

Foundation announces the following meeting:

*Name:* Advisory Committee for Mathematical and Physical Sciences (66).  
*Date and Time:* April 13, 2000—8:20 AM—5:00 PM; April 14, 2000—8:30 AM—2:00 PM.  
*Place:* 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Adriaan de Graaf, Executive Officer, MPS, Room 1005, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1800.

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

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations on the development of MPS education themes; provide advice on building the MPS intellectual core; advise on methods of achieving overall program excellence in MPS; opportunities for collaboration with the Education and Human Resources (EHR) Directorate, and evaluate the Division of Physics Committee of Visitors' Report.

*Agenda:*

April 13, 2000

AM—

Introductory Remarks  
Review and Approval of Division of Physics Committee of Visitors' Report  
MPS Education Themes

PM—

MPS Education Themes  
Opportunities for Collaboration with EHR

April 14, 2000

AM—

Building the Intellectual Core of MPS

PM—

Meeting Wrap-up/Future Business

Dated: March 10, 2000.

**Karen J. York,**

*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/Time:* May 11-12, 2000; 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

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

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Alvin I Thaler, Program Director, Infrastructure Program, Room 1025, 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 proposals concerning Scientific Computing Research Environments for the Mathematical Sciences 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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**Karen J. York,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Advisory Panel for Social and Political Science; Notice of Meetings

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meetings of the Advisory Panel for Social and Political Science (#1761), Committee of Visitors;

*Date/Time:* April 2, 3, and 4, 2000; 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Rooms 130, 340, 365, 920, and 970, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Frank Scioli and Dr. Marianne Stewart, Program Directors for Political Science, National Science Foundation. (703) 306-1761.

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

*Date/Time:* April 2, 3, and 4, 2000; 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Rooms 130, 340, 365, 920, and 970, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Contact Person:* D. Marie Provine, Program Director, Law and Social Science, National Science Foundation. (703) 306-1762.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the Law and Social Science Proposals as a part of the selection process for awards.

*Date/Time:* April 2, 3, and 4, 2000; 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Rooms 130, 340, 365, 920, and 970, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Contact Person:* Patricia White and Murray Webster, National Science Foundation. (703) 306-1756.

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

*Type of Meetings:* Closed.

*Purpose of Meetings:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning support for

research proposals submitted to the NSF for financial support.

*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: March 10, 2000.

**Karen J. York,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on April 4, 2000, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

*Tuesday, April 4, 2000—1:30 P.M. Until the Conclusion of Business*

The Subcommittee will discuss proposed ACRS activities and related matters. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff person named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, the scheduling of sessions open to the public, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff person, Dr. John T. Larkins (telephone: 301/415-7360) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EST). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any changes in schedule, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

**Howard J. Larson,**

*Acting Associate Director for Technical Support, ACRS/ACNW.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act Meeting**

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**DATE:** Weeks of March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, and 17, 2000.

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

*Week of March 13*

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of March 13.

*Week of March 20—Tentative*

Wednesday, March 22

9:25 a.m. Affirmative Session (Public Meeting) (if needed).

Friday, March 24

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Evaluation of the Requirement for Licensee to Update Their Inservice Inspection and Inservice Testing Program Every 120 Months (Public Meeting) (Contact: Tom Scarbrough, 301-415-2794).

*Week of March 27—Tentative*

Thursday, March 30

8:55 a.m. Affirmation/Discussion and Vote (Public Meeting) (If needed).

9:00 a.m. Briefing on EEO Program (Public Meeting) (Contact: Irene Little, 301-415-7380).

Friday, March 31

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Risk-Informed Regulation Implementation Plan (Public Meeting) (Contact: Tom King, 301-415-5790).

*Week of April 3—Tentative*

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 3.

*Week of April 10—Tentative*

There are not meetings scheduled for the Week of April 10.

*Week of April 17—Tentative*

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 17.

\*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Bill Hill (301) 415-1661.

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** By a vote of 5-0 on March 8, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552(b)(e) and § 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that "Discussion of the Intragovernmental Issues" (Closed-Ex. 9) be held on March 8, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/SECY/smj/schedule.htm>

This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to it, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Attn: Operations Branch, Washington, D.C. 20555 (301-415-1661). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to [wmh@nrc.gov](mailto:wmh@nrc.gov) or [dkw@nrc.gov](mailto:dkw@nrc.gov).

Dated: March 10, 2000.

**William M. Hill, Jr.,**

*SECY Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.*

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**PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION**

**Interest Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

**SUMMARY:** This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These

rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or are derivable from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's web site (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).

**DATES:** The interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in March 2000. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in April 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024. (For TTY/TDD users, call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Variable-Rate Premiums**

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. The rate is the "applicable percentage" (currently 85 percent) of the annual yield on 30-year Treasury securities for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid (the "premium payment year"). The yield figure is reported in Federal Reserve Statistical Releases G.13 and H.15.

The assumed interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in March 2000 is 5.30 percent (*i.e.*, 85 percent of the 6.23 percent yield figure for February 2000).

The following table lists the assumed interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between April 1999 and March 2000.

For premium payment years beginning in	The assumed interest rate is
April 1999 .....	4.74
May 1999 .....	4.72
June 1999 .....	4.94
July 1999 .....	5.13
August 1999 .....	5.08
September 1999 .....	5.16
October 1999 .....	5.16
November 1999 .....	5.32
December 1999 .....	5.23
January 2000 .....	5.40
February 2000 .....	5.64