

Signed at Washington, DC, this 16th day of January, 2003.

**Elliott S. Kushner,**

*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

[NAFTA—7562]

#### Tritex Sportswear, Inc.; Altoona, PA; Notice of Termination of Investigation

Pursuant to Title V of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103-182) concerning transitional adjustment assistance, hereinafter called (NAFTA-TAA), and in accordance with Section 250(a), Subchapter D, Chapter 2, Title II, of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2273), an investigation was initiated on September 16, 2002, in response to a petition filed by the company on behalf of workers at Tritex Sportswear, Inc., Altoona, Pennsylvania.

The petitioner has requested that the petition be withdrawn. Consequently, further investigation in this case would serve no purpose, and the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 22nd day of January, 2003.

**Linda G. Poole,**

*Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

#### Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of existing safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

##### 1. Freeman United Coal Mining Company

[Docket No. M-2002-125-C]

Freeman United Coal Mining Company, P.O. Box 4630, Springfield, Illinois 62708 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1101-8(a) (Water sprinkler system; arrangement of sprinklers) at its Crown III Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 11-02632) located in Montgomery County, Illinois. The petitioner proposes to provide a

fireproof electrical enclosure and fire detection system in lieu of a sprinkler over the electrical control. The petitioner states that the Crown III Mine is a large underground mine employing three operating sections to develop entrees and rooms with remote control continuous miners and the belt system utilizes ten belt drives. The petitioner further states that: (i) The belt drives and electrical controls are ventilated with isolated intake air; (ii) the electrical control boxes do not contain flammable fluids or other flammable products and are fully enclosed with fireproof construction and are located at least two-feet from coal or other combustible material; and (iii) the electrical cables will conform with the requirements of part 18, and a heat sensor or CO monitor will be installed near the electrical control box. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

##### 2. Remington Coal Company, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2003-004-C]

Remington Coal Company, Inc., 430 Harper Park Drive, Beckley, West Virginia 25801 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1002-1 (Location of other electric equipment; requirements for permissibility) at its Stockburg No. 1 Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 46-08634) located in Kanawha County, West Virginia. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit the use a 2,400 volt Joy 14CM27 continuous mining machine instead of the 2,400 volt Joy 12CM27 continuous mining machine currently being used at the Stockburg No. 1 Mine. The petitioner has listed in this petition specific procedures that would be followed when implementing this alternative method. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

##### 3. Dakota Westmoreland Corporation

[Docket No. M-2003-005-C]

Dakota Westmoreland Corporation, P.O. Box 39, Beulah, North Dakota 58523-0039 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.405(b) (Performing work from a raised position; safeguards) at its Beulah Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 32-00043) located in Mercer County, North Dakota. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to allow an alternative method to permit its boom/mast machine to be raised or lowered during initial dragline assembly or disassembly

at construction sites. The petitioner proposes to raise or lower the boom/mast into position by using the on-board motor generator sets during assembly or disassembly of the draglines. The petitioner states that during construction, the machine will not move under its own power and will not perform mining operations. The procedure would be applicable only in instances of disassembly or major maintenance which require the boom to be raised or lowered and a written procedure would be developed and implemented by the mine operator or contractor, and the affected persons who have been trained on the requirements of the procedure. The petitioner also states that this procedure would only address installing/removing the booms on draglines utilizing the machines electrical on-board motor generator sets. The petitioner further states that this procedure does not replace other mechanical precautions or the requirements of the existing standard that is necessary to safely secure booms/masts during construction or maintenance procedures. The petitioner asserts that its proposed alternative method would not result in a diminution of safety to the miners but 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), 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 March 6, 2003. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia, this 30th day of January, 2003.

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

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

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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

### National Endowment for the Arts;

#### Partnerships Advisory Panel

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 Partnerships Advisory Panel (State Partnership Agreements), to the National Council on the Arts will be held on February 13-14, 2003. The panel will meet from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on February 13th and from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on February 14th in Room 716 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506.

This meeting will be open to the public on a space available basis. Topics will include review of the State Partnership Agreement and Regional Partnership Agreement applications, review of proposals for Challenge America Partnership funds, and discussion of guidelines and policy issues.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels that are open to the public, and, if time allows, may be permitted to participate in the panel's discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman and with the approval of the full-time Federal employee in attendance.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, (202) 682-5532, TDY-TDD (202) 682-5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, or call (202) 682-5691.

Dated: January 29, 2003.

**Kathy Plowitz-Worden,**

*Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations,  
National Endowment for the Arts.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

*Name:* Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (1173).

*Dates/Time:* February 20, 2003, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and February 21, 2003, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA, Room 1235S.

*Type of Meeting:* Open.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Margaret Tolbert, Executive Liaison, CEOSE, Office of Integrative Activities, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 292-8040.

*Minutes:* May be obtained from the Executive Liaison at the above address.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning broadening participation in science and engineering.

*Agenda:*

#### Thursday, February 20, 2003

8:30 a.m.

Welcome and approval of the June 2002 Minutes

Statement of Executive Liaison

Action on New Committee Members

Discussion of Committee Agenda and

Future Meeting Dates

Presentation and Discussion of the Math Science Partnerships Program

Discussion of Increasing the Number of

Doctoral Degrees in STEM Awarded to Persons from Underrepresented Groups

10:30 a.m.

Congressional Discussion

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CEOSE Report for 2004

2:45 p.m.

Report on Mentoring Conference

Report on BEST in Relationship to NSF

Sampling Designs for the 2003 Surveys of Scientists and Engineers

Plans for the 2004 Report on Women,

Minorities, and Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering

5 p.m.

Adjourn

#### Friday, February 21, 2003

8:30 a.m.

Unfinished Business

9 a.m.

Meeting with Dr. Rita Colwell, Director of NSF

10 a.m.

Continuation of Unfinished Business

1:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Dated: January 29, 2003.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### NSB Public Service Award Committee; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

*Name:* NSB Public Service Award Committee (5195).

*Date and Time:* Friday, February 28, 2003, 2 p.m.-3 p.m. EST.

*Place:* Teleconference meeting.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Mrs. Susan E. Fannoney, Executive Secretary, Room 1220, National

Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703/292-8096.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations in the selection of the NSB Public Service Award recipients.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate nominations as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The nominations being reviewed include information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute unwarranted invasions of personal privacy. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 29, 2003.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Proposal Review; Notice of Meetings

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces its intent to hold proposal review meetings throughout the year. The purpose of these meetings is to provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the NSF for financial support. The agenda for each of these meetings is to review and evaluate proposals as part of the selection process for awards. The majority of these meetings will take place at NSF, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

All of these meetings will be closed to the public. The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act. NSF will continue to review the agenda and merits of each meeting for overall compliance of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

These closed proposal review meetings will no longer be announced on an individual basis in the **Federal Register**. NSF intends to publish a notice similar to this on a quarterly basis. For an advance listing of the closed proposal review meetings that include the names of the proposal review panel and the time, date, place, and any information on changes, corrections, or cancellations, please visit the NSF Web site: <http://www.nsf.gov/>