NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts

Arts Advisory Panel Meetings

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Arts, National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given that 18 meetings of the Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts will be held by teleconference unless otherwise noted.

DATES: See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for individual meeting times and dates. All meetings are Eastern time and ending times are approximate:

ADRESSES: National Endowment for the Arts, Constitution Center, 400 7th St. SW, Washington, DC 20506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Further information with reference to these meetings can be obtained from Ms. Sherry P. Hale, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506; hales@arts.gov, or call 202/682–5696.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The closed portions of meetings are 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 July 5, 2016, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(6) of section 552b of title 5, United States Code.

The upcoming meetings are:

Folk and Traditional Arts (review of applications): This meeting will be by videoconference and will be closed.

Date and time: January 10, 2018; 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Design (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 10, 2018; 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Folk and Traditional Arts (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 11, 2018; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Design (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 11, 2018; 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Folk and Traditional Arts (review of applications): This meeting will be by videoconference and will be closed.

Date and time: January 12, 2018; 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Design (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 17, 2018; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Design (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 17, 2018; 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Design (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 18, 2018; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Folk and Traditional Arts (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 23, 2018; 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Folk and Traditional Arts (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 25, 2018; 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Music (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 25, 2018; 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Research (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 25, 2018; 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Research (review of applications): This meeting will be closed.

Date and time: January 29, 2018; 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

State and Regional (review of applications): This meeting will be open.

Date and time: January 29, 2018; 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

State and Regional (review of applications): This meeting will be open.

Date and time: January 30, 2018; 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

State and Regional (review of applications): This meeting will be open.

Date and time: February 1, 2018; 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the NSF, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the NSF’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological methods.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Establish an Information Collection

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request approval for the Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) Certification Form. In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting that OMB approve clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by February 12, 2018 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room W 18000, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the NSF, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the NSF’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological methods.


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collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title of Collection: Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) Certification Form.

OMB Approval Number: 3145–NEW.

Expiration Date of Current Approval: Not applicable.

Type of Request: Intent to establish an information collection.

Abstract: To enhance the quality of undergraduate STEM education at Hispanic-serving institutions (HSIs), the National Science Foundation (NSF) established the Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) Program, in response to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Pub. L. 115–31) and the American Innovation and Competitiveness Act (Pub. L. 114–329). The lead institution submitting a proposal to the HSI Program must be an HSI as defined by law in section 502 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1101a) (http://legcounsel.house.gov/Comps/HEA65_CMD.pdf). Hence there is a need for institutions to self-certify via an HSI Certification Form.

Expected Respondents: Hispanic-Serving Institutions.

Estimate of Burden: We anticipate 175 proposals for 2 minutes which is approximately 6 hours.


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Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[License Nos. XSOU8707 and XSOU8827; Docket Nos. 11004455 and 11005966; Docket ID: NRC–2017–0230]

In the Matter of MP Mine Operations LLC; Order Approving Direct Transfers of Control of Licenses

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Order; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an Order approving a request, submitted by Molycorp Minerals LLC (Molycorp), seeking the NRC’s consent to the direct transfers of control of Export Licenses XSOU8707 and XSOU8827. In addition, Molycorp requested approval of conforming license amendments to reflect the new name of the holder of the license from Molycorp Minerals LLC, to MP Mine Operations (MPMO).

DATES: The Order was issued on November 27, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket IDs 11004455 and 11005966 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- Federal Rulemaking website: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC–2017–0230. Address questions about NRC docket numbers to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301–415–3463; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For questions about the Order, contact the individual listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

- NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System: You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Documents collection at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “ADAMS Public Documents” and then select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that a document is referenced in this document.

- NRC’s PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room O1–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.


SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The text of the Order is attached.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 7th day of December 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David L. Skenel,
Deputy Director, Office of International Programs.

I.

Molycorp, the original Licensee, previously held export licenses nos. XSOU8707 and XSOU8827. The Licensee address included on these export licenses was the Mountain Pass rare earth mine and processing facility. After Molycorp filed for bankruptcy, MP Mine Operations LLC (MPMO) purchased the Mountain Pass rare earth mine and processing facility from Molycorp pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated June 19, 2017, (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. ML17297B230). Although the “purchased assets” covered by this agreement included “all Permits . . . to the extent transferable,” the export licenses held by Molycorp were not transferred to MPMO at that time (see sections 2.1(b)(viii) and 2.7(a) of the asset purchase agreement). MPMO, a Delaware limited liability company, is controlled by two U.S. investment funds, JHL Capital Group Holdings Fund Two and QVT Financial LP, which combined have a 90.01 percent economic stake and own 100 percent of the voting common units for MPMO. Shenghe Resources Holding Co., Ltd., through its subsidiary Leshan Shenghe Rare Earth Co., Ltd., owns a 9.99 percent non-voting preferred stake for MPMO, and has no voting rights in MPMO. Both Shenghe Resources Holding Co., Ltd. and Leshan Shenghe Rare Earth Co., Ltd. are foreign companies.

II.

By letter dated August 14, 2017 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML17236A034 and ML17236A039), as supplemented by letter dated October 5, 2017, (ADAMS Accession No. ML17297A131) and revised applications dated October 19, 2017, (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML17296A544 and ML17296A693), MPMO requested approval from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to transfer control of export licenses nos. XSOU8707 and XSOU8827 from Molycorp to MPMO. This request was made pursuant to Section 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (AEA) (42 U.S.C. 2234) and Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR 110.50(d). In association with the proposed direct transfer, MPMO has requested that both licenses be amended to change the Licensee from Molycorp to MPMO, and that the expiration date for XSOU8827 be extended by one month (to December 31, 2021). In addition, as part of the amendment applications, MPMO provided updated contact information for the Licensee contact (John Benfield, who is currently listed as the Licensee contact on both licenses and is now working for MPMO).

The revised applications dated October 19, 2017 were made publicly available in ADAMS on October 23, 2017. No requests for hearing or comments were received.