

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the meeting of the National Science Board's (NSB) Nominating Committee (which is also referred to as the 'Elections Committee'), scheduled for April 27, 2006, having to do with nominees for the NSB's Chair, Vice Chair, and members of the Executive Committee, may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c) (2) and (6).

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