

the instructions contained in the award document.

#### *Name Check Reviews*

All for-profit and non-profit applicants will be subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal if any key individuals associated with the applicant have been convicted of or are presently facing, criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management honesty or financial integrity.

#### *False Statements*

Applicants are reminded that a false statement may be grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by fine or imprisonment.

#### *Delinquent Federal Debts*

No award of Federal funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until either:

1. The delinquent account is paid in full;
2. A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received; or
3. Other arrangements satisfactory to DoC are made.

#### *No Obligation for Future Funding*

If an application is accepted for funding, DoC has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award, increased funding, or extending the period of performance is at the total discretion of NIST.

#### *Federal Policies and Procedures*

Recipients and subrecipients under the Fire Research Grants Program are subject to all applicable Federal laws and Federal and Departmental policies, regulations and procedures applicable to Federal financial assistance awards. The Fire Research Grant Program does not directly affect any state or local government. Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

#### *Purchase of American-Made Equipment and Products*

Applicants are hereby notified that they are encouraged, to the greatest extent practicable, to purchase American-made equipment and products with funding provided under this program.

#### *Indirect Costs*

The total dollar amount of the indirect costs proposed in an application under this program must not exceed the indirect cost rate negotiated and approved by a cognizant Federal agency prior to the proposed effective date of the award or 100 percent of the total proposed direct cost dollar amount in the application, whichever is less.

#### *Executive Order Statement*

This funding notice was determined to be "not significant" for purposes of E.O. 12866.

Dated: February 26, 1998.

**Robert E. Hebner,**

*Acting Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Government Owned Inventions Available for Licensing

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Government owned inventions available for licensing.

**SUMMARY:** The inventions listed below are owned in whole or in part by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce. The Department of Commerce's ownership interest in the inventions is available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of Federally funded research and development.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Industrial Partnerships Program, Building 820, Room 213, Gaithersburg, MD 20899; Fax 301-869-2751. Any request for information should include the NIST Docket No. and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** NIST may enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement ("CRADA") with the licensee to perform further research on the invention for purposes of commercialization. The inventions available for licensing are:

*NIST Docket Number:* 96-050US.

*Title:* Implementation of Role-Based Access Control in Multi-Level Secure Systems.

*Abstract:* Role-based access control (RBAC) is implemented on a multi-level secure (MLS) system by establishing a relationship between privileges within the RBAC system and pairs of levels and compartments within the MLS system. The advantages provided by RBAC, that is, reducing the overall number of connections that must be maintained, and, for example, greatly simplifying the process required in response to a change of job status of individuals within an organization, are then realized without loss of the security provided by MLS. A trusted interface function has been developed to ensure that the RBAC rules permitting individuals access to objects are followed rigorously, and provides a proper mapping of the roles to corresponding pairs of levels and compartments.

*NIST Docket Number:* 96-052US.

*Title:* Process for the Enactment of Workflow Using Role-Based Access Control.

*Abstract:* A workflow sequence specified by a process definition is managed by a workflow management system which enacts each segment in the order specified by that process definition. Role-based access control (RBAC) is used to define membership of individuals in groups, i.e., to assign individuals to roles, and to then activate the roles with respect to the process at appropriate points in the sequence. Any individual belonging to the active role can perform the next step in the business process. Changes in the duties and responsibilities of individuals as they change job assignments are greatly simplified, as their role memberships are simply reassigned; the workflow process is unaffected.

*NIST Docket Number:* 97-017US.

*Title:* Domain Engineered Ferroelectric Optical Radiation Detector.

*Abstract:* The invention uses electric field poling at room temperature to selectively reverse the direction of the spontaneous polarization in a z-cut LiNbO<sub>3</sub> electret to produce a bicell pyroelectric detector. Microphonic noise that is typical of monocell pyroelectric detectors is reduced in the present device. Investigation of the pyroelectric electret geometry and the vibration modes of the detector assembly may lead to designs with even greater microphonic suppression. More complicated domain reversal patterns may accommodate refined detector designs and could be used to create multi-element sensors.

