

use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before August 4, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Dr. Dee Ann Batten, Office of Policy and Evaluation, Merit Systems Protection Board, 1615 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20419.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Dr. Dee Ann Batten at (202) 653-6772, ext. 1411, or by e-mail to [deeann.batten@mspb.gov](mailto:deeann.batten@mspb.gov) (please put "Employee Survey" in the subject line of the message).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This study is being conducted under MSPB's statutory authority to "conduct, from time to time, special studies relating to the civil service and to other merit systems in the executive branch, and report to the President and to the Congress as to whether the public interest in a civil service free of prohibited personnel practices is being adequately protected." (section 1204, title 5 U.S.C.) In addition, the Code of Federal Regulations also describes the role of MSPB's Office of Policy and Evaluation as responsible for carrying out "the Board's statutory responsibility to conduct special reviews and studies of the civil service and other merit systems in the Executive Branch, as well as oversight reviews of the significant actions of the Office of Personnel Management." 5 CFR 1200.10(b)(6). The MSPB intends to ask for approval to collect information to support its study on Federal Telework. Respondents will be asked to complete a survey(s) about their experiences with and perceptions of Telework and other related topics about their organizations and careers.

*Burden Statement:* The reporting burden for the collection of information on this request is estimated to vary from 15 minutes to 30 minutes, with an average of 20 minutes, including time for reviewing instructions and completing and reviewing the collection of information. The respondents will be selected via stratified random sampling to facilitate representative samples of employees. We plan to survey 28,000 people with one response per person. We estimate the response rate to be 60 percent (16,800 total responses) resulting in an annual reporting burden of 5,544 hours (.33 hours × 16,800).

**William D. Spencer,**  
*Clerk of the Board.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Pub. L. 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by July 7, 2008. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-7405.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

#### Permit Application No. 2009-006

1. *Applicant:* Wayne Z. Trivelpiece, Antarctic Ecosystem Research Division, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA 92037

#### Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Take, Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASP), and Import into the USA. The applicant plans to enter the ASPA located on the Western Shore of Admiralty Bay, King George Island (ASP 129), and Lions Rump, King

George Island (ASP 151) to capture up to 1,000 chicks and 500 adult Adelie, Gentoo, Chinstrap penguins, Skuas, Sheathbill, Southern Petrel and Kelp Gull for banding, weighing, diet studies, collecting blood and gland oil samples, as well as attaching instruments (Tx's, PTT's, TDR's). The collection of samples and instrument readings are a continuation of the study of the behavioral ecology and population biology of the Adelie, Gentoo and Chinstrap penguins and the interactions among these species and their principal avian predators: Skuas, sheathbills, and giant petrels. All captured animals will be released.

#### Location

Western Shore of Admiralty Bay, King George Island (ASP 128) and Lions Rump, King George Island (ASP 151).

#### Dates

October 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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## NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

### Neighborworks® America; Thirtieth Annual Board of Directors Meeting; Sunshine Act

**TIME AND DATE:** 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 4, 2008.

**PLACE:** 1325 G Street NW., Suite 800, Boardroom, Washington, DC 20005.

**STATUS:** Open.

#### CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Erica Hall, Assistant Corporate Secretary, (202) 220-2376; [ehall@nw.org](mailto:ehall@nw.org).

#### AGENDA:

- I. Call To Order.
- II. Approval of the Minutes.
- III. Summary of the Audit Committee Actions.
- IV. Summary Report of the Corporate Administration Committee.
- V. Summary of the Finance, Budget and Program Committee Actions.
- VI. Edward M. Gramlich Fellowship in Community Development.
- VII. NHSA Interim Assessment Update (Executive Session).
- VIII. Financial Report.
- IX. Corporate Scorecard.
- X. Chief Executive Officer's Quarterly Management Report.