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By order of the Commission.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board; Sunshine Act Meetings

The National Science Board, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n-5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Foundation; National Science Board.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, December 5, 2007, at 8:30 a.m.; and Thursday, December 6, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230. All visitors must report to the NSF visitor desk at the 9th and N. Stuart Streets entrance to receive a visitor's badge.

STATUS: Some portions open, some portions closed

Open Sessions

December 5, 2007

8:30 a.m.–9 a.m.
9 a.m.–9:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.–11 a.m.
11:30 a.m.–noon
1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
5 p.m.–5:15 p.m.

December 6, 2007

8:30 a.m.–9 a.m.
9 a.m.–10 a.m.
10 a.m.–10:45 a.m.
11 a.m.–noon
1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

Closed Sessions

December 5, 2007

11 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
3:30 p.m.–5 p.m.

December 6, 2007

10:45 a.m.–11 a.m.
1 p.m.–1:05 p.m.

1:05 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

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MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Wednesday, December 5, 2007

CPP Subcommittee on Polar Issues

Open Session: 8:30 a.m.–9 a.m.

- Approval of October Minutes.
- SOPI Chairman's Remarks.
- OPP Director's Report.
- Reports from Antarctica.

CPP Task Force on Sustainable Energy

Open Session: 9 a.m.–9:30 a.m.

- Task Force Co-Chairmen's Remarks.
- Discussion of the Sustainable Energy Background Paper.
- Discussion of the First Task Force Workshop.

Audit and Oversight Committee

Open Session: 9:30 a.m.–11a.m.

- Approval of Minutes of the October 2, 2007 Meeting.
- Committee Chairman's Opening Remarks.
- Chief Financial Officer's Update.
- Annual Financial Report.
- Report by NSF Advisory Committee on GPR Performance Assessment.
- NSF Human Capital Management Update.
- Audit of NSF Practices to Oversee and Manage Its Research Center Programs.
- Committee Chairman's Closing Remarks.

Closed Session: 11 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

- Pending Investigations.

CPP Task Force on International Science

Open Session: 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes for October 2007 Meeting.
- Task Force Chairman's Remarks.
- Review of Public Comments.
- Discussion of the Draft Task Force Report on International Science and Engineering Partnerships.

Committee on Programs and Plans (CPP)

Open Session: 1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes.
- Committee Chairman's Remarks.
- *Status Reports:*
 - Task Force on Transformative Research.
 - Task Force on International Science.
 - Subcommittee on Polar Issues.
 - Task Force on Sustainable Energy.

- *Discussion Item:* Board Policy on Recompensation of NSF Awards.
- *Discussion Item:* Facilities Operations and Management.
 - MREFC & Facilities Update.
 - NSF Background Information
- Relevant to NSB Reporting Actions:
 - NSF Support for Interdisciplinary Research.
 - NSF Pilot Program of Grants for New Investigators.
 - *NSB Information Item:* National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO).
 - *NSB Information Item:* National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON).
 - *NSB Information Item:* Global Environment for Network Innovations (GENI).

Closed Session: 3:30 p.m.–5 p.m.

- *NSB Action Item:* Atacama Large Millimeter Array (ALMA).
- *NSB Action Item:* Plant Science Cyber Infrastructure Collaborative (PSCIC).
- *NSB Action Item:* National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON).

Executive Committee

Open Session: 5 p.m.–5:15 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes for August 2007.
- Executive Committee Chairman's Remarks.
- Updates or New Business from Committee Members.

Thursday, December 6, 2007

CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing

Open Session: 8:30 a.m.–9 a.m.

- Task Force Chairman's Remarks.
- Report on Cost Sharing Roundtable Discussions at the 2007 National NSF EPSCoR Meeting and the NSF ERC 2007 Annual Meeting.
 - Discussion of Cost Sharing Roundtable Discussion at the NSF I/UCRC 2008 Annual Meeting.
 - Discussion of the December 7, 2007 Cost Sharing Roundtable Discussion at NSF.
 - Discussion of the Cost Sharing Survey.
 - Discussion of Task Force Timetable and Next Steps after February Delivery of Board. Report on Cost Sharing to Congress.

EHR Subcommittee on Science and Engineering Indicators

Open Session: 9 a.m.–10 a.m.

- Approval of October Minutes.
- Subcommittee Chairman's Remarks.
- Progress Report on *S&E Indicators* 2008.

- Update on *S&E Indicators* "Digest."
- *Science and Engineering Indicators* 2008 Companion Piece.

