

NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0315—Frame With Handle and Dustmop Head.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0316—Frame With Handle and Dustmop Head.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0317—Frame With Handle and Dustmop Head.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0318—Frame With Handle and Dustmop Head.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0307—Frame With Handle and Dustmop Head.

*NPA:* New York City Industries for the Blind, Inc., Brooklyn, New York.

*Contracting Activity:* Veterans Affairs National Acquisition Center, Hines, Illinois.

*PRODUCT/NSNs:* Mop, Dusting, Cotton.,  
 NSN: 7920-00-205-0484—Mop, Dusting, Cotton.

NSN: 7920-00-205-0483—Mop, Dusting, Cotton.

NSN: 7920-00-205-0481—Mop, Dusting, Cotton.

*NPA:* New York City Industries for the Blind, Inc., Brooklyn, New York.

*Contracting Activity:* GSA, Southwest Supply Center, Fort Worth, Texas.

*PRODUCT/NSNs:* Mophead, Dust.,  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0159—Mophead, Dust.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0158—Mophead, Dust.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0157—Mophead, Dust.  
 NSN: 7920-00-NIB-0156—Mophead, Dust.

*NPA:* New York City Industries for the Blind, Inc., Brooklyn, New York.

*Contracting Activity:* Veterans Affairs National Acquisition Center, Hines, Illinois.

*PRODUCT/NSNs:* Mophead, Dusting, Cotton.  
 NSN: 7920-00-205-0485—Mophead, Dusting, Cotton.

NSN: 7920-00-205-0488—Mophead, Dusting, Cotton.

NSN: 7920-00-205-0487—Mophead, Dusting, Cotton.

*NPA:* New York City Industries for the Blind, Inc., Brooklyn, New York.

*Contracting Activity:* GSA, Southwest Supply Center, Fort Worth, Texas.

**Sheryl D. Kennerly,**

*Director, Information Management.*

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## BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### Sunshine Act Notice

**DATE AND TIME:** Wednesday, February 22, 2006, 1:30 p.m.—4 p.m.

**PLACE:** Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20237.

**CLOSED MEETING:** The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded non-military international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues

relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(2) and (6)).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Carol Booker at (202) 203-4545.

Dated: February 14, 2006.

**Carol Booker,**

*Legal Counsel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Tuesday, March 7, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and Wednesday, March 8, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology is composed of fifteen members appointed by the Director of NIST who are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, labor, education, management consulting, environment, and international relations.

The purpose of this meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for the Institute, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include an update on NIST's activities; an overview of the

strategic planning process in the Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory (MEL), the Building and Fire Research Laboratory (BFRL), and the Chemical Science and Technology Laboratory (CSTL); an overview of NIST's health information technology activities; ethics training for VCAT members; a summary of the National Research Council's FY 04-05 assessment of NIST laboratories; and selected laboratory tours. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST Web site.

**DATES:** The meeting will convene on March 7 at 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn on March 8, 2006, at 11:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Employees Lounge, Administration Building, at NIST, Gaithersburg, Maryland. All visitors to the NIST site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and phone number to Carolyn Peters no later than Thursday, March 2, and she will provide you with instructions for admittance. Mrs. Peter's e-mail address is [carolyn.peters@nist.gov](mailto:carolyn.peters@nist.gov) and her phone number is (301) 975-5607.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carolyn Peters, Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1000, telephone number (301) 975-5607.

Dated: February 14, 2006.

**William Jeffrey,**

*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 030602141-6030-34]

#### Availability of Grants Funds for Fiscal Year 2006; Regional Research, Information Planning and Coordination

**AGENCY:** National Sea Grant College Program (Sea Grant), Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; reopening of application period.

