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Christian Marsh,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction Meeting

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction (ACEHR or Committee), will meet Monday, November 19, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time and Tuesday, November 20, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern time. The primary purpose of this meeting is to discuss engineering needs for existing buildings, to review the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) agency updates on their latest activities, and to gather information for the Committee's 2013 Annual Report of the Effectiveness of the NEHRP. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at <http://nehrrp.gov/>.

DATES: The ACEHR will meet on Monday, November 19, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Eastern time. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Eastern time. The meeting will be open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Portrait Room, Administration Building, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jack Hayes, National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Director, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8604. Dr. Hayes' email address is jack.hayes@nist.gov and his phone number is (301) 975-5640.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established in accordance with the requirements of Section 103 of the NEHRP Reauthorization Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108-360). The Committee is composed of 12 members appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected for their technical expertise and experience, established records of distinguished professional service, and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. In addition, the Chairperson of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) serves in an ex officio capacity on the Committee. The Committee assesses:

- Trends and developments in the science and engineering of earthquake hazards reduction;
- The effectiveness of NEHRP in performing its statutory activities;
- Any need to revise NEHRP; and
- The management, coordination, implementation, and activities of NEHRP.

Background information on NEHRP and the Advisory Committee is available at <http://nehrrp.gov/>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the ACEHR will meet Monday, November 19, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time and Tuesday, November 20, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern time. The meeting will be held in the Portrait Room, Administration Building, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. The primary purpose of this meeting is to discuss engineering needs for existing buildings, to review the NEHRP agency updates on their latest activities, and to gather information for the Committee's 2013 Annual Report of the Effectiveness of the NEHRP. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at <http://nehrrp.gov/>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's affairs are invited to request a place on the agenda. On November 20, 2012, approximately one-half hour will be reserved near the conclusion of the meeting for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements,

those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the ACEHR, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8604, via fax at (301) 975-4032, or electronically by email to info@nehrrp.gov.

All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting must register by 5:00 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, November 13, 2012, in order to attend. Please submit your full name, email address, and phone number to Michelle Harman. Non-U.S. citizens must also submit their country of citizenship, title, and employer/sponsor. Mrs. Harman's email address is michelle.harman@nist.gov and her phone number is (301) 975-5324.

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Willie E. May,

Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No. 120912441-2441-01]

National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (NCCoE)

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Information Technology Laboratory (ITL) invites interested U.S. companies to submit letters of interest in collaborating with NIST/ITL on an ongoing basis in the National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (NCCoE) through partnerships called "National Cybersecurity Excellence Partnerships" (NCEPs).

DATES: Letters of interest will be accepted on an ongoing basis. However, if NIST determines that letters of interest will no longer be accepted, NIST will publish the last date when letters will be accepted in a **Federal Register** notice.

ADDRESSES: Interested U.S. companies should send letters to Karen Waltermire via email at NCCoE@nist.gov; or via hardcopy to NCCoE, National Institute of Standards and Technology; 100

Bureau Drive; MS 2000; Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Waltermire via email at NCCoE@nist.gov; or telephone 301-975-4500. For additional information on NCCoE governance, business processes, and operational structure, visit the NCCoE Web site, at <http://csrc.nist.gov/nccoe>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NCCoE, hosted by NIST, is a public-private collaboration for accelerating the widespread adoption of integrated cybersecurity tools and technologies. The NCCoE's mission is to bring together experts from industry, government, and academia under one roof to develop practical, interoperable cybersecurity approaches that address the real world needs of complex Information Technology (IT) systems. By accelerating dissemination and use of these integrated tools and technologies for protecting IT assets, the NCCoE strives to enhance trust in U.S. IT communications, data, and storage systems, lower risk for companies and individuals in the use of IT systems, and encourage development of innovative, job-creating cybersecurity products and services.

