petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit the use of a 2 x 3 foot diameter fiberglass overcast in the intake slope that is 20 feet in length. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

5. Little Eagle Coal Company

[Docket No. M-2003-066-C]

Little Eagle Coal Company, Route 16 Fola Road, Bickmore, West Virginia 25019 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.900 (Low- and medium-voltage circuits serving threephase alternating current equipment; circuit breakers) to its Little Eagle Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 46–08560) located in Clay County, West Virginia. The petitioner proposes to use a vacuum contactor in series with the circuit breaker to perform tripping tasks normally associated with the circuit breaker. The petitioner has listed in this petition for modification specific procedures that would be followed when using vacuum contactors. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

6. Canyon Fuel Company, LLC

[Docket No. M-2003-067-C]

Canvon Fuel Company, LLC, P.O. Box 1029, Wellington, Utah 84542 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (Air courses and belt haulage entries) to its Dugout Canyon Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 42-01890) located in Carbon County, Utah. The petitioner requests that its previous petition for modification, docket number M-2000-171-C, be amended, as it relates to twoentry longwall retreat mining, to add the following paragraph: "In the event hydrogen sulfide is encountered during the development phase of a longwall panel, the petitioner shall have the option of utilizing the conveyor belt entry as a neutral split of air during retreat mining operations. The belt air shall be coursed away from the longwall section, in lieu of 'point feeding' the intake air at the mouth of the section." The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

7. Dynatec Mining Corporation

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

Dynatec Mining Corporation, 2200 South 4000 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84120 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 57.22606(a) and (c) (Explosive materials and blasting units (III mines)) to its FMC No. 9 Ventilation Shaft Project (MSHA I.D. No 48–00152) located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The petitioner proposes to use electric detonators to initiate blasts but requests a modification of the existing standard to allow the use of nonel detonators to detonate the explosives in the blast holes. 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*, 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 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before November 6, 2003. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia, this 29th day of September, 2003.

Marvin W. Nichols, Jr.,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances. [FR Doc. 03–25410 Filed 10–6–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–43–P

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATES: 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., November 22, 2003; 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m., November 23, 2003

PLACE: Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington Virginia

STATUS: Parts of this meeting will be open to the public. The rest of the meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Reports from the Chairperson and the Executive Director, Committee Meetings and Committee Reports, Executive Session, Unfinished Business, New Business, Announcements, Adjournment

PORTIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Reports from the Chairperson and the Executive Director, Committee Meetings and Committee Reports, Unfinished Business, New Business, Announcements, Adjournment **PORTIONS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:** Executive Session

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mark S. Quigley, Director of Communications, National Council on Disability, 1331 F Street, NW, Suite 850, Washington, D.C. 20004; 202–272–2004 (Voice), 202–272–2074 (TTY), 202–272– 2022 (Fax), *mquigley@ncd.gov* (E-mail)

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Dated: October 2, 2003.

Ethel D. Briggs,

Executive Director.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Combined Arts 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 Combined Arts Advisory Panel, Arts Education section (Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth category) to the National Council on the Arts will be held on October 27–31, 2003 in Room 716 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100