

workgroups, i.e. Printing, Petroleum, and Metal Finishing.

- Representation from our partners in actions outlined in the Sector Based Environmental Protection Action Plan.
- Representation from a broad range of EPA stakeholder groups which have interest and experience in dealing with sector issues, including but not limited to business/industry, state/local/tribal governments, national and local environmental, environmental justice, and labor groups.
- Senior level representatives with decision-making authority for their organization.
- Representatives with experience working collaboratively with stakeholder groups in addition to their own.

Nominations for membership must include a resume and short biography describing the educational and professional qualifications of the nominee and the nominee's current business address and daytime telephone number. Nominees invited to participate will receive an invitation from EPA's Deputy Administrator.

For further information, please contact Ms. Kathleen Bailey, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Reinvention, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, MC 1802, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. Phone: 202/260-3413 E-mail: bailey.kathleen@epa.gov.

Dated: January 25, 1999.

**Kathleen Bailey,**

*Designated Federal Officer.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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**Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability**

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 OR (202) 564-7153.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed January 25, 1999 Through January 29, 1999 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9

EIS No. 990027, Draft EIS, BLM, NM, Bisti/De-Na-Zin Wilderness Oil and Gas Development, To Drill 13 Oil and Gas Wells on Two Leases, Permit to Drill and Right-of-Way Permit, San Juan Counties, MN, Due: April 30, 1999, Contact: Lee C. Otteni (505) 599-8990.

EIS No. 990028, Draft EIS, COE, NB, Platte West Water Production Facilities, Construct a Drinking Supply and Treatment Facility, Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha, Douglas, Saunders and Sarpy Counties, NB, Due: March 26, 1999, Contact: Mike Neuzil (402) 221-4606.

EIS No. 990029, Draft EIS, FAA, OH, Toledo Express Airport (TOL), Proposed Noise Compatibility Plan Air Traffic Actions and Proposed Aviation Related Industrial Development, Airport Layout Plan, Funding, Lucas County, OH, Due: March 22, 1999, Contact: Wally Welter (847) 294-8091.

EIS No. 990030, Final EIS, IBR, CA, San Joaquin River Agreement Project, Implementation of the Meeting Flow Objectives for 1999-2010, Vernalis Adaptive Management Plan, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Madera, Merced, Fresno and Tuolumne Counties, CA, Due: March 08, 1999, Contact: Michael Delamore (209) 487-5039.

EIS No. 990031, Draft Supplement, FHW, WV, WV-9 Transportation Corridor, Improvements from Martinsburg to Charles Town, Updated and Additional Information, Berkeley, Jefferson and Morgan Counties, WV, Due: March 31, 1999, Contact: David A. Leighow (304) 346-5928.

EIS No. 990032, Final EIS, USA, GA, U.S. Army/Fort Benning and The Consolidated Government of Columbus Proposed Land Exchange, Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties, GA, Due: March 08, 1999, Contact: John Brent, (706) 545-4766.

EIS No. 990033, Draft EIS, FHW, FL, St. Augustine Bride of Lions (SR-AIA) Rehabilitating or Replacing the Existing Two Lane Bridge, Crossing of the Matanzas River/Intracoastal Waterway, US Coast Guard Permit, NPDES and COE Nationwide Permits, St. Augustine, St. John County, FL, Due: March 22, 1999, Contact: Mark P. Bartlett (850) 942-9598.

EIS No. 990034, Final EIS, USN, HI, Barbers Point Naval Air Station, Disposal and Reuse of Land Facilities, HI, Due: March 08, 1999, Contact: Lon (808) 471-9338.

EIS No. 990035, Final EIS, AFS, UT, Pine Tract Project, Implementation, Coal Lease Tract (UTU-76195); Modification to Federal Coal Lease (U-63214) Quitchupah Lease) and Permit Amendment Application to Subside Box Canyon, Manti-La Sal National Forest, Ferron/Price Ranger District, Emery and Sevier Counties, UT, Due: March 8, 1999, Contact: Liane Mattson (435) 637-2817.

EIS No. 990036, Final EIS, COE, AK, Beaufort Sea Oil and Gas Development Northstar Project, Implementation, NPDES Permit, Sea Island, Alaskan Beaufort Sea, Offshore Marine Environment and Onshore Northslope of Alaskan Coastal Plain, AK, Due: March 08, 1999, Contact: Timothy R. Jennings (907) 753-2716.

**Amended Notices**

EIS No. 990015, Final EIS, FAA, NY, Terminal Doppler Weather Radar (TDWR) Installation and Operation, Serve the John F. Kennedy International Airports (JFK) and La Guardia (LGA), Site Specific, Air Station Brooklyn, Kings County, NY, Due: March 01, 1999, Contact: Jerome D. Schwartz (202) 267-9841.

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EIS No. 990016, Final EIS, IBR, WA, programmatic EIS—Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement (Phase 2) Project, Implementation, Benton, Yakima and Kittitas Counties, WA, Due: March 01, 1999, Contact: Ms. Lola Sept (208) 378-5032.

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EIS No. 990018, Legislative Final EIS, USN, NV, Fallon Naval Air Station, Renewal of the B-20 Land Withdrawal, City of Fallon, Churchill County, NV, Due: March 01, 1999, Contact: Sam Dennis (650) 244-3007.

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EIS No. 990019, Final Supplement, BLM, Co, Glenwood Springs Resource Area, Resource Management Plan and Wilderness Recommendations, Implementation and Recommendations, Garfield, Mesa, Routt, Eagle, and Pitkin Counties, CO, Due: March 01, 1999, Contact: Steve Moore (970) 947-2800.

