

Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address, 703–292–8030, or ACApermits@nsf.gov.

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Application Details

Applicant

Permit Application: 2018–022
Jennifer Burns, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

Activity for Which Permit is Requested

Harmful Interference. The applicant will be conducting programmatic oversight activities that may involve approaching seabird colonies near Palmer Station in the Antarctic Peninsula. The applicant is seeking a permit for harmful interference for incidental disturbance of penguins or petrels during the conduct of the oversight activities.

Location

Torgersen Island; Humble Island; Palmer Basin (ASMA 7).

Dates

December 12–20, 2017.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Polar Coordination Specialist, Office of Polar Programs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Modification Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit modification request.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of requests to modify permits issued to conduct activities regulated

under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice of a requested permit modification.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by November 27, 2017. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

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Description of Permit Modification Requested: The Foundation issued a permit (ACA 2017–034) to David W. Johnston on January 6, 2017. The issued permit allows the permit holder and his agents to use unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) for photogrammetry and capture of behavior by video of whales and seabirds, including penguins. The UAS is also used to conduct transect-type surveys of penguin and other seabird colonies, including colonies at Avian Island, ASPA no. 117.

Now the applicant proposes a modification to his permit to use unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) for photogrammetry and population assessments by video of Antarctic seals. The permit holder plans overflights that may result in the disturbance of Antarctic fur seals (n=6000/year), crabeater seals (n=6000/year), leopard seals (n=2000/year), southern elephant seals (n=2000/year), and Weddell seals (n=2000/year). Authorization for the overflight of seals by UAS from the National Marine Fisheries Service under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) is pending.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula region; Torgersen Island; ASPA No. 117, Avian Island, Marguerite Bay.

Dates of Permitted Activities: November 1, 2017–March 31, 2019.

Nadene G. Kennedy,
Polar Coordination Specialist, Office of Polar Programs.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change To Amend Section 202.06 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual To Prohibit Listed Companies From Issuing Material News After the Official Closing Time for the Exchange's Trading Session Until the Earlier of Publication of Such Company's Official Closing Price on the Exchange or Five Minutes After the Official Closing Time

October 20, 2017.

On August 17, 2017, New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE” or the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to amend the NYSE Listed Company Manual (the “Manual”) to prohibit listed companies from issuing material news after the official closing time for the Exchange’s trading session until the earlier of publication of such company’s official closing price on the Exchange or five minutes after the official closing time. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on September 5, 2017.³ The Commission received one comment letter on the proposed rule change.⁴

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁵ provides that, within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 81494 (August 29, 2017), 82 FR 42008.

⁴ See letter to Eduardo A. Aleman, Assistant Secretary, Commission from John Dibacco Virtu Financial LLC, dated September 20, 2017.

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).