condition, and have a qualified person as defined in 30 CFR 75.153, examine the equipment at intervals not to exceed 7 days. The examination results will be recorded in the weekly examination electrical equipment book. These examinations will include:

(i) Checking the instrument for any physical damage and the integrity of the case,

(ii) Removing the battery and inspecting for corrosion and damage.

(iii) Inspecting the contact points to ensure a secure connection to the battery.

(iv) Reinserting the battery and powering up and shutting down to ensure proper connections.

(v) Checking the battery compartment cover to ensure that it is securely fastened.

(b) A qualified person as defined in 30 CFR 75.151 will continuously monitor for methane immediately before and during the use of nonpermissible surveying equipment in or inby the last open crosscut or in the return.

(c) Nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be used if methane is detected in concentrations at or above one percent for the area being surveyed. When methane is detected at such levels while the nonpermissible surveying equipment is being used, the equipment will be deenergized immediately and withdrawn out of the return.

(d) Nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be used in areas where float coal dust is in suspension.

(e) Batteries contained in the surveying equipment will be changed out or charged in fresh air and not in the return.

(f) Qualified personnel who use surveying equipment will be properly trained to recognize the hazards and limitations associated with the use of nonpermissible surveying equipment.

(g) The nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be put into service until MSHA has inspected the equipment and determined that it is in compliance with all the terms and conditions in this petition.

Within 60 days after the Proposed Decision and Order (PDO) becomes final, the petitioner will submit proposed revisions for its approved 30 CFR part 48 training plan to the District Manager. The revisions will specify initial and refresher training regarding the terms and conditions in the PDO.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the existing standard.

Sheila McConnell,
Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (18–021)]

Notice of Intent To Grant Partially Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

ACTION: Notice of intent to grant partially exclusive patent license.


1. Wraps, films, and decals that can be applied to the exterior of vehicles with at least four wheels;
2. Wraps, films, and decals that can be applied to buildings, structures, or permanent improvements built upon or attached to real property; and
3. Coverings and insulations for electrical wiring and communications wiring in the following industries:
   a. Mining
   b. Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)

DATES: The prospective partially exclusive patent license may be granted unless, NASA receives written objections, including evidence and argument, no later than March 28, 2018 that establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements regarding the licensing of federally owned inventions as set forth in the Bayh-Dole Act and implementing regulations. Competing applications completed and received by NASA no later than March 28, 2018 will also be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated partially exclusive license. Objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available to the public for inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of intent to grant a partially exclusive patent license is issued in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(e) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i). The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The prospective exclusive license will comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Information about other NASA inventions available for licensing can be found online at http://technology.nasa.gov.

Mark P. Dvorscak,
Agency Counsel for Intellectual Property.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice: (18–020)]

NASA Advisory Council; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC).

DATES: Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 1:00–5:00 p.m.; and Thursday, March 29, 2018, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: NASA Headquarters, Program Review Center (PRC), Room
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Marla King, NAC Administrative Officer, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC 20546, (202) 358–1148 or marla.k.king@nasa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public up to the capacity of the meeting room. This meeting is also available telephonically and by WebEx. You must use a touch-tone phone to participate in this meeting. Any interested person may dial the Toll Number 1–312–470–0117 or Toll Free Number 888–603–9752 and then the numeric passcode 4107352, followed by the # sign, on both days.

Note: If dialing in, please “mute” your phone. To join via WebEx, the link is https://nasa.webex.com/. The meeting number on March 28 is 993 869 082 and the meeting password is P3uFaMc* (case sensitive); the meeting number on March 29 is 998 107 840 and the meeting password is Qpvktz@7 (case sensitive).

The agenda for the meeting will include reports from the following:

—Aeronautics Committee
—Human Exploration and Operations Committee
—Science Committee
—Technology, Innovation and Engineering Committee
—Ad Hoc Task Force on STEM Education

Attendees will be requested to sign a register and to comply with NASA Headquarters security requirements, including the presentation of a valid picture ID to NASA Security before access to NASA Headquarters. Foreign nationals attending this meeting will be required to provide a copy of their passport and visa in addition to providing the following information no less than 10 days prior to the meeting:

Full name; gender; date/place of birth; citizenship; passport information (number, country, telephone); visa information (number, type, expiration date); employer/affiliation information (name of institution, address, country, telephone); title/position of attendee. To expedite admittance, attendees that are U.S. citizens and Permanent Residents (green card holders) are requested to provide full name and citizenship status no less than 3 working days prior to the meeting. Information should be sent to Ms. Marla King via email at marla.k.king@nasa.gov. It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to the scheduling priorities of the key participants.

Patricia D. Rausch,
Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts
National Council on the Arts 193rd Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 10 (a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the National Council on the Arts will be held. Open to the public on a space available basis.

DATES: See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for meeting time and date. The meeting is Eastern time and the ending time is approximate.

ADDRESSES: Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, 1101 Sixth Street SW, Washington, DC 20024.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If, in the course of the open session discussion, it becomes necessary for the Council to discuss non-public commercial or financial information of intrinsic value, the Council will go into closed session pursuant to subsection (c)(4) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b, and in accordance with the July 5, 2016 determination of the Chairman. Additionally, discussion concerning purely personal information about individuals, such as personal biographical and salary data or medical information, may be conducted by the Council in closed session in accordance with subsection (c) (6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Any interested persons may attend, as observers, to Council discussions and reviews that are open to the public. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Beth Bienvenu, Office of Accessibility, National Endowment for the Arts, Constitution Center, 400 7th St. SW, Washington, DC 20506, 202/682–5733, Voice/T.T.Y. 202/682–5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

The upcoming meeting is:
National Council on the Arts 193rd Meeting

This meeting will be open.

Date and time: March 29, 2018; 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

From 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.—Opening remarks and voting on recommendations for grant funding and rejection, followed by updates from the Chairman. There also will be the following presentations (times are approximate): from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.—Presentation from Arena Stage (Edgar Dobie, Executive Director, Arena Stage); from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.—Presentation from Opera America (Marc Scorca, President/CEO, Opera America); from 10:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.—Presentation from League of American Orchestras (Jesse Rosen, President and CEO, League of American Orchestras); and from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.—Preview of Upcoming Meeting in Charleston, West Virginia (Randall Reid-Smith, Commissioner, Division of Culture and History.)

DATED: March 8, 2018.

Sherry P. Hale,
Staff Assistant, National Endowment for the Arts.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Meetings of Humanities Panel

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Humanities will hold twenty-six meetings of the Humanities Panel, a federal advisory committee, during April, 2018. The purpose of the meetings is for panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation of applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965.

DATES: See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for meeting dates. The meetings will open at 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn by 5:00 p.m. on the dates specified below.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at Constitution Center at 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20506, unless otherwise indicated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Voyatzis, Committee Management Officer, 400 7th Street SW,