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EIS No. 9990020, Draft EIS, TVA, TN, GA, Peaking Capacity Additions, Construction and Operation of Natural Gas-Fired Combustion Turbines, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits; Three Sites Proposed: Colbert Fossil Plant, Colbert County, AL, Gallatin Fossil Plant, Sumner County, TN and Johnsonville Fossil Plant, Humphreys County, TN, Due: March 15, 1999, Contact: Gregory L. Askew, P.E. (423) 632-6418.

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EIS No. 990022, Final EIS, BLM, AK, Squirrel River Wild and Scenic River Suitability Study, Designation and Non-Designation, National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, AK, Due:

March 01, 1999, Contact: Lon Kelly (907) 474-2368.

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EIS No. 990024, Final EIS, GSA, VA, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) Consolidation, Acquisition of 2.4 million Rentable Square Feet with a 20-year Lease Term, Three Possible Sites: Crystal City, Carlyle and Eisenhower Avenue, VA, Due: March 01, 1999, Contact: Carl Witners (202) 401-1025.

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EIS No. 990025, Draft EIS, UMC, AZ, Yuma Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS), To Improve Ordnance Handling and Storage, Construct a new Combat Aircraft Loading Area (CALA); New Station Ordnance Area and Relocation of MCAS Yuma, AZ, Due: March 15, 1999, Contact: Richard Samrah (520) 341-3163.

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EIS No. 990026, Draft EIS, AFS, ID, WA, Douglas-fir Beetle Project, Proposal To Harvest Tree, Regenerated Forest, Aquatic Restoration and Fuels Reduction, Idaho Panhandle National Forest, Coeur d'Alene River and Priest Lake Ranger District and Colville National Forest, Newport Ranger District, Kootenai, Shoshone and Bonner Counties, ID and Pend Orielle County, Wa, Due: March 16, 1999, Contact: David J. Wright (208) 664-2318.

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EIS No. 908468, Draft EIS, AFS, OR, Pelican Butte Ski Area Master Development Plan, Implementation, Winema National Forest, Klamath Ranger District, Klamath County, OR, Due: February 26, 1999, Contact: Edward Sheldal (202) 523-0163.

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Dated: February 2, 1999.

**William D. Dickerson,**

*Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6231-4]

### Issuance of an Emergency Ocean Dumping Permit to the National Science Foundation for Disposal of an Ice Pier From Its Base at McMurdo Station, Antarctica

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of permit issuance.

**SUMMARY:** On February 1, 1999, EPA issued an emergency ocean dumping permit to the National Science Foundation (NSF) to transport an existing ice pier from its base at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, and dispose of it in the waters of McMurdo Sound. The emergency permit was issued to allow NSF to remove the existing pier and to build a new one. The existing pier poses a substantial and unacceptable safety hazard to human life. Minimal adverse environmental impact from the disposal of the ice pier is expected. EPA is publishing the emergency permit for the public's information.

**DATES:** The permit was effective on February 1, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written correspondence may be sent to: Dave Redford, Acting Chief, Marine Pollution Control Branch, Oceans and Coastal Protection Division, (4504F), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dave Redford, Acting Chief, Marine Pollution Control Branch, 202/260-9179.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EPA issued the emergency permit pursuant to its authority under the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. The terms and conditions of the emergency permit follow.

Dated: February 1, 1999.

**J. Charles Fox,**

*Assistant Administrator for Water.*

### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries ACT (Ocean Dumping) Permit

*Permit Type:* Emergency.

*Effective Date:* February 1, 1999.

*Expiration Date:* March 1, 2000.

*Applicant:* National Science Foundation.

*Transporter:* U.S. Coast Guard.

#### I. Action

This is an emergency ocean dumping permit that allows the National Science

Foundation (NSF) to transport an existing ice pier from its base at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, and dispose of it in the waters of McMurdo Sound. The pier poses a substantial and unacceptable safety hazard to human life. Minimal adverse environmental impacts from the disposal of this ice pier are expected.

#### II. Background

The National Science Foundation currently operates three major bases in Antarctica: McMurdo Station on Ross Island, adjacent to McMurdo Sound; Palmer Station, near the western terminus of the Antarctic Peninsula; and Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station, at the geographic South Pole. McMurdo Station is the largest of the three stations, and is the primary logistics base for the United States Antarctic Program (USAP). To permit vessels to dock and unload at McMurdo Station, construction and use of an ice pier is necessary. This ice pier, which is approximately 800 feet long, 300 feet wide, and 22 feet thick, is constructed during the winter season by freezing successive layers of ice until the required thickness is achieved. Several times in the process long lengths of steel cable are frozen in the pier to provide torsional stability. Short lengths of steel pipe are implanted in the ice layers to allow the lengths of cable to be wrapped around the pipes. In the final stage of the process, lengths of wooden poles are implanted in the ice to provide support for lighting, power, and telephone service to buildings on the pier. When the construction of the ice segment of the pier is completed, a 6-8" layer of pumice is applied to the pier, to provide a non-slip surface.

In summary, the following types and approximate quantities of materials would normally be used in the construction of an ice pier at McMurdo Station:

1" steel cable: 21,000 feet

2" steel pipe: 650 feet

Wooden utility poles: Up to 6

Pumice: 5,000 cubic yards

At the end of each austral summer season, the ice pier is inspected, and as much as possible of the pumice surface is removed and stored for use the following season; small amounts of pumice surface will remain frozen in the pier and cannot be removed. If the pier has deteriorated to the point that it is not capable of being used the following season, the wooden poles are cut off just above the surface of the ice, the pumice is scraped off, all equipment, materials, and debris are removed, and the pier is physically