

power circuit for its non-permissible deep well submersible pump that would: (i) Contain either a direct or derived neutral resistor at the source transformer or power center, and a grounding circuit originating at the grounded side of the grounding resistor extended along with the power conductors and serve as the grounding conductor for the frame of the pump; (ii) contain a grounding resistor that limits the ground fault current to not more than 15 amperes, and rated for the maximum fault current available and insulated from the ground for a voltage equal to the phase-to-phase voltage of the system; (iii) provide protection by suitable circuit breaker of adequate interrupting capacity with devices to provide protection against under voltage, grounded phase, short-circuit, and overload; (iv) contain a disconnecting device installed in conjunction with the circuit breaker to provide visual evidence that the power is disconnected; and (v) provide controls to shut the pumps down in low flow conditions. The petitioner states that the controls will monitor for low current which is an indication of low flow conditions; that a certified person will conduct weekly electrical checks; and that the monthly examination of electrical equipment required by 30 CFR 77.502 will include a functional test of the grounded phase protective devices to determine the proper operation and record. The results of the functional tests will be recorded in the approved "Examination of Electrical Equipment" record books. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

### 8. Cotter Corporation

[Docket No. M-2004-007-M]

Cotter Corporation, 7800 E. Dorado Place, Suite 210, Englewood, Colorado 80111 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.11055 (Inclined escapeways) to its C-JD-9 Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 05-03066) located in Montrose County, Colorado. The petitioner requests modification of the existing standard to permit the portable emergency hoisting facility (truck) to be stored in a safe area at the Nucla, Colorado office and yard and transported to the mine site when necessary for the emergency escape of the miners, and allow the provisions of 30 CFR 57.11050(b) to be used until the emergency hoisting facility is located over the borehole and ready to evacuate the miners. The petitioner has listed in this petition specific terms and conditions that will be applied when

the proposed alternative method is implemented. 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](mailto:comments@msha.gov), by fax at (202) 693-9441, or by regular mail to the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before August 20, 2004. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia this 15th day of July 2004.

**Marvin W. Nichols, Jr.,**

*Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 04-091]

### National Environmental Policy Act; Development of Advanced Radioisotope Power Systems

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Extension of the scoping period.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and NASA's policy and procedures (14 CFR subpart 1216.3), NASA announced its intent to conduct scoping and to prepare a Tier I Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the development of advanced Radioisotope Power Systems (RPSs) on April 22, 2004 in the **Federal Register** (69 FR 21867). This notice is to inform the public that the scoping period for the Advanced Radioisotope Power Systems EIS has been extended through July 30, 2004.

NASA, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), proposes to develop two types of advanced RPSs to satisfy a wide of range of future space exploration mission requirements. These advanced RPSs would be capable of functioning in the vacuum of space and in the environments encountered on the surfaces of the planets, moons

and other solar system bodies. These power systems would be based upon the General Purpose Heat Source (GPHS) previously developed by DOE and used in the Radioisotope Thermoelectric Generators for the Galileo, Ulysses, and Cassini missions. The advanced RPSs would be capable of providing long-term, reliable electrical power to spacecraft across the range of conditions encountered in space and planetary surface missions. The Tier I EIS will address in general terms the development and qualification for flight of advanced RPSs using passive or dynamic systems to convert the heat generated from the decay of plutonium to electrical energy, and research and development of technologies that could enhance the capability of future RPS systems. This development activity would include, but not necessarily be limited to: (1) New power conversion technologies to more efficiently use the heat energy from the GPHS module, and (2) improving the versatility of the RPS so that it would be capable of operating for extended periods both in the vacuum of space and in planetary atmospheres. For more detailed information see the original **Federal Register** notice cited above.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit comments on environmental concerns in writing on or before July 30, 2004, to assure full consideration during the scoping process.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Dr. George Schmidt, NASA Headquarters, Code S, Washington, DC 20546-0001. While hardcopy comments are preferred, comments may be sent by electronic mail to: [rpseis@nasa.gov](mailto:rpseis@nasa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. George Schmidt, NASA Headquarters, Code S, Washington, DC 20546-0001, by telephone at 202-358-0113, or by electronic mail at [rpseis@nasa.gov](mailto:rpseis@nasa.gov).

