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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Meetings**

1. *Date:* October 03, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415

This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of the History of Science, Technology and Medicine for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

2. *Date:* October 07, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 315

This meeting will discuss applications for the Bridging Cultures at Community Colleges grant program, submitted to the Division of Education Programs.

3. *Date:* October 08, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 315

This meeting will discuss applications for the Bridging Cultures at Community Colleges grant program, submitted to the Division of Education Programs.

4. *Date:* October 08, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of World Studies for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

5. *Date:* October 10, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415

This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of New World Archaeology and Culture for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

6. *Date:* October 17, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415

This meeting will discuss applications on the subjects of U.S. History and Culture for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

7. *Date:* October 17, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of American Studies for America's Media Makers: Production Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

8. *Date:* October 21, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of U.S. History for America's Historical & Cultural Organizations: Implementation Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

9. *Date:* October 22, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of U.S. History for America's Media Makers: Production Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

10. *Date:* October 22, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of Literature for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

11. *Date:* October 24, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of Art History for America's Historical & Cultural Organizations: Implementation Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

12. *Date:* October 28, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421

This meeting will discuss applications on International subjects for America's Media Makers: Production Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

13. *Date:* October 29, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421.

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of U.S. History for America's Media Makers: Production Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

14. *Date:* October 29, 2013  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415.

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of World Studies for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

15. *Date:* October 30, 2013.  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 415.

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of Art History for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources grant program, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access.

16. *Date:* October 30, 2013.  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 315.

This meeting will discuss applications for Fellowship Programs at Independent Research Institutions, submitted to the Division of Research Programs.

17. *Date:* October 31, 2013.  
*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
*Room:* 421.

This meeting will discuss applications on the subject of Historic Sites for America's Historical & Cultural Organizations: Implementation Grants, submitted to the Division of Public Programs.

Because these meetings will include review of personal and/or proprietary financial and commercial information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants, the meetings will be closed to the public pursuant to sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6) of Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. I have made this determination pursuant to the authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee Meetings dated July 19, 1993.

Dated: September 10, 2013.

**Lisette Voyatzis,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register** at 78 FR 40517, and one comment was received. NSF is forwarding the proposed submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously

with the publication of this second notice. The full submission (including comments) may be found at: <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

**Comments:** Comments regarding (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for National Science Foundation, 725 17th Street NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, and to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1265, Arlington, Virginia 22230 or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

**DATES:** Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling 703-292-7556.

NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Comments:** As required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), comments on the information collection activities as part of this study were solicited through publication of a 60-Day Notice in the **Federal Register** on July 5, 2013, at 78 FR 40517. We received one comment, to which we here respond.

**Commenter:** The Center for Equal Opportunity provided the following comment:

We are not sure to what extent (or why) race and ethnicity will play a role in this program, but the references to "minority-serving" institutions, "diversity," and "underrepresented" groups prompt us to ask that it play as little a role as possible under whatever statutes are applicable. As you know, it is generally illegal for the government to show favoritism or even use classifications based on race or ethnicity. See *Adarand Constructors, Inc. v. Peña*, 515 U.S. 200, 227 (1995) ("all racial classifications . . . must be analyzed by a reviewing court under strict scrutiny"). See also Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 2000d (prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin in federally funded programs). Indeed, such classifications and favoritism are "presumptively invalid" (see *Personnel Administrator v. Feeney*, 442 U.S. 256 (1979)).

**Response:** NSF has standing authority to support activities to improve the participation of women and minorities in science and engineering under the Science and Engineering Equal Opportunities Act (Pub. L. 96-516), and authority to collect data on those issues.

The MRSEC program treats those issues in a Centers appropriate manner. The MRSEC program originates from the transfer of the Interdisciplinary Laboratories (IDLs) created by the Advanced Research Projects Agency in the 1960s. These were transferred to NSF in 1972, and with modifications, evolved into the current MRSEC program, which began in 1994. Under the requirement of all NSF proposals to address "Broader impacts" and authority of Public Law 96-516, information on diversity in the program, after the award has been made, has been collected since the inception of the program. As noted in a 2007 National Academies study, "NSF does not require that specific activities or audiences be targeted by the MRSEC, with the exception of the Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program, and a general dictum to broaden participation by underrepresented groups in the STEM field."

This data collection described in the **Federal Register** notice is within the scope of NSF's authorization on such collection, and is only about collecting data on activities that exist after an award is made, so there is no favoritism as suggested by the comment.

After consideration of this comment, we are moving forward with our submission to OMB.

**Title of Collection:** Grantee Reporting Requirements for Materials Research

Science and Engineering Centers (MRSECs).

**OMB Number:** 3145-NEW.

**Type of Request:** Intent to seek approval to establish an information collection.

**Overview of this Information**

**Collection:** The Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers (MRSECs) Program supports innovation in interdisciplinary research, education, and knowledge transfer. MRSECs build intellectual and physical infrastructure within and between disciplines, weaving together knowledge creation, knowledge integration, and knowledge transfer. MRSECs conduct world-class research through partnerships of academic institutions, national laboratories, industrial organizations, and/or other public/private entities. New knowledge thus created is meaningfully linked to society.