• *Science and Engineering Indicators* 2008 Rollout.

• *Science and Engineering Indicators* 2010.

- Presentation on Electronic "Digest."
- Subcommittee Chairman's Summary.

Committee on Strategy and Budget (CSB)

Open Session: 10 a.m.–10:45 a.m.

- Approval of CSB Minutes, October 3, 2007.

- Committee Chairman's Remarks.
- Recommendations on NSF Average Award Size, Duration, and Proposal Success Rate.

- Discussion of the Number of Proposal Submissions by a Single Institution or Principal Investigator.

- *Status Report*: CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing.

Closed Session: 10:45 a.m.–11 a.m.

- Status of NSF FY 2009 Budget Request.

Committee on Education and Human Resources (EHR)

Open Session: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

- Approval of October 2007 Minutes.
- Committee Chairman's Remarks.
- Update on NSF Implementation of Board STEM Education Guidance.

- Status of Subcommittee on Science and Engineering Indicators.

- Discussion: Preparing the Next Generation of STEM Innovators.

- Board Executive Officer's Report.

Plenary Executive Closed

Closed Session: 1 p.m.–1:05 p.m.

- Approval of October 2007 Minutes.

Plenary Closed

Closed Session: 1:05 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

- Approval of October 2007 Minutes.
- Awards and Agreements.
- Closed Committee Reports.

Plenary Open

Open Session: 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

- Approval of October 2007 Minutes.
- Resolution to Close February 2008 Meeting.

- Chairman's Report.
- Director's Report.

- Open Committee Reports.

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Executive Officer and Board Office Director.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 030-04781]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment to Byproduct Materials License No. 21-00182-03, for Unrestricted Release of the Pharmacia & Upjohn Company's Facilities in Kalamazoo, MI

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Issuance of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of a license amendment to Byproduct Materials License No. 21-00182-03. This license is held by Pharmacia & Upjohn Company, LLC (the Licensee), a subsidiary of Pfizer, Inc., and governs licensed activities at its 7000 Portage Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan site. Issuance of the amendment would authorize release of Building 172 and the adjoining North Tank Farm (the Facilities) for unrestricted use. Licensed activities will continue at other site locations.

The Licensee requested this action in a letter dated August 22, 2007. The NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this proposed action in accordance with the requirements of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), part 51 (10 CFR part 51). Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate with respect to the proposed action. The amendment will be issued to the Licensee following the publication of this FONSI and EA in the **Federal Register**.

II. Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed action would approve the Licensee's August 22, 2007, license amendment request, resulting in release

of the Facilities for unrestricted use. License No. 21-00182-03 was issued on April 24, 1958, pursuant to 10 CFR part 30, and has been amended periodically since that time. This license authorizes the Licensee to use byproduct materials for activities involving research and development. Amendment 21 issued on July 31, 1984, authorized the incineration of licensed materials in Building 172. The principal types of waste burned in the incinerator in Building 172 included pathologic wastes, trash, returned pharmaceuticals, organic process residues, waste solvents and laboratory chemicals. Some of this incinerated waste was contaminated with low levels of radioactive materials.

The Facilities are situated on a 1728 acre pharmaceutical complex consisting of multiple chemical and compound manufacturing structures including offices and pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities. Building 172 is a one story building of about 8500 square feet that is 24 feet in height which contains the incinerator, operating controls, emissions controls, office areas, and waste receipt, transfer and shipping areas. The incinerator is a rotary kiln that is 12 feet long and 5½ feet in diameter with a secondary combustion chamber that is 19 feet long and about 8 feet in diameter. The adjoining North Farm Area consists of three 10,000 gallon steel and carbon tanks used to store liquids prior to incineration. The pharmaceutical complex is located in a mixed residential, agricultural and commercial area.

The licensee ceased using the 10,000 gallon tanks to receive or store radioactive liquids in 1996 and ceased using the incinerator in Building 172 in December 2006. A facility historical site assessment and scoping surveys were performed in January 2007, while demolition and final status surveys of the Facilities were initiated in June 2007. Based on the Licensee's historical knowledge of the site and the conditions of the Facilities, the Licensee determined that only routine decontamination activities, in accordance with their NRC-approved, operating radiation safety procedures, were required. The Licensee was not required to submit a decommissioning plan to the NRC because worker cleanup activities and procedures are consistent with those approved for routine operations. The Licensee conducted surveys of the Facilities in June and July 2007 and provided information to the NRC to demonstrate that they meet the criteria in Subpart E of 10 CFR part 20 for unrestricted release.