

29, 2 items, 2 temporary items). Inputs and master files associated with an electronic information system that tracks contacts made by the agency with individuals other than the taxpayer whose tax liability is the subject of the requests.

42. Agency for International Development, Office of Human Resources (N1-286-09-1, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Electronic data concerning agency personnel used to facilitate human resources processes.

43. Federal Housing Finance Agency, Office of the General Counsel (N1-543-09-1, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Administrative hearing and litigation case files relating to cases in which the agency is a party or has an interest.

44. National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Records Services—Washington, D.C. (N1-64-09-3, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Master files and other records associated with an electronic information system used to process and track Freedom of Information Act requests that involve records that are not security classified.

45. National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Records Services—Washington, D.C. (N1-64-09-4, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Master files and other records associated with an electronic information system used to process and track declassification review projects and Freedom of Information Act and Mandatory Review requests that involve security classified records.

46. Office of the Director of National Intelligence, National Counterintelligence Executive (N1-576-08-5, 38 items, 16 temporary items). Records relating to facilitating U.S. counterintelligence efforts, including such materials as administrative records, attorney's working files, reference materials, extra copies of facilities information, non-substantive drafts and work papers, and background materials relating to counterintelligence matters including training. Also included are non-precedent setting determinations as to whether companies seeking to do business with the U.S. Intelligence Community pose security threats, and non-precedent setting assessments as to whether foreign financial interests seeking to invest in U.S. businesses represent a security threat. Proposed for permanent retention are precedent-setting determinations and assessments of companies and foreign financial interests. Also proposed for permanent retention are such records as controlled communications documenting the organization's mission, agendas and minutes of the National

Counterintelligence Policy Board, periodic reports to Congress, working group records, evaluations of counterintelligence plans of other Federal agencies, research reports relating to counterintelligence training, record copies of counterintelligence course material, damage assessment case files and other records relating to counterintelligence breaches throughout the Federal government, records relating to technology and counterintelligence efforts, strategic policy and planning records, and substantive work papers.

47. Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Country Mission Managers (N1-576-09-2, 5 items, 1 temporary item). Non-substantive working papers relating to integrating collection and analysis on specific countries across the Intelligence Community. Proposed for permanent retention are program subject files, substantive working papers, controlled communications, and the files of boards and working groups comprised of senior officials.

48. Tennessee Valley Authority, Information Management (N1-142-09-4, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Records associated with an electronic information system that consolidates multiple work and management processes. Records relate to the management of physical plant, and work force assets related to such activities as power generation, transmission, and distribution, water treatment, and the operation of facilities and vehicles.

49. Western Area Power Administration, Agency-wide (N1-201-09-1, 5 items, 5 temporary items). Inputs, outputs, and master files associated with an electronic information system that is used for managing business process, payments, disbursements, assets, revenues, and other financial matters.

Dated: June 29, 2009.

**Sharon G. Thibodeau,**  
Deputy Assistant Archivist for Records  
Services—Washington, DC.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541)

**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 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 August 5, 2009. 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:**

Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-7405.

**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 as requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

1. *Applicant:* Permit Application No. 2010-003, Wayne Z. Trivelpiece, 3333 Torrey Pines, North, La Jolla, CA 92037.

*Activity for Which Permit Is Requested:* Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The applicant plans to enter Western Shore of Admiralty Bay, King George Island (ASPA 128) to access their summer only field camp of Copacabana to conduct research on seabirds. The applicant will continue their study of the behavioral ecology and population biology of the Adelie, Gentoo and chinstrap penguins and the interactions among these species and their principal avian predators: Skuas, sheathbills, and giant petrels. The study includes banding Adelie and Gentoo penguin chicks, apply radio transmitters (Tx's), satellite tags (PTTs), and time-depth recorders (TDRs), conduct stomach pumping, blood collection, as well as data collection on egg sizes. The applicant also plans to conduct breeding and banded skua surveys at Lion's

Rump (ASPA 151), when conditions and ship schedules allow.

*Location:* Western Shore of Admiralty Bay, (ASPA 128) and Lion's Rump (ASPA 151), King George Island.

*Dates:* October 01, 2009 to August 31, 2010.

