to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1200(d) & (i) (Mine map) to its Rocky Top Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 36–09072) located in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to use cross-sections instead of contour lines through the intake slope, at locations of rock tunnel connections between veins, and at 1,000 foot intervals of advance from the intake slope. The petitioner also proposes to limit the required mapping of the mine workings above and below to those present within 100 feet of the vein being mined except those veins that are interconnected to other veins beyond the 100-foot limit through rock tunnels. The petitioner asserts that due to the steep pitch encountered in mining anthracite coal veins, contours provide no useful information and their presence would make portions of the map illegible. The petitioner further asserts that use of cross-sections in lieu of contour lines has been practiced since the late 1800's thereby providing critical information relative to the spacing between veins and proximity to other mine workings that fluctuate considerably. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

10. H & M Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2002-122-C]

H & M Coal Company, 48 Meadowview Road, Pine Grove, Pennsylvania 17963 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1202 and 30 CFR 75.1202-1(a) (Temporary notations, revisions, and supplements) to its Rocky Top Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 36-09072) located in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to revise and supplement mine maps annually instead of every 6 months as required, and to update maps daily by hand notations. The petitioner also proposes to conduct surveys prior to commencing retreat mining and whenever either a drilling program under 30 CFR 75.388 or plan for mining into inaccessible areas under 30 CFR 75.389 is required. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to *comments@msha.gov*, or on a computer disk along with an original hard copy to the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2352,

Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before February 10, 2003. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia this 3rd day of January 2003.

Marvin W. Nichols, Jr.,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

[FR Doc. 03–446 Filed 1–9–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–43–P

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Federal Advisory Committee on International Exhibitions

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on International Exhibitions (FACIE), will be held by teleconference from 2 p.m.–4 p.m. on Wednesday, January 29, 2003 in Room 709 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20506.

This meeting is for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendations on financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of May 2, 2002, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(4), (6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Panel Coordinator, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC, 20506, or call 202/682–5691.

Dated: January 6, 2003.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts. [FR Doc. 03–519 Filed 1–9–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7537–01–P

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: National Labor Relations Board.

TIME AND DATE: 3 p.m. Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

PLACE: Board Conference Room, Eleventh Floor, 1099 Fourteenth St., NW., Washington, DC 20570.

STATUS: Closed to public observation pursuant to 5 U.S.C. section 552b(c)(2) (internal personnel rules and practices); and (9)(B) (disclosure would significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action . . .).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Internal Administrative Matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Lester A. Heltzer, Acting Executive Secretary, Washington, DC 20570, Telephone: (202) 273–1067.

Dated: Washington, DC, January 7, 2003. By the Direction of the Board.

Lester A. Heltzer,

Acting Executive Secretary. [FR Doc. 03–612 Filed 1–8–03; 12:20 pm]

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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, Pub. L. 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 February 10, 2003. 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), has developed regulations that implement the "Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora" for all United States citizens. The Agreed Measures, developed by the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties, recommended 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 Specially Protected Areas and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

The Applications Received are as Follows:

Permit Application No. 2003-017

 Applicant: Bruce D. Sidell, School of Marine Sciences, University of Maine, 5751 Murray Hall, Orono, ME 04469– 5751.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Introduce Non-indigenous species into Antarctica. The applicant proposes use frozen fish tissues from species native to Patagonian Chile as bait (mixture of Macruronis magellanicus and Dissostichus eleginoides) in fishing traps/pots in the Antarctic Peninsula. The specimens collected, with particular emphasis upon Channichthyid ice fishes, will be taken to the Palmer Station aquarium facilities and used to study the physiology and biochemistry of Antarctic fishes. The applicant proposes to fish a maximum of 15 traps and estimates using a maximum of 15 blocks of frozen fish bait (10-15kg).

Location

Antarctic Peninsula area in the vicinities of Low, Brabant, Anvers, and Livingston Island, as well as Dellman Bay.

Dates

April 5, 2003 to August 30, 2005.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs. [FR Doc. 03–450 Filed 1–9–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., Millstone Power Station, Unit 2; Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

[Docket No. 50–336–OLA–2; ASLBP No. 03–808–02–OLA]

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972,

published in the **Federal Register**, 37 FR 28710 (1972), and sections 2.105, 2.700, 2.702, 2.714, 2.714a, 2.717, 2.721, and 2.772(j) of the Commission's Regulations, all as amended, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is being established to preside over the following proceeding: Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., Millstone Power Station, Unit 2.

This Board is being established pursuant to a notice of consideration of issuance of an operating license amendment, proposed no significant hazards consideration determination, and opportunity for a hearing published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 68731 (Nov. 12, 2002)). The proceeding involves a petition for intervention submitted December 12, 2002, by the Connecticut Coalition Against Millstone and the STAR Foundation challenging a request by Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., to amend the operating license for the Millstone Power Station, Unit 2. The amendment would change certain facility technical specifications relating to containment closure during activities in the spent fuel pool area.

The Board is comprised of the following administrative judges: Ann M. Young, Chair, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; Dr. Richard F. Cole, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; Dr. Thomas S. Elleman, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001.

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed with the administrative judges in accordance with 10 CFR 2.701.

Issued at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of January 2003.

G. Paul Bollwerk, III,

Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Financial Assurance, Recordkeeping, and Timeliness; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) is announcing the availability of a draft document "Consolidated NMSS Decommissioning Guidance: Financial Assurance, Recordkeeping, and Timeliness" (NUREG-1757, Vol. 3), for public comment. This document provides guidance for compliance with the financial assurance, recordkeeping, and timeliness criteria for decommissioning of 10 CFR parts 30, 40, 70, and 72. The guidance is intended for NRC staff, licensees, and the public. The guidance is being developed in response to the NMSS performance goals, in the NRC's Strategic Plan, of: (1) Making NRC activities and decisions more effective, efficient, and realistic; and (2) reducing unnecessary regulatory burden on stakeholders. NRC is seeking public comment in order to receive feedback from the widest range of interested parties and to ensure that all information relevant to developing the document is available to the NRC staff. This draft document is being issued for comment only and is not intended for interim use. The NRC will review public comments received on the draft document. In response to those comments, suggested changes will be incorporated, where appropriate, and a final document will be issued for use.

DATES: Comments on this draft document should be submitted by March 11, 2003. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: NUREG—1757, Volume 3, is available for inspection and copying for a fee at the Commission's Public Document Room, U.S. NRC's Headquarters Building, 11555 Rockville Pike (First Floor), Rockville, Maryland. NUREG—1757, Volume 3, is also available electronically from the ADAMS Electronic Reading Room on the NRC Web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html, and on the NRC Web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff.

A free single copy of NUREG-1757, Volume 3, will be available to interested parties until the supply is exhausted. Such copies may be requested by writing to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Distribution Services, Washington, DC 20555-0001 or submitting e-mail to distribution@nrc.gov.

Members of the public are invited and encouraged to submit written comments