

package being rejected. The nomination package must be submitted in the following order and include:

(1) Letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (*i.e.*, specific attributes, including military service, if applicable, that qualifies the nominee for service in this capacity)

(2) Statement from the nominee indicating willingness to regularly attend and participate in Committee meetings;

(3) Nominee's contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone number(s), and email address;

(4) Nominee's curriculum vitae or resume;

(5) Summary of the nominee's experience and qualifications relative to the experience listed above;

(6) Nominee biography;

(7) Provide a summary of the Veterans Service Organization's (VSO) national employment program: To be considered a national employment program, the VSO must offer nationwide access to employment resources for veterans seeking employment.

(8) Recognition as a VSO accredited by the Department of Veterans Affairs through the Office of the General Counsel, listed on this site: <https://www.va.gov/ogc/apps/accreditation/index.asp>.

(9) Statement that the nominee has no apparent conflicts of interest that would preclude membership.

(10) An affirmative statement that the nominee is not a federally registered lobbyist, and that the nominee understands that, if appointed, the nominee will not be allowed to continue to serve as an Advisory Committee member if the nominee becomes a federally registered lobbyist.

Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee will be reimbursed for per diem and travel for attending in-person Committee meetings. The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of its Federal advisory committees is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented. Every effort is made to ensure that a broad representation of geographic areas, gender, racial and ethnic minority groups, and the disabled are given consideration for membership. Appointment to this Committee shall be made without discrimination because of a person's race, color, religion, sex (including gender identity, transgender status, sexual orientation, and pregnancy), national origin, age, disability, or genetic information. An ethics review is conducted for each selected nominee.

Signed at Washington, DC, on July 29th, 2024.

James D. Rodriguez,
Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a 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 in 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 September 4, 2024. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314 or ACApermits@nsf.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Titmus, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address, 703-292-4479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541, 45 CFR 670), 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 as requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

Permit Application: 2025-010

1. *Applicant:* Daniel Costa, 130 MacAlister Way, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Take, Harmful Interference,

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Area, Import into USA, Export from USA. The applicant seeks an ACA permit in association with research on the foraging ecology of Weddell seals. The applicant would capture, weigh, measure, sample, and tag up to 25 adult Weddell seals. Additionally, up to 10 Crabeater seal adults, up to 5 Ross seal adults, up to 5 Leopard seal adults, and up to 5 Elephant seal adults would be captured, weighed, measured, sampled, and tagged. Seals would be chemically immobilized using sedatives including telazol, ketamine-diazepam, ketamine-midazolam, and butorphanol-midazolam during handling. This approach has been used during previous work in the Ross Sea, and is currently permitted under a NMFS Marine Mammal permit valid until November 30, 2026. Samples taken would include whiskers, blood, muscle and blubber biopsies. Seals would be flipper tagged and instrumented with a satellite data logger, total handling time would be under 1 hour per animal. Work would be conducted in ASPA 124—Cape Crozier, as well as ASPA 105—Beaufort Island, ASPA 116—New College Valley, ASPA 121—Cape Royds, ASPA 155—Cape Evans, and ASPA 157—Backdoor Bay.

Location: ASPA 105—Beaufort Island, McMurdo Sound, Ross Sea; ASPA 116—New College Valley, Caughley Beach, Cape Bird, Ross Island; ASPA 121—Cape Royds, Ross Island; ASPA 124—Cape Crozier, Ross Island; ASPA 155—Cape Evans, Ross Island; ASPA 157—Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds, Ross Island.

Dates of Permitted Activities: October 1, 2024—September 30, 2024.

Kimiko S. Bowens-Knox,

Program Analyst, Office of Polar Programs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a 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 in 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 September 4, 2024. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314 or ACApermits@nsf.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541, 45 CFR part 671), 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 as requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

Permit Application: 2025-009

1. *Applicant:* Chris Linder, Potomac MD, 20854

Activity for Which Permit is Requested: Waste Management. The applicant seeks and Antarctic Conservation Act permit to fly a small battery-operated remotely piloted aircrafts (RPAS) to take scenic photos and film of the Antarctic. The RPAS would not be flown over concentrations of birds or mammals or over Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The RPAS would only be flown by the applicant who has extensive piloting experience in fair weather conditions. Several measures would be taken to prevent against loss of the RPAS. The applicant is seeking a Waste Permit to cover any accidental releases that may result from flying a UAV.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula Region.

Dates of Permitted Activities: January 14, 2025–January 30, 2025.

Kimiko S. Bowens-Knox,

Program Analyst, Office of Polar Programs.
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2023-0111]

Interim Staff Guidance: Use of the Decommissioning Trust Fund During Operations for Major Radioactive Component Disposal

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Final guidance; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Interim Staff Guidance (ISG) REFS-ISG-2024-01, “Use of the Decommissioning Trust Fund During Operations for Major Radioactive Component Disposal.” The purpose of this ISG is to provide the NRC staff’s regulatory position to licensees of nuclear power reactors regarding the use of funds from the decommissioning trust fund (DTF) dedicated to the radiological decommissioning of a reactor facility for the disposal of major radioactive components (MRCs) while the facility is in an operational status. This final ISG may be used in connection with requests for exemption from NRC regulations related to the withdrawal of funds from reactor DTFs.

DATES: This guidance is effective on September 4, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2023-0111 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2023-0111. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Stacy Schumann; telephone: 301-415-0624; email: Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, at 301-415-4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The ISG, REFS-ISG-2024-01 on the “Use of the Decommissioning Trust Fund During Operations for Major Radioactive

Component Disposal” is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML24114A263.

- *NRC’s PDR:* The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shawn Harwell, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-1309; email: Shawn.Harwell@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On June 21, 2023, the NRC issued a **Federal Register** notice (88 FR 40337) soliciting public comment on its draft ISG, “Use of the Decommissioning Trust Fund During Operations for Major Radioactive Component Disposal.” The NRC received comments from Lili Lamar Shari Laskowitz, by letter dated August 20, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23236A525), Paul Saunders, by letter dated June 29, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23181A049), Lili Lamar Zucker Ashley Humphries, by letter dated August 20, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23236A527), John J. Sipos, by letter dated September 13, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23262B451), the Appalachian Compact Commission, by letter dated July 28, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23236A522), the Nuclear Energy Institute, by letter dated August 21, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23236A529), EnergySolutions, by letter dated August 21, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23236A528) and from Constellation Energy Generation, LLC, by letter dated August 21, 2023 (ADAMS Accession No. ML23236A531). No other comments were submitted. The NRC staff considered those comments in developing the final version of the ISG. The staff’s responses to the comments are provided in Appendix A, “Disposition of Public Comments,” of the final ISG.

This ISG is intended to provide clarifying guidance to facilitate stakeholder understanding of the NRC’s position on the use of the DTF during operations for MRC disposal. The NRC’s reactor licensing regulations in part 50 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), “Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization