

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Bradley Carpenter, Code UG, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capability of the meeting room. Due to the increased security at NASA facilities, any members of the public who wish to attend this meeting of the Biological and Physical Research Advisory Committee must provide their name, date and place of birth, citizenship, social security number, or passport and visa information (number, country of issuance and expiration), business address and phone number, if any. This information is to be provided at least 72 hours (11 a.m. EDT on August 11, 2003) prior to the date of the public meeting. Identification information is to be provided to Dr. Bradley Carpenter at 202/358-0826 or via e-mail at bcarpenter@hq.nasa.gov. Failure to timely provide such information may result in denial of attendance. Photo identification may be required for entry into the building. Persons with disabilities who require assistance should indicate this in their message. Due to limited availability of seating, members of the public will be admitted on a first-come, first-serve basis. News media wishing to attend the meeting should follow standard accreditation procedures. Members of the press who have questions about these procedures should contact the NASA Headquarters newsroom (202/358-1600). The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Performance Measures

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

June W. Edwards,
*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (03-087)]

Notice of Prospective Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
ACTION: Notice of Prospective Patent License.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that the Keymaster Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation, has applied for an exclusive license to practice the inventions disclosed in NASA Case Nos. MFS-31898-1 entitled "Methods for Identification and Verification Using Vacuum XRF System" and MFS-31886-1 entitled "Methods for Identification and Verification Using Digital Equivalent Data System." Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Mr. James J. McGroary, Patent Counsel/LS01, Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, AL 35812. NASA has not yet made a determination to grant the requested license and may deny the requested license even if no objections are submitted within the comment period.

DATES: Responses to this notice must be received by August 14, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sammy A. Nabors, Technology Transfer Department/CD30, Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, AL 35812, telephone (256) 544-5226.

Dated: July 17, 2003.

Robert M. Stephens,
Deputy General Counsel.
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice: (03-085)]

Availability for Comment; Draft Test Protocol for Detecting Possible Biohazards in Martian Samples Returned to Earth

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
ACTION: Availability for comment.

SUMMARY: NASA has prepared a draft protocol for the testing and evaluation of samples that may be returned from Mars by future missions in its Mars exploration program. This protocol is designed to provide a model method whereby such samples can be tested for possible biohazards that could be present if life exists on Mars. The protocol has been prepared as a draft to guide the development of both a final protocol to accomplish biohazard and life-detection testing, and to aid in the eventual design of the facility or facilities that will be required to accomplish that testing. Public comment on this draft protocol is sought to provide for refinement of the draft and to provide information for future NASA planning efforts.

A Mars sample return mission is not currently scheduled or funded by NASA, but is being considered as one option in planning future pathways for the exploration of Mars. The draft protocol is a pre-decisional document with respect to planning for a future sample return mission.

This notice informs the public of the availability of the draft protocol for electronic distribution, and solicits public comment.

During the comment period, an electronic version (.pdf) of the NASA Conference Publication, "A Draft Test Protocol for Detecting Possible Biohazards in Martian Samples Returned to Earth," NASA/CP-2002-211842, is available via internet at <http://spacescience.nasa.gov/admin/pubs/marssamples/index.htm>, and a limited number of print copies (one per addressee until the supply is exhausted) is available by writing to the address below.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit comments on this document in writing on or before November 28, 2003, to assure full consideration during future planning for Mars exploration missions involving surface or subsurface sample return missions.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to Dr. John D. Rummel, NASA Headquarters, Code S, Washington, DC 20546-0001. Comments may also be sent by electronic mail to: marssamples@hq.nasa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. John D. Rummel, Code S, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC 20546-0001; 202-358-0702; electronic mail: marssamples@hq.nasa.gov.

John D. Rummel,
Planetary Protection Officer.
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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Plan for Collection of Meteorites Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, as Amended

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.
ACTION: Notice of availability of a plan for collection of meteorites; invitation for comments.

SUMMARY: On March 31, 2003, the National Science Foundation (NSF) issued a final rule that authorized the collection of meteorites in Antarctica for scientific purposes only. These regulations implement Article 7 of the

Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty and are issued pursuant to Section 6 of the Antarctic Conservation Act, as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996. The regulations require appropriate collection, handling, and curation of Antarctic meteorites to preserve their scientific value. Antarctic expeditions planning to collect meteorites in Antarctica are required to submit their plans for the collection, handling, and curation of the meteorites to the National Science Foundation. NSF is providing notice of availability of a meteorite collection plan and inviting comments on the plan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A meteorite collection plan has been received from Dr. Ralph Harvey of Case Western Reserve University. Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this plan by August 14, 2003. This plan may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address listed above.

Nadene G. Kennedy,
Permit Officer,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE: Weeks of July 28, August 4, 11, 18, 25, September 1, 2003.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of July 28, 2003

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of July 28, 2003.

Week of August 4, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of August 4, 2003.

Week of August 11, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of August 11, 2003.

Week of August 18, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of August 18, 2003.

Week of August 25, 2003—Tentative

Wednesday, August 27, 2003

9:30 a.m. Briefing on License Renewal Program, Power Uprate Activities, and High Priority Activities (Public Meeting) (Contact: Ho Nieh, 301-415-1721).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>

Week of September 1, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 1, 2003.

The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: David Louis Gamberoni (301) 415-1651. The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html>.

This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20555 (301-415-1969). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to dkw@nrc.gov.

Dated: July 24, 2003.

D.L. Gamberoni,

Technical Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

State of Wisconsin: Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority Within the State

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of agreement with the State of Wisconsin.

SUMMARY: On July 1, 2003, Dr. Nils J. Diaz, Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) signed an Agreement and on July 3, 2003, Governor Jim Doyle of the State of Wisconsin signed the Agreement as authorized by Section 274b of the Atomic Energy Act, as amended (Act). The Agreement provides for the Commission to discontinue its regulatory authority over source, byproduct materials as defined in Section 11e.(1) of the Act and special

nuclear materials (in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass) in the State of Wisconsin, and for Wisconsin to assume the regulatory authority. Under the Agreement, a person in Wisconsin possessing these materials is exempt from certain Commission regulations. The exemptions have been previously published in the **Federal Register** and are codified in the Commission's regulations as 10 CFR part 150. The Agreement is published here as required by Section 274e of the Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lloyd A. Bolling, Office of State and Tribal Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Telephone (301) 415-2327 or e-mail lab@nrc.gov.

The draft Agreement was published in the **Federal Register** for comment once a week for four consecutive weeks (*see, e.g.* 68 FR 17090, April 8, 2003) as required by the Act. The public comment period ended on May 8, 2003. A total of two comment letters were received and were considered by the NRC staff. After considering the comments, the request for an Agreement by the Governor of Wisconsin, the supporting documentation submitted with the request for an Agreement, and its interactions with the staff of the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Public Health, the NRC staff completed an assessment of the Wisconsin program. Based on the staff's assessment, the Commission determined on June 30, 2003, that the proposed Wisconsin program for the control of radiation hazards is adequate to protect public health and safety, and that it is compatible with the Commission's program.

The NRC maintains an Agency-wide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The documents may be accessed through the NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Copies of the comment analysis by the NRC staff, the staff assessment, and the Commission's decision are also available for public inspection in the NRC's Public Document Room—ADAMS Accession Numbers: ML031530264 and ML031810191. Copies of these documents may be