meeting will conclude with general discussion.

If, in the course of the open session discussion, it becomes necessary for the Council to discuss non-public commercial or financial information of intrinsic value, the Council will go into closed session pursuant to subsection (c)(4) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b. Additionally, discussion concerning purely personal information about individuals, submitted with grant applications, such as personal biographical and salary data or medical information, may be conducted by the Council in closed session in accordance with subsection (c)(6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Any interested persons may attend, as observers, Council discussions and reviews that are open to the public. 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, TTY–TDD 202/682–5429, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from the Office of Communications, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, at 202/682–5570.

Dated: June 19, 2006.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Panel Coordinator, Office of Guidelines and Panel Operations.

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## NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

# Notice of Consideration of Unsolicited Grant Proposals and Intent To Publish Regulations

AGENCY: National Institute for Literacy. SUMMARY: The Director provides through this notice information concerning the receipt by the National Institute for Literacy (the Institute) of four unsolicited grant proposals, the process under which the Institute will consider the proposals, the intention of the Institute to publish regulations to govern future grant competitions and consideration of future unsolicited grant proposals, and the intention of the Institute not to accept additional unsolicited grant proposals until final regulations have been published.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Hollis, Special Assistant to the Director, National Institute for Literacy, 1775 I Street, NW., Suite 730, Washington, DC 20006–2401, Telephone: (202) 233–2025, or via the Internet: *ehollis@nifl.gov.* 

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1– 800–877–8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (*e.g.*, Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Institute is authorized under 20 U.S.C. 9252(c)(1) to carry out a number of activities to improve and expand the system for the delivery of literacy services. To assist it in carrying out these activities, the Institute may award grants to individuals, public or private institutions, agencies, organizations, or consortia of such institutions, agencies, or organizations (20 U.S.C. 9252(c)(2)). In addition, the Institute is authorized under 20 U.S.C. 6367 to carry out information dissemination responsibilities with respect to scientifically based reading research.

In the past, the Institute, which is administered under the terms of an interagency agreement entered into by the Secretaries of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services (the Interagency Group), has adopted provisions of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) for purposes of grant competitions and grant awards. However, the Institute has determined that it would be beneficial for potential grantees to have regulations specifically applicable to the Institute's grants process. The Institute believes that having its own set of regulations would reflect the Institute's purposes more clearly and therefore provide better guidance to potential applicants and improve the overall efficiency and consistency of its grants management process. Therefore, the Institute is currently preparing regulations to govern future grant awards to authorized entities. In the meantime, the Institute has received four unsolicited proposals that are awaiting consideration. The Director does not wish to postpone the consideration of these proposals further; therefore, for the sole purpose of considering these unsolicited proposals, the Director adopts the regulations in part 75 of EDGAR (34 CFR part 75) applicable to unsolicited proposals, including 34 CFR 75.210(b), 75.211, 75.219, and 75.222. Finally, the Director is hereby providing notice that the Institute will accept no further submissions of unsolicited

proposals until it has prepared and published final regulations.

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#### Sandra Baxter,

Director, National Institute for Literacy. [FR Doc. E6–9835 Filed 6–21–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6055–01–P

# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-8903]

# Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment for Homestake Mining Company, Grants, NM

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ron Linton, Project Manager, Fuel Cycle Facilities Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Telephone: (301) 415–7777; fax number: (301) 415– 5955; e-mail: *rcl1@nrc.gov.* 

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Introduction

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) proposes to issue a license amendment for License Condition 35 (background water quality concentrations for ground water compliance monitoring), to Materials License SUA–1471, for the Homestake Mining Company (HMC), Grants, New