

March 30, 2005; 7:45 a.m.–3:15 p.m.*Concurrent Sessions*

7:45 a.m.–8:30 a.m. Executive Closed
 8:30 a.m.–10 a.m. Open
 10 a.m.–12 noon Open
 12:30 p.m.–1 p.m. Executive Closed
 1:00 p.m.–1:15 p.m. Closed
 1:15 p.m.–3:15 p.m. Open

PLACE: National Science Foundation,
 4201 Wilson Blvd, Room 1235,
 Arlington, VA 22230.

PUBLIC MEETING ATTENDANCE: All visitors must report to the NSF's visitor's desk at the 9th and N. Stuart Streets entrance to receive a visitor's badge.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Please refer to the National Science Board Web site (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb>) for updated schedule. NSB Office: (703) 292-7000.

STATUS: Part of this meeting will be closed to the public, Part of this meeting will be open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**Tuesday, March 29, 2005***Open*

Committee on Programs & Plans
 Subcommittee on Polar Issues (8 a.m.–9 a.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- International Polar Year
- Antarctic Season Logistics Highlights
- Arctic Education and Outreach
- IceCube Report

Task Force on Transformative Research [TR] (9:15 a.m.–10 a.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- Background Presentations
 - “Chemical Bonding Centers: A Program to Support Transformative Research in the Chemical Sciences”
 - “Information Visualization Tools”
- General discussion on implementing TR actions to address charter objectives
- Summary of TR milestone and timeline

Committee on Audit & Oversight (10 a.m.–11:30 a.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- NSB Chairman's Remarks
- Update on Plan to address Reportable Conditions of FY2004 Audit
 - Post-award Administration
 - Contract Monitoring
- Congressional request for NSB examination of the NSF Merit Review System
- FY 2004 Merit Review Report
- Business Analysis update [items related to Merit Review]
- Chief Financial Officer's Update
 - FY 2004 audit—Management letter status report

- OMB Circular A-123 “Managements” Responsibility for Internal Control

- Sarbanes-Oxley Act and implications for the NSF
- Process of selecting financial statement auditors

Committee on Strategy & Budget (1 p.m.–2 p.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- Summary of Congressional budget testimony for President's FY 2006 NSF budget request to Congress
- Overview of FY 2007 budget process, with emphasis on NSB action items and time

Committee on Programs & Plans (2 p.m.–3:30 p.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- Status Reports
 - Long-lived Data Collections
 - Transformative Research Task Force
 - Subcommittee on Polar Issues
- Discussion on Major Research Facilities
 - Public Comments on joint NSB/NSF Response on priority setting for large facilities
 - Review of draft Facilities Plan
 - NSF Annual Major Facilities Plan Review

Executive Committee (5 p.m.–5:15 p.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- Updates or new business from Committee Members

Closed

Committee on Programs & Plans
 Subcommittee on Polar Issues (7:30 a.m.–8 a.m.) Room 1235

- Antarctic icebreaker—future budget issues

Committee on Audit & Oversight (11:30 a.m.–12 noon) Room 1235

- Pending Investigations

Committee on Programs & Plans (3:30 p.m.–5 p.m.) Room 1235

- Action Items
- Information Item

Executive Committee (5:15 p.m.–5:30 p.m.) Room 1235

- Board Member Proposal
- Director's Items: Specific Personnel Matters and Future Budgets

Wednesday, March 30, 2005*Open*

Education & Human Resources
 Subcommittee on S&E Indicators (8:30 a.m.–10 a.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- Discussion of Elementary and Secondary Education Chapter
- Discussion of State Indicators Chapter
- Discussion of possible topics for

Board Companion Piece

- Important dates for Board Companion Piece

Committee on Education & Human Resources (10 a.m.–12 noon) Room 1235

- Approval of Minutes
- AAAS Presentation: “Diversifying STEM: Policy and Practice Derived from Standing Our Ground”
- Reports and staff presentations
 - Subcommittee on S&E Indicators
 - NSB items
 - NSF EHR activity update
 - Integration of Research and Education
- Discussion items
 - Proposal for a workshop on Engineering Education
 - Update on Industry Panel

Executive Closed

Ad hoc committee for the 2005 Vannevar Bush Award (7:45 a.m.–8:30 a.m.) Room 1235

- Review and discussion of candidates
- Balloting

Plenary Session of the Board (12:30 p.m.–3:15 p.m.)

Executive Closed Plenary Session of the Board (12:30 p.m.–1 p.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Executive Closed Minutes
- Board Member Proposal
- Approval of Honorary Awards
 - Alan T. Waterman Award
 - Vannevar Bush Award
 - NSB Public Service Award

Closed Plenary Session of the Board (1–1:15 p.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Closed Session Minutes
- Awards and Agreements (Resolutions)
- Closed Committee Reports

Open Plenary Session of the Board (1:15p.m.–3:15 p.m.) Room 1235

- Approval of Open Session Minutes
- Resolution to Close May 2005 Meeting
- NSB Chairman's Report
- NSF Director's Report
- Committee Reports

Michael P. Crosby,

Executive Officer, NSB.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to OMB and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a submittal to OMB for review of continued approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. *The title of the information collection:* Extension.

2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0026.

3. *How often the collection is required:* On occasion.

4. *Who is required or asked to report:* NRC employees, contractors, licensees, and applicants who marry after completing NRC's Personnel Security forms, or marry after having been granted an NRC access authorization or employment clearance.

5. *The number of annual respondents:* 60.

6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* Total Burden 12 hours (.20 hour per response).

7. *Abstract:* Completion of the NRC Form 354 is a mandatory requirement for NRC employees, contractors, licensees, and applicants who marry after submission of the Personnel Security Forms, or after receiving an access authorization or employment clearance to permit the NRC to assure there is no increased risk to the common defense and security.

Submit, by May 17, 2005, comments that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?

2. Is the burden estimate accurate?

3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F21, Rockville, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC Worldwide Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/index.html>. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at 301-415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail to infocollects@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of March 2005.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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1. *The title of the information collection:* NRC Form 241, "Report of Proposed Activities in Non-Agreement States, Areas of Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction, or Offshore Waters."

2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0013.

3. *How often the collection is required:* NRC Form 241 must be submitted each time an Agreement State licensee wants to engage in or revise its activities involving the use of radioactive byproduct material in a non-Agreement State, areas of exclusive Federal jurisdiction, or offshore waters. The NRC may waive the requirements for filing additional copies of NRC Form 241 during the remainder of the calendar year following receipt of the initial form from a licensee engaging in activities under the general license.

4. *Who is required or asked to report:* Any licensees who holds a specific license from an Agreement State and wants to conduct the same activity in non-Agreement States, areas of exclusive Federal jurisdiction, or

offshore waters under the general license in 10 CFR 150.20.

5. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 167 respondents.

6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 1,033 hours (6.18 hours per response).

7. *Abstract:* Under the reciprocity provisions of 10 CFR part 150, any Agreement State licensee who engages in activities (use of radioactive material) in non-Agreement States, areas of exclusive Federal jurisdiction, or offshore waters, under the general license in section 150.20, is required to file four copies of NRC Form 241, "Report of Proposed Activities in Non-Agreement States, Areas of Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction, or Offshore Waters," and four copies of its Agreement State license at least 3 days before engaging in such activity. This mandatory notification permits NRC to schedule inspections of the activities to determine whether the activities are being conducted in accordance with requirements for protection of the public health and safety.

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