*NIST Docket Number:* 97-021US.

*Title:* Temperature Calibration Wafer for Rapid Thermal Processing Using Thin-Film Thermocouples.

**Abstract:** This invention enables the measurement of temperature and the calibration of temperature measurements in rapid thermal processing tools for silicon wafer processing to a greater accuracy than previously possible. The invention is a device which is a calibration wafer of novel construction and capabilities. The calibration wafer is comprised of an array of junctions of thin film thermocouples which traverse the silicon wafer (typically 200 mm in diameter) and are welded to thermocouple wires of the same composition as the thin films. The advantages of very low mass thin-film thermocouples in making these measurements are greatest under the extremely high heat flux conditions present in rapid thermal processing tools (100 w/cm<sup>2</sup>). In order to achieve these measurements with thin-film thermocouples at temperatures ranging up to 900 degrees celcius a novel approach was taken in the design and fabrication of the wafer including the incorporation of an adhesion film for the thermoelements, diffusion barriers, and high temperature dielectric insulators.

Dated: February 26, 1998.

**Robert E. Hebner,**

*Acting Deputy Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Public Workshop; Localized Depletions of Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of workshop.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces a workshop to review evidence for fishery-induced localized depletions of Atka mackerel in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Island region and to consider fishery management alternatives to prevent such depletions and their potential impact on foraging by the endangered western population of Steller sea lions.

**DATES:** The workshop is scheduled as follows:

March 10, 1998, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Seattle, WA.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, (Room 2143, Building 4), 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Seattle, WA 98115.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tim Ragen, 907-586-7248.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Fishing for Atka mackerel in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands region may result in the localized depletion of this species. Atka mackerel is a prey species of the endangered western population of Steller sea lions, and such depletions may impede sea lion recovery if they affect the foraging success of young sea lions, in particular.

Dated: February 25, 1998.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Modernization Transition Committee (MTC); Notice of Public Meeting

**Action:** Notice of Public Meeting.

**Time and Date:** March 18, 1998 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

**Place:** This meeting will take place at the Silver Spring Holiday Inn, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

**Status:** The meeting will be open to the public. The time between 10:30 a.m. and noon will be set aside for oral comments or questions from the public and approximately 50 seats will be available on a first-come first-served basis.

**Matters To Be Considered:** This meeting will cover: Consultation on Astoria, Oregon and Lexington, Kentucky Automation and Closure Certifications; NWS updates on Evansville, Indiana and Victoria, Texas; report by the FAA on ASOS reassessment; and a report on the NWS Modernization status.

**Contact Person for More Information:** Mr. Nicholas Scheller, National Weather Service, Modernization Staff, 1325 East-West Highway, SSMC2, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. Telephone: (301) 713-0454.

Dated: February 26, 1998.

**Nicholas R. Scheller,**

*Manager, National Implementation Staff.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Council will hold meetings of its Scientific and Statistical Committee, in Honolulu, HI. **DATES:** The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) meeting will be held on March 24-26, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Council office conference room, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, Hawaii; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

**Council address:** Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The SSC will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on: a draft amendment for an area closure for large pelagic vessels in the American Samoa exclusive economic zone; a draft comprehensive amendment (covering all fishery management plans (FMP) to implement new Sustainable Fishery Act requirements (bycatch, fishing sectors, fishing communities, overfishing, Essential Fish Habitat (EFH), including research needs and priorities necessary to carry out the Council's EFH management mandate, and updates of National Environmental Policy Act requirements); National Vessel and Fisheries Information Systems; Federal management options to restore overfished Main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) onaga and ehu; draft island-area modules for the 1997 bottomfish annual report, including improvements to the report and reconsideration of geographic reporting of overfishing indicator; the draft 1997 Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) lobster annual report; the addition of new areas (Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and U.S. Possessions) to Permit Area 3 through a possible framework amendment; review of Marine Conservation Plans (by island area) and the Sustainable Fisheries Fund.