2. *Applicant:* Permit Application No. 2010-005, Scott Borg, Director, Division of Antarctic Sciences, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Activity for Which Permit Is Requested:* Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. Principal Investigators and their teams plan to enter Arrival Heights (ASPA 122) to work on projects that include, but are not limited to operation of an ELF/VLF receiver, riometer and magnetometer for studies of the earth's magnetic field and ionosphere, high latitude neutral mesospheric and thermospheric dynamics and thermodynamics, UV monitoring, aerosols investigations, and pollution surveys. In addition, Crary Science and Engineering Center Research Associate(s) will need to access the site daily for equipment monitoring, data acquisition, calibrations, and repairs. Official scientific visitors may enter the site for educational and/or oversight purposes. Personnel from the Facilities Engineering and Maintenance Center and other support departments may need to be called upon to perform inspections, maintenance or repair functions at the facilities within the ASPA. Other personnel will need to enter APSA 122 to monitor and maintain or repair weather equipment within the site. OPP Division Directors and Program managers may need to enter the site for oversight purposes. Antarctic Environmental Enforcement Officers may enter the site to observe and determine whether modifications to the Management Plan or the USAP implementing procedures are warranted.

*Location:* Arrival Heights, Ross Island (ASPA 122).

*Dates:* October 01, 2009 to September 30, 2014.

3. *Applicant:* Permit Application No. 2010-006, Mahlon C. Kennicutt, II, Professor of Oceanography, Department of Oceanography, Eller Oceanography & Meteorology Bldg., Rm. 608, 3146 Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-1112.

*Activity for Which Permit Is Requested:* Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The applicant plans to enter Arrival Heights (ASPA 122) and Hut Point (ASPA 158) to collect soil and permafrost samples as part of the

ongoing environmental monitoring program. Samples will also be collected from Cape Bird (ASPA 116) as a reference control area for their study of the temporal and spatial scales of various types of disturbance in and around McMurdo Station, Antarctica.

*Location:* Cape Bird (ASPA 116), Arrival Heights (ASPA 122) and Hut Point (ASPA 158).

*Dates:* November 17, 2009 to December 31, 2009.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2009-0276]

### Draft Regulatory Guide: Issuance, Availability

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance and availability of Draft Regulatory Guide, DG-1221.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeffrey Hixon, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone: (301) 251-7639 or e-mail to [Jeffrey.Hixon@nrc.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Hixon@nrc.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing for public comment a draft guide in the agency's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series was developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the NRC's regulations, techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The draft regulatory guide (DG), entitled, "Control of Stainless Steel Weld Cladding of Low-Alloy Steel Components," is temporarily identified by its task number, DG-1221, which should be mentioned in all related correspondence. DG-1221 is proposed Revision 1 of Regulatory Guide 1.43, dated May 1973.

General Design Criterion I, "Quality Standards and Records," of Appendix A, "General Design Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants," to Title 10, part 50, "Domestic Licensing of Production and

Utilization Facilities," of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR part 50) requires that components important to safety be designed, fabricated, and tested to quality standards commensurate with the importance of the safety function to be performed. Appendix B, "Quality Assurance Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants and Fuel Processing Plants," to 10 CFR part 50, requires that measures be established to ensure control of special processes such as welding and that proper testing be performed. This guide describes acceptable methods of implementing these requirements with regard to the selection and control of welding processes used for cladding ferritic steel components with austenitic stainless steel to restrict practices that could result in underclad cracking. This guide is limited to forgings and plate material and does not apply to other product forms such as castings and pipe. Adequate resistance to underclad cracking for these latter items should be assured on a case-by-case basis. This guide applies to light-water-cooled reactors.

#### II. Further Information

The NRC staff is soliciting comments on DG-1221. Comments may be accompanied by relevant information or supporting data and should mention DG-1221 in the subject line. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available to the public in their entirety through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS).

Personal information will not be removed from your comments. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

1. *Mail comments to:* Rulemaking and Directives Branch, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

2. *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for documents filed under Docket ID [NRC-2009-0276]. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher, 301-492-3668; e-mail [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov).

3. *Fax comments to:* Rulemaking and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at (301) 492-3446.

Requests for technical information about DG-1221 may be directed to the NRC contact, Jeffrey Hixon at (301) 251-7639 or e-mail to [Jeffrey.Hixon@nrc.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Hixon@nrc.gov).

Comments would be most helpful if received by August 31, 2009. Comments received after that date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but