

take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to federally assisted programs and activities for LEP persons, the Endowment will look favorably on intermediate steps recipients take that are consistent with this Guidance, and that, as part of a broader implementation plan or schedule, move their service delivery system toward providing full access to LEP persons. This does not excuse noncompliance but instead recognizes that full compliance in all areas of a recipient's activities and for all potential language minority groups may reasonably require a series of implementing actions over a period of time. However, in developing any phased implementation schedule, recipients should ensure that the provision of appropriate assistance for significant LEP populations or with respect to activities having a significant impact on the health, safety, legal rights, or livelihood of beneficiaries is addressed first. Recipients are encouraged to document their efforts to provide LEP persons with meaningful access to federally assisted programs and activities.

In cases where a recipient of federal financial assistance from the Endowment also receives assistance from one or more other federal agencies, there is no obligation to conduct and document separate but identical analyses and language assistance plans. The Endowment, in discharging its compliance and enforcement obligations under Title VI, will look to analyses performed and plans developed in response to similar detailed LEP guidance issued by other federal agencies. Accordingly, as an adjunct to this Guidance, recipients may, where appropriate, also rely on guidance issued by other agencies in discharging their Title VI LEP obligations.

In determining a recipient entity's compliance with Title VI, the Endowment's primary concern is to ensure that the entity's policies and procedures overcome barriers resulting from language differences that would deny LEP persons a meaningful opportunity to participate in and access programs, services, and benefits. A recipient entity's appropriate use of the methods and options discussed in this policy guidance is viewed by the Endowment as evidence of that entity's willingness to comply voluntarily with its Title VI obligations.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation (NSF) is inviting the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this proposed information collection.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by August 30, 2004, to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Bijan Gilanshah, Assistant General Counsel, through surface mail (National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1265, Arlington, Virginia 22230); e-mail ([bgilansh@nsf.gov](mailto:bgilansh@nsf.gov)) or fax (703-292-9041).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Call or write, Bijan Gilanshah, Assistant General Counsel, at the National Science Foundation, 4201 Boulevard, Room 1265, Arlington, Virginia 22230; call (703) 292-8060, or send e-mail to [bgilansh@nsf.gov](mailto:bgilansh@nsf.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title of Collection:* Antarctic emergency response plan and environmental protection information.

*OMB Approval Number:* 3145-0180.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* August 31, 2004.

*Abstract:* The NSF, pursuant to the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2401 *et seq.*) ("ACA") regulates certain non-governmental activities in Antarctica. The ACA was amended in 1996 by the Antarctic Science, Tourism, and Conservation Act. On September 7, 2001, NSF published a final rule in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 46739) implementing certain of these statutory amendments. The rule requires non-governmental Antarctic expeditions using non-U.S. flagged vessels to ensure that the vessel owner has an emergency response plan. The rule also requires persons organizing a non-governmental expedition to provide expedition members with information on their environmental protection obligations under the Antarctic Conservation Act.

*Expected Respondents:* Respondents may include non-profit organizations and small and large businesses. The

majority of respondents are anticipated to be U.S. tour operators, currently estimated to number twelve.

*Burden on the Public.* The Foundation estimates that a one-time paperwork and recordkeeping burden of 40 hours or less, at a cost of \$500 to \$1400 per respondent, will result from the emergency response plan requirement contained in the rule. Presently, all respondents have been providing expedition members with a copy of the Guidance for Visitors to the Antarctic (prepared and adopted at the Eighteenth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meetings as Recommendation XVIII-1). Because this Antarctic Treaty System document satisfies the environmental protection information requirements of the rule, no additional burden shall result from the environmental information requirements in the rule.

Dated: June 25, 2004.

**Lawrence Rudolph,**

*General Counsel, National Science Foundation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 03005980 and 03005982]

### Notice of License Renewal Application for Safety Light Corporation, Bloomsburg, PA and Opportunity to Request a Hearing

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of license renewal applications request and opportunity to request a hearing.

**DATES:** A request for a hearing must be filed by August 30, 2004.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert Prince, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406; telephone (610) 337-5376 or e-mail [rjp4@nrc.gov](mailto:rjp4@nrc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Introduction

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received, by letter dated April 22, 2004, a request to renew NRC License Nos. 37-00030-02 and 37-00030-08 for the Safety Light Corporation (Safety Light or the licensee), Bloomsburg, PA. License Nos. 37-00030-02 and 37-00030-08 authorize Safety Light to manufacture devices containing tritium at a facility