1 item, 1 temporary item). Reduction in retention period for Returned Broadcast Applications, which have previously been approved for disposal. Returned Broadcast Applications are applications that have been reviewed and not accepted for official FCC filing purposes, and are subsequently returned to the sender.

4. National Imagery and Mapping Agency, Agency-wide (N1-537-98-1, 25 items, 25 temporary items). Office administrative files consisting of calendars and schedules, office inspection and survey files, reading files, position descriptions, personnel locators, and classified material accountability forms.

5. Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, Office of the Executive Secretary (N1-455-98-1, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Audiotape recordings (cassettes) of Commission meetings attended by the Commissioners and agency legal staff to discuss particular cases. These recordings are made pursuant to instructions in the 1977 Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b. Minutes of the Commissioner's meetings were previously approved for permanent retention.

6. Tennessee Valley Authority (N1-142-98-6, 3 items, 1 temporary item). Records created in administering four conferences, 1979-1982. Transcripts, models, studies, and papers are proposed for permanent retention.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Design, Manufacture & Industrial Innovation; Notice of Meeting

This notice is being published in accord with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended).

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Design, Manufacture & Industrial Innovation (1194).

Date & Time: September 30, 1998; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA

Type of Meeting: Closed.

SBIR Program Contact Person: Cheryl Albus, Program Manager, DMII, Room 590, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1390.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate proposals submitted to the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program (topic: 7; area: Earth Science) 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: August 27, 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: Special Emphasis in Mathematical Sciences (1204).

Date and Time: September 24-26, 1998; 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Place: Room 1060, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Alvin I. Thaler, Program Director, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone (703) 306-1880.

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.