

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Advisory Committee for Education and Human Resources; Notice of Meeting**

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

*Name:* Advisory Committee for Education and Human Resources (#1119).

*Date/Time:*

May 9, 2012; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

May 10, 2012; 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

*Place:* NSF Headquarters, Room 375, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* YeVonda McIlwaine, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230 (703) 292-8600, [ymcilwai@nsf.gov](mailto:ymcilwai@nsf.gov).

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice with respect to the Foundation's science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and human resources programming.

**Agenda**

*May 9, 2012*

Morning Refreshments/Introductions, 2013 Budget and Planning, EHR's R&D Core Launch, E2 Joint Committee with MPS, Moving Forward—New Direction, Committee Business with Director and Deputy Director, Reception

*May 10, 2012*

STEM Education: A Matter of Priority, Program Review, Discussion with Director.

Dated: April 17, 2012.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Business and Operations 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:* Business and Operations Advisory Committee (9556).

*Dates:* Date/Time:

May 8, 2012; 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. (EST),

May 9, 2012; 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (EST).

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford I, Room 1235.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Joan Miller, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, (703) 292-8200.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice concerning issues related to the oversight, integrity, development and enhancement of NSF's business operations.

**Agenda**

*May 8, 2012*

Welcome/Introductions; BFA/OIRM Overview; Challenges to Reduce Costs and Identify Efficiencies—Introduction, Panel/Discussion; Change Management/Effect on Employee Morale.

*May 9, 2012*

Business System Review Subcommittee; Recompensation of Major Research Facilities Subcommittee; Update on Sub Committees; Prepare for Meeting with NSF Deputy Director; Discussion with Deputy Director; Closing Discussion.

Date: April 17, 2012.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978**

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by May 21, 2012. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Polly A. Penhale at the above address or (703) 292-7420.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and

certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

**Permit Application: 2013-002**

1. *Applicant:* Paul Morin, Department of Geology and Geophysics, University of Minnesota, 310 Pillsbury Drive SE., Minneapolis, MN 55455.

**Activity for Which Permit Is Requested**

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPA's), The applicant plans to enter ASPA 116—New College Valley, Cape Bird; ASPA 121—Cape Royds; ASPA 124—Cape Crozier; and, ASPA 155—Cape Evans to collect ground control points with highly precise GPS equipment. Their activity will include hiking within each area to readily-identify boulders, peaks, etc., gathering precise GPS coordinates of that location, and taking notes and pictures of the surrounding area. Other activities would include delineating boundaries of penguin colonies, ASPAs, and important environmental features. The data collected will be used to create updated and accurate maps of areas of important scientific and environmental importance within the Ross Sea region. The collected imagery will be used for further scientific analysis.

**Location**

ASPA 116—New College Valley, Cape Bird; ASPA 121—Cape Royds; ASPA 124—Cape Crozier; and, ASPA 155—Cape Evans.

**Dates**

October 10, 2012 to January 31, 2013.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, and 50-287; NRC-2012-0093]**

**Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the licensee) to withdraw its November 15, 2010, application for proposed amendment to