

*Name:* Special Emphasis Panel in Civil and Mechanical Systems (1205).

*Date and Time:* October 27, 1999, 8 am to 5 pm.

*Place:* NSF, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 330, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Jorn Larsen-Basse, Program Director, Control, Materials and Mechanics Cluster, Division of Civil and Mechanical Systems, Room 545, (703) 306-1361.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate nominations for the FY'00 Control, Materials and Mechanics Career Panel 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

### 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 and Time:* November 8-10, 1999; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 330, Arlington, VA 22230, Room 330.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Leonard E. Johnson, Program Director, Continental Dynamics Program, Division of Earth Sciences, Room 785, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA (703) 306-1559.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Continental Dynamics 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

### NSF 50th Anniversary Public Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

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

*Name:* NSF 50th Anniversary Public Advisory Committee (5213).

*Date/Time:* October 28, 1999; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, Room 1235, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Julia A. Moore, Director, Office of Legislative and Public Affairs, Room 1245, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. (703) 306-1070.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations regarding NSF's 50th Anniversary Celebration.

*Agenda:* Review of programs and initiatives; finalizing of planning for year 2000 events and beyond.

*Summary Minutes:* May be obtained from the contact person listed above or from William Line, same address, same phone number.

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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:* November 9, 1999; 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, Room 1015.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Boris Kayser, Program Director for Theoretical Physics, Division of Physics, telephone (703) 306-1890.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the Theoretical Physics Program at NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate 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; information on personnel and proprietary data for present and future subcontracts. 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 No. STN 50-528]

### Arizona Public Service Company; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-41 issued to Arizona Public Service Company for operation of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Unit 1 located in Maricopa County, Arizona.

The proposed amendment would revise Technical Specification (TS) Section 3.8.4, "DC Sources—Operating," to waive, on a one-time basis, the requirement to perform Surveillance Requirement (SR) 3.8.4.8 for Unit 1 channels A, B, and C.

Battery replacement in Unit 1 was scheduled to be completed during the current refueling outage (1R08, Fall 1999). Because of problems experienced by the vendor of the low specific gravity rectangular cell batteries, four acceptable batteries are not available and the planned battery replacement will not be completed as planned. Unit 1 will, therefore, need to operate for one more cycle with the high specific gravity round cell batteries.

Because the high specific gravity round cell batteries will remain in Unit 1 for an additional cycle, the licensee is required to perform a performance discharge test or a modified performance discharge test in accordance with TS SR 3.8.4.8. SR 3.8.4.8 requires that a performance discharge test be performed to verify battery capacity on a 60-month frequency. The specified frequency for this SR, including the additional time allowed by SR 3.0.2 (1.25 times the interval specified in the frequency), for