

Admittance Instructions: Anyone wishing to attend the MEP Advisory Board meeting must submit their name, email address, and phone number to Cheryl Gendron (*Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov* or 301-975-2785) no later than Friday, June 8, 2018, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Kevin A. Kimball,
Chief of Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), U.S. Department of Commerce, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license throughout the world, to NIST's interest in the invention embodied in PCT Application PCT\US18\20679, titled "Non-resonant Electron Spin Resonant Probe and Associated Hardware" (NIST Docket 17-017) to Global Resonance Technologies, LLC. The grant of the license would be for the manufacture and use of a system for determination of radiation dosimetry.

DATES: The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless NIST receives, by June 6, 2018, written evidence and argument which establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

ADDRESSES: Information related to this license may be submitted to NIST, Technology Partnerships Office, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2200, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, or emailed to *donald.archer@nist.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald G. Archer, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Technology Partnerships Office, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2200, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, (301) 975-2522, *donald.archer@nist.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a notice in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(e) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) that NIST is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license throughout the world, to NIST's interest in the invention embodied in PCT Application PCT\US18\20679, titled "Non-resonant

Electron Spin Resonant Probe and Associated Hardware" (NIST Docket 17-017) to Global Resonance Technologies, LLC. The grant of the license would be for the manufacture and use of a system for determination of radiation dosimetry.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published Notice, NIST receives written evidence and argument which establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The Patent Application was filed on March 2, 2018 and describes a system and methods for determining radiation exposure.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award

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

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: The Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (Judges Panel) will meet on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern time. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and review the role and responsibilities of the Judges Panel and information received from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in order to ensure the integrity of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (Award) selection process. The agenda will include: Judges Panel roles and processes; Baldrige Program updates; new business/public comment; lessons learned from the 2017 judging process; and the 2018 Award process. A portion of this meeting is closed to the public in order to protect the proprietary data to be examined and discussed.

DATES: The Judges Panel meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Eastern time. The portion of the meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. will include

discussions on the Judges Panel roles and processes and Baldrige program updates. This session is open to the public. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice. The portion of the meeting from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. will include discussions on lessons learned from the 2017 judging process and on the 2018 Award process. This session is closed to the public in order to protect the proprietary data to be examined and discussed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Building 215, Room C103, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Fangmeyer, Director, Baldrige Performance Excellence Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 1020, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1020, at telephone number (301) 975-2360, or by email at *robert.fangmeyer@nist.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 3711a(d)(1) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award will meet on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern time. The Judges Panel is composed of twelve members, appointed by the Secretary of Commerce, chosen for their familiarity with quality improvement operations and competitiveness issues of manufacturing companies, services companies, small businesses, nonprofits, health care providers, and educational institutions. The Judges Panel will assemble to discuss and review the role and responsibilities of the Judges Panel and information received from NIST in order to ensure the integrity of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award selection process. The agenda will include: Judges Panel roles and processes; Baldrige Program updates; new business/public comment; lessons learned from the 2017 judging process; and the 2018 Award process. A portion of this meeting is closed to the public in order to protect the proprietary data to be examined and discussed.

The portion of the meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Eastern time will include discussions on the Judges Panel roles and processes and Baldrige program updates and is open to the public. Individuals and representatives

of organizations who would like to offer comments related to the Judges Panel general process are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately one-half hour will be reserved for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. The exact time for public comments will be included in the final agenda that will be posted on the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program website at https://patapasco.nist.gov/BoardofExam/Examiners_Judge2.cfm. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak, but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program, Attention Robyn Verner, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 1020, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1020, via fax at 301-975-4967 or electronically by email to robyn.verner@nist.gov.

All visitors to the National Institute of Standards and Technology site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Robyn Verner no later than 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, May 31, 2018, and she will provide you with instructions for admittance. Non-U.S. citizens must submit additional information; please contact Robyn Verner by email at robyn.verner@nist.gov or by phone at (301) 975-2702. Also, please note that under the REAL ID Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-13), federal agencies, including NIST, can only accept a state-issued driver's license or identification card for access to federal facilities if issued by states that are REAL ID compliant or have an extension. NIST also currently accepts other forms of federal-issued identification in lieu of a state-issued driver's license. For detailed information please contact Ms. Verner or visit: http://www.nist.gov/public_affairs/visitor/.

The portion of the meeting from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern time will include discussions on lessons learned from the 2017 judging process and on the 2018 Award process, and is closed to the public in order to protect the proprietary data to be examined and discussed. The Acting Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of

the Assistant General Counsel for Employment, Litigation and Information, formally determined on March 7, 2018, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended by Section 5(c) of the Government in Sunshine Act, Public Law 94-409, that a portion of the meeting of the Judges Panel may be closed to the public in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) because the meeting is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person which is privileged or confidential and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) because for a government agency the meeting is likely to disclose information that could significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Portions of the meeting involve examination of prior year Award applicant data. Award applicant data are directly related to the commercial activities and confidential information of the applicants.

Kevin A. Kimball,

Chief of Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Termination of a Selected National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) Service

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Chief of the National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) announces the termination of the Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NIST Traceable Reference Materials (NTRMs) Program offered by NVLAP. The Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NTRMs Program comprised laboratories that designed, prepared, characterized, certified and distributed NTRM filter reference materials.

DATES: The Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NTRMs Program will be terminated immediately upon publication of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Chief, National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop

2140, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-2140, or by email at nvlap@nist.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dana Leaman, Chief, National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program, (301) 975-4016 or dana.leaman@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIST administers NVLAP under regulations found in 15 CFR part 285. NVLAP provides an unbiased third-party evaluation and recognition of laboratory performance, as well as expert technical assistance to upgrade that performance, by accrediting calibration and testing laboratories found competent to perform specific calibrations or tests. NVLAP is comprised of a set of Laboratory Accreditation Programs (LAPs) which are established on the basis of requests and demonstrated need. Each LAP includes specific test and/or calibration standards and related methods and protocols assembled to satisfy the unique needs for accreditation in the field of testing, field of calibration, product, or service.

Under 15 CFR 285.5, the Chief of NVLAP may terminate a specific LAP when it is determined that a need no longer exists to accredit laboratories for the services covered under the scope of the LAP. A review of the Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NTRMs Program revealed that there are zero (0) laboratories enrolled in the program. Given this, it is unnecessary and not cost effective to continue this LAP. Therefore, the Chief of NVLAP has determined that there no longer exists a need to continue this LAP.

After the comment period, the Chief of NVLAP has determined there is no public support for the continuation of the LAP. NVLAP shall no longer grant or renew accreditations under the terminated program effective upon publication of this notice.

Kevin A. Kimball,

Chief of Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

NIST Consortium for Metrology of Additive Construction by Extrusion (MACE)

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), an