- 3. Regular Mail: MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209–3939, Attention: Patricia W. Silvey, Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.
- 4. Hand-Delivery or Courier: MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209– 3939, Attention: Patricia W. Silvey, Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.

MSHA will consider only comments postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or proof of delivery from another delivery service such as UPS or Federal Express on or before the deadline for comments. Individuals who submit comments by hand-delivery are required to check in at the receptionist desk on the 21st floor.

Individuals may inspect a copy of the petition and comments during normal business hours at the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Barron, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances at 202–693– 9447 (Voice), barron.barbara@dol.gov (E-mail), or 202–693–9441 (Telefax). [These are not toll-free numbers].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act) allows the mine operator or representative of miners to file a petition to modify the application of any mandatory safety standard to a coal or other mine if the Secretary determines that: (1) An alternative method of achieving the result of such standard exists which will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded the miners of such mine by such standard; or (2) that the application of such standard to such mine will result in a diminution of safety to the miners in such mine. In addition, the regulations at 30 CFR 44.10 and 44.11 establish the requirements and procedures for filing petitions for modification.

II. Petition for Modification

Docket Number: M–2010–003–M.
Petitioner: Resolution Copper Mining,
LLC, Resolution Mine, MSHA I.D. No.
02–00152 located in Pinal County,
Arizona.

Regulation Affected: 30 CFR 57.19076 (Maximum speeds for hoisting persons in buckets).

Modification Request: The petitioner requests a modification of the existing

standard to permit miners to be hoisted in open ended buckets at a rate of 1200 feet per minute (FPM). The petitioner states that: (1) Personnel would ride inside of a completely empty bucket in accordance with 30 CFR 57.19071 (Riding in skips or buckets), while standing on the bucket floor. The round open bucket is 8.5 feet high and 6 feet in diameter. On average, while standing on the bucket floor, the top of the miner's head would be 2.5 feet below the open bucket rim; (2) the buckets are in compliance with 30 CFR 57.19050 (Bucket requirements) as follows: (a) Buckets are securely attached to a crosshead at all times while traveling in the shaft; (b) the bucket has overhead protection by means of a canopy permanently installed on the crosshead; (c) the buckets have sufficient depth to transport persons safely in a standing position; and (d) the buckets are attached to the crosshead by a "Dolly Ball" at the crosshead and do not have bails attached to their lower half; (3) all buckets are equipped with engineered anchor points inside the bucket located under the bucket foot wells on the bucket walls. Personnel are required to be securely anchored to these anchors with a full body harness and safety lanyard at all times while traveling in the bucket; (4) the emergency braking deceleration rate of the sinking hoist running at 1500 FPM is 11.4 feet per second per second (11.4 ft/s²) when moving up, and 10.7 feet per second per second (10.7 ft/s²) when moving down. This deceleration is significantly lower than the maximum deceleration rate of 16 feet per second per second (16 ft/s²) prescribed in 30 CFR 57.19062. At the intended man hoisting speed of 1200 FPM the deceleration rates will be much lower; (5) the sinking hoist is operated under computer programmable logical controls (PLC). There are controls that verify the crosshead is attached to the bucket all times while traveling in the shaft; (6) there are 3 sets of safety doors in the shaft. The doors are located at the shaft collar on the surface, the ventilation level is 100 feet below the surface, the bucket dump and the Never Sweat Level is 1190 feet below the surface, and there is also safety backsplashes located at the bucket dump which is 800 feet below the surface. Each of these installations have proximity switches and electronic monitoring verifying that the crosshead is attached to the bucket when they pass through these safety systems; and (7) the hoist deceleration rates at 1200 FPM provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

Dated: October 15, 2010.

Patricia W. Silvey,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

Sunshine Act; Notice of a Matter To Be Added to the Agenda for Consideration at an Agency Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m., Thursday, October 21, 2010.

PLACE: Board Room, 7th Floor, Room 7047, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314–3428.

STATUS: Open.

Matters To Be Considered

4a. Briefing—NCUSIF Public Education Campaign.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Rupp, Secretary of the Board, Telephone: 703–518–6304.

Mary Rupp,

Board Secretary.

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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 November 22, 2010. 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 a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected

The applications received are as follows:

1. Applicant

Permit Application No. 2011–021.

Ms. Rebecca M. Dickhut, Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences, Gloucester Point, VA 23062.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Import into the U.S.A. The applicant plans to import frozen seabird tissue samples, collected by other researchers, for use in experiments back at the institutions laboratories. The applicant hopes to receive tissue samples from Adelie, Gentoo, Chinstrap, and Emperor penguins and Southern Giant Petrels. The samples will be used to: (a) Trace the movement of persistent organic pollutants (POPs) stored in glacier ice into the Antarctica marine food web, and (b) provide insight into the dietary preferences and feeding ecology of Antarctic seabirds. The research will provide an understanding of the potential coupling between global climate change and mobilization of glacier reservoirs of contaminants, and is likely to serve as a case study for understanding the potential future impact of contaminants store din glaciers on regional aquatic ecosystems.

Location

Western Antarctica.

January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs. [FR Doc. 2010-26472 Filed 10-20-10; 8:45 am]

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Reliability and PRA; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Reliability and PRA will hold a meeting on November 16, 2010, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Marvland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

November 16, 2010—8:30 a.m. Until 5

The Subcommittee will review the current state of licensee efforts on the fire protection program transition to National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 805. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with the NRC staff and other interested persons. The Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the Full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Girija Shukla (Telephone 301-415-6855 or E-mail: Girija.Shukla@nrc.gov) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be e-mailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Detailed procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the Federal Register on October 14, 2009, (74 FR 58268–58269).

Detailed meeting agendas and meeting transcripts are available on the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/readingrm/doc-collections/acrs. Information regarding topics to be discussed, changes to the agenda, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the time allotted to present oral statements can be obtained

from the Web site cited above or by contacting the identified DFO. Moreover, in view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with these references if such rescheduling would result in a major inconvenience.

Dated: October 14, 2010.

Antonio F Dias.

Branch Chief, Reactor Safety Branch B, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards. [FR Doc. 2010-26494 Filed 10-20-10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE P

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on AP1000; **Notice of Meeting**

The ACRS Subcommittee on AP1000 will hold a meeting on November 17-19, 2010, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed to protect information that is proprietary to Westinghouse Electric Company LLC, and its contractors, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4).

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, November 17, 2010, Thursday, November 19, 2010, Friday, November 20, 2010—8:30 a.m. Until 5 p.m.

The Subcommittee will review selected chapters of the Final Safety Evaluation Report (FSER) associated with revisions to the AP1000 Design Control Document (DCD) and followup items from the previous AP1000 subcommittee meetings. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with NRC staff, Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC, and other interested persons. The Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the Full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Weidong Wang (Telephone 301-415-6279 or E-mail: Weidong.Wang@nrc.gov) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each