As part of the NCCoE initiative, NIST/ITL intends to enter into partnerships, called "National Cybersecurity Excellence Partnerships" (NCEPs), with U.S. companies to collaborate on an ongoing basis in the NCCoE. Collaboration agreements will be based upon the statutory technology transfer authorities available to NIST, including the Federal Technology Transfer Act, 15 U.S.C. 3710a. NIST/ITL intends that NCEP collaborators will co-locate with ITL at the NCCoE at 9600 Gudelsky Drive Rockville, MD 20850 and will contribute to the development of the intellectual and physical infrastructure needed to support collaborative efforts among NIST and many sources of security capabilities, including users and vendors of products and services, on holistic approaches to resolve cybersecurity challenges.

Approaches to resolving cybersecurity challenges will be addressed at the NCCoE through individual "use cases," a standard tool used by software engineers to define specific function requirements of a system from the point of view of a user trying to accomplish a specific task. The "use cases" developed by NCCoE will incorporate the IT security needs of specific communities or sectors. Examples of candidate sectors include health care, finance and utilities. The cybersecurity challenges that will be the subject of the "use cases" will be selected by NIST

through workshops with input from broad groups of stakeholders, as well as public feedback provided via collaborative internet participation. Collaborative participation may be accessed via links from <http://nccoe.nist.gov/>. Opportunities to participate in individual "use cases" will be announced in the **Federal Register** and will be open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. NIST/ITL envisions that the NCCoE will be capable of supporting multiple simultaneous "use cases" in various stages. NCEP collaborators will neither be obligated to participate in a given "use case," nor will they be guaranteed participation in a given "use case," but they will be given priority for participation in each "use case" only for their resources that are already onsite at the NCCoE and for components that are interoperable with those onsite resources, within the process defined for that "use case" as announced in the **Federal Register**.

NCEP collaborators selected to participate in a given "use case" may contribute, but will not be required to contribute, resources in addition to those contributed through their NCEP agreement. However, priority participation in a "use case" will be granted only for resources relevant to the "use case" that are already onsite in the NCCoE and components that are interoperable with those onsite resources. Through their collaboration agreements with NIST/ITL, NCEP collaborators will agree that resources contributed to the NCCoE initiative will be available to all "use case" participants, as determined by NIST. Through individual "use case" consortium agreements, all "use case" participants, including NIST, NCEP collaborators and others, will agree that successful solutions to a NCCoE "use case" will be thoroughly documented and shared publicly, in order to encourage the rapid adoption of comprehensive cybersecurity templates and approaches that support automated and trustworthy e-government and e-commerce.

Each NCEP will be between NIST and a U.S. company. It is anticipated that NCEP agreements will be established for a three-year period, with renewal subject to the requirements and interests of the collaborator and NIST/ITL.

Interested U.S. companies are invited to submit a letter of interest that contains sufficient information for NIST/ITL to objectively determine whether the proposed collaboration is feasible, relevant to the NCCoE mission to foster the rapid adoption and broad deployment of integrated cybersecurity

tools and techniques that enhance consumer confidence in U.S. information systems, and has potential to advance the state of cybersecurity practice. Companies whose proposed collaborations are determined by NIST/ITL to meet all three criteria will be invited to enter into negotiations for a cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) with NIST/ITL. Companies whose letters of interest contain insufficient information for NIST/ITL to make a determination as to whether the proposed collaboration meets all three criteria, and companies whose proposed collaboration is determined by NIST/ITL not to meet all three criteria, will be notified in writing by NIST/ITL.

Dated: October 12, 2012.

Willie E. May,

Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of prospective grant of exclusive patent license.

SUMMARY: This is a notice in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(e) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) that the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST"), U.S. Department of Commerce, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license in the United States of America, its territories, possessions and commonwealths, to NIST's interest in the invention embodied in U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61,623/957 titled "Highly Selective Gallium Nitride Nanowire/Titanium Dioxide-Nanocluster Hybrid Sensors for Detection of Benzene and Related Environmental Pollutants," NIST Docket No. 11-019 to the University of Maryland, having a place of business at 0133 Cole Student Activities Building, College Park MD 20742-1001. The grant of the license would be for all fields of use.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Terry Lynch, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Technology Partnerships Office, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2200, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, (301) 975-2691, terry.lynch@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The prospective exclusive license will be