**SUMMARY:** The NOAA National Sea Grant College Program publishes this notice to re-open the submission period for the Regional Research, Information Planning and Coordination Competitive funding announcement originally

published in the **Federal Register** on December 23, 2005. The new submission deadline is 5 p.m. e.s.t. on March 1, 2006. The NOAA National Sea Grant College Program publishes this notice to also change the definition of the insular Pacific region in the Federal Funding Opportunity associated with the FRN that was published on December 23, 2005. For the purpose of developing a regional research and information plan, the insular Pacific region is defined as being “comprised of the marine and coastal waters off the State of Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Freely Associated States.”

**DATES:** The new deadline for applications is 5 p.m. EST on March 1, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted through Grants.gov APPLY (<http://www.grants.gov>). Applicants for whom online application is an undue hardship may submit hard copies (an original and two copies) to: National Sea Grant College Program, R/SG, Attn: Regional Competition, Rm 11732, NOAA, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. The full text of the funding opportunity announcement for this competition can be accessed via Grants.gov FIND Web site: <http://www.grants.gov>. This announcement will also be available at the NOAA Web site: <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/%7Eeamd/SOLINDEX.HTML>

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Leon M. Cammen, OAR, National Sea Grant Office, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or by phone at 301-713-2435 ext. 136, or via e-mail at [leon.cammen@noaa.gov](mailto:leon.cammen@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 23, 2005, the NOAA National Sea Grant College Program (Sea Grant) published a notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting applications for Regional Research, Information Planning and Coordination (70 FR 76258). That announcement solicited proposals for the development of regional research and information plans for U.S. coastal, ocean, and Great Lakes areas. The objective is to use Sea Grant's university capabilities to facilitate discussions among the broad range of regional ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes stakeholders to help identify and prioritize critical resource management problems and associated research and information needs necessary for practical solutions.

Sea Grant publishes this notice to re-open the period for submission of proposals until 5 p.m. e.s.t. on March 1, 2006. Any applications received

between February 9, 2006 and March 1, 2006 will be considered timely and will be given full consideration. In addition, for the purpose of developing a regional research and information plan, Sea Grant changes the definition for the insular Pacific region. This area is defined as being “comprised of the marine and coastal waters off the State of Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Freely Associated States.” These actions have been taken in order to provide more time to applicants since putting together regional teams and a planning process that will result in consensus is a complex and difficult task, and in order to be consistent with the National Sea Grant College Program Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-299).

#### Classification

##### *Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements*

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389), are applicable to this solicitation.

#### Executive Order 12866

It has been determined that this notice is not significant under EO 12866.

#### Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Dated: February 13, 2006.

#### Mark E. Brown,

*Chief Financial Officer, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### NOAA Annual Strategic Priorities

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, (NOAA) is seeking input on priorities for its next five-year planning cycle. Annually, NOAA collects views on emerging programmatic and managerial trends and alternative solutions as we seek to achieve NOAA's strategic goals. Stakeholder views and comments will be summarized and used by NOAA Leadership in the development of its priorities for planning years 2009-2013. NOAA encourages stakeholders and users to review its present priorities and provide comments and recommendations that reflect your vision of the future, as it relates to NOAA's mission. You can find NOAA's current strategic priorities at the Web site noted in the **ADDRESSES** section, below.

**DATES:** Public comments on NOAA's priorities for planning years 2009-2013 must be received at the appropriate mailing or e-mail address (see **ADDRESSES**, below) on or before 8 p.m. Eastern time, March 9, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Dr. Paul Doremus, Director of Strategic Planning, NOAA Office of Program Planning and Integration, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Room 15755-PPI, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments may be submitted via the Office of Program Planning and Integration website at <http://ppi.noaa.gov/> or e-mail to [strategic.planning@noaa.gov](mailto:strategic.planning@noaa.gov). You can find NOAA's current strategic priorities at [http://www.ppi.noaa.gov/AGM\\_FY08.pdf](http://www.ppi.noaa.gov/AGM_FY08.pdf).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Neil Christerson, phone: 301-713-1622, Extension 192, fax: 301-713-0585.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

Dated: February 13, 2006.

#### Mary M. Glackin,

*NOAA Assistant Administrator for Program Planning and Integration.*

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