**Jeffrey E. Sutton,**

*Assistant Administrator for Institutional and Corporate Management.*

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## NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

### Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee Meetings (Teleconference)

*Time and Date:* 1 p.m. e.d.t., August 20, 2004.

*Place:* National Council on Disability, 1331 F Street, NW., Suite 850, Washington, DC.

**AGENCY:** National Council on Disability (NCD).

**Status:** All parts of this meeting will be open to the public. Those interested in participating in this meeting should contact the appropriate staff member listed below. Due to limited resources, only a few telephone lines will be available for the call.

**Agenda:** Roll call, announcements, reports, new business, adjournment.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Geraldine (Gerrie) Drake Hawkins, Ph.D., Program Analyst, NCD, 1331 F Street, NW., Suite 850, Washington, DC 20004; 202-272-2004 (voice), 202-272-2074 (TTY), 202-272-2022 (fax), [ghawkins@ncd.gov](mailto:ghawkins@ncd.gov).

**Cultural Diversity Advisory**

**Committee Mission:** The purpose of NCD's Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to NCD on issues affecting people with disabilities from culturally diverse backgrounds. Specifically, the committee will help identify issues, expand outreach, infuse participation, and elevate the voices of underserved and unserved segments of this nation's population that will help NCD develop federal policy that will address the needs and advance the civil and human rights of people from diverse cultures.

Dated: July 16, 2004.

**Ethel D. Briggs,**

*Executive Director.*

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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

### Proposed Collection, Comment Request, Analysis of Impact of Museum and Library Services

**AGENCY:** Institute of Museum and Library Services.

**ACTION:** Notice, request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Institute of Museum and Library Services, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3508 (2)(A)]. This pre-clearance comment opportunity helps to ensure that: requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The Institute

of Museum and Library Services is currently soliciting comments concerning anticipated analyses of the impact of museum and library services.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before September 20, 2004.

IMLS is particularly interested in comments that help the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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 collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to: Karen Motylewski, Research Officer, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Room 223, Washington, DC 20506. Ms Motylewski can be reached by fax: 202-606-0395; or by e-mail at [Kmotylewski@imls.gov](mailto:Kmotylewski@imls.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background:** The Institute of Museum and Library Services is charged with promoting the improvement of library and museum services for the benefit of the public. Through grantmaking and leadership activities, IMLS seeks to assure that libraries and museums are able to play an active role in cultivating an educated and engaged citizenry. IMLS builds the capacity of libraries and museums by encouraging the highest standards in management, public service, and education; leadership in the use of technology; strategic planning for results, and partnerships to create new networks that support lifelong learning and the effective management of assets.

According to its strategic plan, IMLS is dedicated to creating and sustaining a nation of learners by helping libraries and museum service their communities. IMLS believes that libraries and museums are key resources for

education in the United States and promotes the vision of a learning society in which learning is seen as a community-wide responsibility supported by both formal and informal educational entities.

### Current Actions

The reauthorization of the Museum and Library Services Act in 2003 creates new authority for IMLS to carry out and publish analyses of the impact of museum and library services. The Act stipulates that these analyses should be conducted in ongoing consultation with stakeholders including "State Library Administrative Agencies; state, regional, and national library and museum organizations and other relevant agencies."

The Act further states that these analyses "shall identify national needs for and trends of museum and library services provided with IMLS support, \* \* \* report on the impact and effectiveness of programs conducted with funds made available by the Institute in addressing such needs, \* \* \* and identify, and disseminate information on, the best practices of such program."

IMLS is developing a plan to address the requirements of the statute. As a first step, IMLS is requesting public comment to identify national needs for and trends in museum and library service. These comments will be used to identify areas in which analyses would be useful. The following questions are intended to assist stakeholders in identifying high priority areas that IMLS should explore through further research and study. Following this collection of public comment, IMLS will contact up to 50 key members of stakeholder groups for structured interviews regarding the list of possible topics for analysis. Both the public comment and results of the structured interviews will provide the foundation for IMLS to use in fulfilling this new requirement.

To comment please examine the following list. How would further exploration of these issues improve library and museum services in the United States? Which issues are of the greatest importance? Are there additional issues that should be added to the list?

A. How do changing community expectations impact library and museum services? How can libraries and museum respond to these expectations?

Representative issues:

- Altered patterns of information-seeking and learning.
- Changing educational patterns.