

Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that two meetings of the Combined Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts (Access and Heritage/Preservation categories) will be held at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20506 as follows:

*Dance:* November 5-7, 2001, Room 730. A portion of this meeting, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on November 7th, will be open to the public for policy discussion. The remaining portions of this meeting, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on November 5th-6th, and from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on November 7th, will be closed.

*Folk & Traditional Arts:* November 6-9, 2001, Room 716. A portion of this meeting, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on November 8th, will be open to the public for policy discussion. The remaining portions of this meeting, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on November 6th and 7th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on November 8th, and from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on November 9th, will be closed.

The closed portions of these meetings are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of May 22, 2001, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to (c)(4)(6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels that are open to the public, and, if time allows, may be permitted to participate in the panel's discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman and with the approval of the full-time Federal employee in attendance.

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, TDY-TDD 202/682-5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC, 20506, or call 202/682-5691.

Dated: October 11, 2001.

**Kathy Plowitz-Worden,**

*Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations,  
National Endowment for the Arts.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 94-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of permit modification received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Pub. L. 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of requests to modify permits issued 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 a requested permit modification.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Permit applications 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 (Public Law 95-541), has developed regulations that implement the "Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora" for all United States citizens. The Agreed Measures, developed by the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties, recommended establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Specially Protected Areas and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

*Description of Permit Modification Requested:* The Foundation issued a permit (2000-004) to Dr. Paul J.

Ponganis on September 21, 1999. The issued permit allows the applicant to capture up to 60 Emperor adults and 55 Emperor chicks for collection of various samples and application of various depth recorders, physiological recorders or video cameras to study the thermoregulation and underwater behavior of Emperor penguins.

The applicant requests a modification to his permit to allow access to Beaufort Island, Ross Sea, Antarctic Specially Protected Area No. 105 to perform a census at the Emperor penguin colony. Current satellite images and sea ice conditions extend further north and well beyond Beaufort Island than in previous seasons. These conditions offer a unique opportunity to census the Beaufort Island Emperor colony and compare that count with the aerial photo censuses taken over the past 15 years. Access will be via helicopter landing offshore on the sea ice and the visit is expected to require approximately 3 hours.

*Location:* ASPA 105—Beaufort Island, Ross Sea.

*Dates:* November 15, 2002 to February 28, 2002.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. STN 50-456 and STN 50-457]

### Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Exelon Generation Company, LLC (the licensee), to withdraw its August 2, 2001, application as supplemented by their letters dated August 6, 2001, and August 7, 2001, for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-72 and NPF-77 for the Braidwood Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, located in Will County, Illinois.

The proposed amendment would have revised the technical specification (TS), on an exigent basis, allowing the licensee to temporarily increase the average temperature limit of the UHS from 100 °F to 102 °F through September 30, 2001.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on August 15,