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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board will meet in closed session on February 4-5, 2004; May 12-13, 2004; and October 20-21, 2004, at the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Defense Science Board will discuss interim findings and recommendations resulting from ongoing Task Force activities. The Board will also discuss plans for future consideration of scientific and technical aspects of specific strategies, tactics, and policies as they may affect the U.S. national defense posture and homeland security.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, these meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: October 15, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Technology Investment for the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) on October 20-21, 2003, in Arlington, Virginia.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Defense Science Board Task Force will conduct a one-time evaluation of DARPA's current technology portfolio to confirm that DARPA has advanced research projects based on sound, proven scientific and technological foundations, practices and methods that are of high value to the Department of Defense's operational missions.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that this Defense Science Board Task Force meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

Due to critical mission requirements and the short timeframe to accomplish this review, there is insufficient time to provide timely notice required by Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and Subsection 101-6.1015(b) of the GSA Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, 41 CFR Part 101-6, which further requires publication at least 15 calendar days prior to the meeting.

Dated: October 10, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Admissions announces the proposed reinstatement of a public information

collection and seeks public comment on provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, unity, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by November 20, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendation on the proposed information collection should be sent to United States Air Force Academy, Office of Admissions, 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 236, USAFA, CO 80840.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposed and associated collection instruments, please write to above address, or call the United States Air Force Academy, Office of Admissions, (719) 333-7291.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Air Force Academy Secondary School Transcript, USAF Form 148, OMB Number 0701-0066.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain data on candidate's background and aptitude in determining eligibility and selection to the Air Force Academy.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 4,000.

Number of Respondents: 7,500.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 30 Minutes.

Frequency: 1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The information collected on this form is required by 10 U.S.C. 9346. The respondents are students who are applying for admission to the United States Air Force Academy. Each student's background and aptitude is reviewed to determine eligibility. If the information on this form is not collected, the individual cannot be

considered for admittance to the Air Force Academy.

Pamela Fitzgerald,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. and Foreign Patents and Patent Applications Concerning Indolo [2,1-B] Quinazole-6,12-Dione Antimalarial Compounds and Methods of Treating Malaria

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR Part 404.6 and 404.7, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of inventions set forth in the following, related patent applications:

1. *Title:* Indolo [2,1-B] Quinazole-6, 12-Dione Antimalarial Compounds and Methods of Treating Malaria.

U.S. Patent No.: 6,531,487.

Issued: March 11, 2003.

2. *Title:* Indolo [2,1-B] Quinazole-6, 12-Dione Antimalarial Compounds and Methods.

U.S. Patent No.: 6,284,772.

Issued: September 28, 1999.

Foreign rights are also available. The United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights in these inventions.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, MD 21702-5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Applications, (301) 619-6664, both at telefax (301) 619-5034.

Luz D. Ortiz,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Intent To Grant an Exclusive License

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(e) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i), announcement is made of the intent to grant an exclusive, royalty-bearing, revocable license for the U.S. Patents listed below to New England Ropes, Inc. with its principal place of business at 848 Airport road, Fall River, Massachusetts 02720.

DATES: File written objections by November 5, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Rosenkrans at U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Kansas Street, Natick, MA 01760, Phone; (508) 233-4928 or e-mail: *Robert.Rosenkrans@natick.army.mil*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The exclusive licenses will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The exclusive licenses may be granted, unless within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, SBCCOM receives written evidence and argument to 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 following Titles, Patent Numbers, and Issue dates are provided:

1. *Title:* Harness for Human Wear;

Patent No. 6, 189,651; *Issue Date:*

February 20, 2001.

2. *Title:* Harness for Human Wear;

Patent No. 5,857,540; *Issue Date:*

January 12, 1999.

3. *Title:* Rappel Tool for Descent of a Load and Rappel Tool and Stirrup Assembly for Ascent Along a Rappel Rope; *Patent No.* 6,095,282; *Issue Date:* August 1, 2000.

4. *Title:* Rappel Rope Storage and Deployment System; *Patent No.* 5,868,219; *Issue Date:* February 9, 1999.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a General Reevaluation Report and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Atlantic Coast of Maryland Shoreline Protection Project, Ocean City, MD

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), will conduct a General Reevaluation Report (GRR) and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to evaluate new sand borrow areas for the continued beach replenishment at Ocean City, Maryland, and potential modifications to the existing project to better protect Ocean City at areas of high erosion.

The Atlantic Coast of Maryland Shoreline Protection Project, Ocean City, Maryland, is designed to provide coastal flood and erosion protection to Ocean City. As part of the project design, periodic renourishment and maintenance of the beach are required to maintain the design level of protection. Every four years, approximately 800,000 cubic yards of sand are required to renourish and maintain the beaches. The original feasibility report identified borrow areas that will be consumed within the next eight years (two beach renourishment cycles) or less, assuming no extreme storm events. Estimates show that approximately 10-12 million cubic yards of sand are needed to maintain the four-year cycles for the remaining project life. The District proposes to analyze, evaluate, and select the best site(s) for additional borrow material.

In addition, the project has experienced three persistent areas of erosion, or hot spots, that have required significant amounts of sand renourishment since the project's inception. These areas, centered on 32nd Street, 81st Street, and 146th Street have been examined in the past, and several potential cost-effective solutions were identified. The second purpose of this reevaluation study and resulting GRR is to analyze, evaluate, and select the best alternative to reduce maintenance costs for two of the three areas. The area at 146th Street has been addressed by the Corps' Philadelphia District's Fenwick Island, Delaware, Interim Feasibility Study—Final Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement.

The study will be conducted in compliance with Section 404 and Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Air Act, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, Prime and Unique Farmlands, the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Act. All appropriate documentation (*i.e.*, Section 7, Section 106 coordination letters, and public and