MRSECs enable and foster excellent education, integrate research and education, and create bonds between learning and inquiry so that discovery and creativity more fully support the learning process. MRSECs capitalize on diversity through participation in center activities and demonstrate leadership in the involvement of groups underrepresented in science and engineering.

MRSECs will be required to submit annual reports on progress and plans, which will be used as a basis for performance review and determining the level of continued funding. To support this review and the management of a Center, MRSECs will be required to develop a set of management and performance indicators for submission annually to NSF via the Research Performance Project Reporting module in Research.gov and an external technical assistance contractor that collects programmatic data electronically. These indicators are both quantitative and descriptive and may include, for example, the characteristics of center personnel and students; sources of financial support and in-kind support; expenditures by operational component; characteristics of industrial and/or other sector participation; research activities; education activities; knowledge transfer activities; patents, licenses; publications; degrees granted to students involved in Center activities; descriptions of significant advances and other outcomes of the MRSEC effort. Such reporting requirements will be included in the cooperative agreement that is binding between the academic institution and the NSF.

Each Center's annual report will address the following categories of

activities: (1) Research, (2) education, (3) knowledge transfer, (4) partnerships, (5) shared experimental facilities, (6) diversity, (7) management, and (8) budget issues.

For each of the categories the report will describe overall objectives for the year, problems the Center has encountered in making progress towards goals, anticipated problems in the following year, and specific outputs and outcomes.

MRSECs are required to file a final report through the RPPR and external technical assistance contractor. Final reports contain similar information and metrics as annual reports, but are retrospective.

*Use of the Information:* NSF will use the information to continue funding of the Centers, and to evaluate the progress of the program.

*Estimate of Burden:* 185 hours per center for 223 centers for a total of 4,070 hours.

*Respondents:* Non-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Report:* One from each of the 22 MRSECs.

Dated: September 11, 2013.

**Suzanne H. Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Advisory Committee for Geosciences; 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:* Advisory Committee for Geosciences (1755).

*Dates:* October 9, 2013, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; October 10, 2013, 8:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

*Place:* Stafford I, Room 1235, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd. Arlington, Virginia 22230.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Melissa Lane, National Science Foundation, Suite 705, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, Virginia 22230. Phone 703-292-8500.

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

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice, recommendations, and oversight on support for geoscience research and education including atmospheric, geo-space, earth, ocean and polar sciences.

#### Agenda

October 9, 2013

- Meeting with the Acting Director.

- Directorate and NSF activities and plans.
- Topical subcommittees on education/diversity, facilities, research and cyber-infrastructure.
- COV reports.

October 10, 2013

- Discussion of NSF Education Programs.
- Division Subcommittee meetings.
- Action Items/Planning for Fall Meeting.

Dated: September 11, 2013.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Sunshine Act Meetings; National Science Board

The National Science Board, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n-5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice of the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business, as follows:

**DATE AND TIME:** September 19, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

**PLACE:** The morning meeting will be held at the University of Washington, Odegaard Undergraduate Library, Room 220, 4060 George Washington Lane, Seattle, Washington 98195. It is open to the public. The afternoon meeting will be held at the University of Washington, Gerberding Hall. This meeting is closed to the public.

**STATUS:** Portion open; portion closed.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Please refer to the National Science Board Web site (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/notices/>) for additional information and schedule updates, or contact Jennie Moehlmann, [jmoehlma@nsf.gov](mailto:jmoehlma@nsf.gov), or (703) 292-7000. The Public Affairs contact is Dana Topousis, [dtopousi@nsf.gov](mailto:dtopousi@nsf.gov), (703) 292-7750.

#### Plenary Board Meeting Agenda

*Open Session: 8:00–11:00 a.m.*

- Chairman's introduction and welcome from the University of Washington
- Presentations and Panel Discussion: "The Future of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure for Science and Engineering, Research and Education." Moderator, Dr. Kelvin Droegemeier, NSB Vice-chairman.
- Chairman's remarks

*Plenary Executive Closed Session: 4:00–4:15 p.m.*

- Chairman's remarks

- Nominations Committee recommendations

*Meeting Adjourns: 4:15 p.m.*

**Ann Bushmiller,**

*Senior Counsel to the National Science Board.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-9091-MLA; ASLBP No. 12-915-01-MLA-BD01]

### Strata Energy, Inc. (Ross In Situ Recovery Uranium Project); Notice of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Reconstitution

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.313(c) and 2.321(b), the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (Board) in the above-captioned *Strata Energy, Inc.* case is hereby reconstituted by appointing Administrative Judge Craig M. White to serve on the Board in place of Administrative Judge Kenneth L. Mossman.

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall continue to be filed in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule. See 10 CFR 2.302 *et seq.*

Issued at Rockville, Maryland this 10th day of September 2013.

**E. Roy Hawkens,**

*Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 72-27; NRC-2011-0115]

### Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Humboldt Bay Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an environmental assessment (EA) and a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for an amendment request submitted by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), on September 8, 2010, as supplemented, for the Humboldt Bay Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI).

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2011-0115 when contacting the