

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate journals as potential titles to be indexed by the National Library of Medicine.

*Place:* National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Board Room, Bethesda, MD 20894.

*Closed:* February 8, 2002, 8:30 am to 2 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate journals as potential titles to be indexed by the National Library of Medicine.

*Place:* National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Board Room, Bethesda, MD 20894.

*Contact Person:* Sheldon Kotzin, BA, Chief, Bibliographic Services Division, Division of Library Operations, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bldg 38A/ Room 4N419, Bethesda, MD 20894.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.879, Medical Library Assistance, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 14, 2001.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy, NIH.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Notice of Meeting**

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Peer Review Oversight Group.

The meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

*Name of Committee:* Peer Review Oversight Group.

*Date:* February 4-5, 2002.

*Time:* February 4, 2002, 8:30 am to 4 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the agenda for this initial meeting of the Committee will include an update on NIH extramural reinvention activities and a discussion of the NIH peer review system.

*Place:* 2 Democracy Plaza, 6711 Democracy Boulevard, Conference Center, Salon #2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Time:* February 5, 2002, 8:30 AM to Adjournment.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the agenda for this initial meeting of the Committee will include an update on NIH extramural reinvention activities and a discussion of the NIH peer review system.

*Place:* 2 Democracy Plaza, 6711 Democracy Boulevard, Conference Center, Salon #2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Contact Person:* Tony Demsey, Executive Secretary, Office of Extramural Research, National Institutes of Health, Building 1, Room 152, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-5127.

In the interest of security, NIH has instituted stringent procedures for entrance into the building by non-government employees. Persons without a government I.D. will need to show a photo I.D. and sign-in at the security desk upon entering the building.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: [grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/peer.htm#prog](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/peer.htm#prog), where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 12, 2001.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* December 17, 2001.

*Time:* 11 am to 1 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Gloria B. Levin, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3166, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1017, [leving@csr.nih.gov](mailto:leving@csr.nih.gov).

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* January 4, 2002.

*Time:* 2 pm to 4:30 pm.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant application.

*Place:* NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Richard Marcus, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5168, MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1245, [richard.marcus@nih.gov](mailto:richard.marcus@nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine, 93.306, 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 12, 2001.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

**Letter of Authorization to Take Marine Mammals**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of Letters of Authorization to take marine mammals incidental to oil and gas industry activities.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 101(a)(5)(A) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service implementing regulations [50 CFRs 18.27(f)(3)], notice is hereby given that the following Letters of Authorization to take polar bears incidental to oil and gas industry exploration activities in the Beaufort Sea and adjacent northern coast of Alaska have been issued to the following companies:

Company	Activity	Location	Date issued
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Sunrise #1	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Cirque #3 and #4	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Anfros #1	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Spark #2-#5	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Cayman #1	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Alpine West #1	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Moose's Tooth A&C	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Rendezvous B	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Clover B	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Lookout A	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Sunrise #3	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Sunrise #2	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Callisto #1	Nov. 8, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Ganymede #1	Nov. 9, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Nanuq #5	Nov. 9, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Grandview #1	Nov. 9, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Lookout #2	Nov. 9, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Hunter A	Nov. 9, 2001.
Phillips Alaska, Inc	Exploration	Hunter #2	Nov. 9, 2001.
Anadarko Petroleum Corp	Exploration	Whiskey Gulch A and B	Nov. 9, 2001.

**CONTACT:** Mr. John W. Bridges at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Marine Mammals Management Office, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503, (800) 362-5148 or (907) 786-3810.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Letter of Authorization is issued in accordance with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Federal Rules and Regulations "Marine Mammals; Incidental Take During Specified Activities (65 FR 16828; March 30, 2000)."

Dated: November 26, 2001.

**David B. Allen,**

*Regional Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

**Receipt of Petitions for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.9(a) notice is hereby given that the following groups have each filed a letter of intent to petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. Each letter of intent was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on the date indicated, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.

Lenape Nation, c/o Mr. Robert Ruth, 115 Hancock Avenue, Norristown, Pennsylvania 19401. May 16, 2000.

Avogel Nation of Louisiana, c/o Mr. Terryl M. Francisco, 517 Overton Street, Marksville, Louisiana 71351. November 13, 2000.

Little Owl Band of Central Michigan Indians, c/o Mr. Raymond Dowell, P.O. Box 244, Sidney, Michigan 48885-0244. November 27, 2000.

The Western Pequot Tribal Nation of New Haven, c/o Mr. Samuel Ephraim Thomas, P.O. Box 27219, West Haven, Connecticut 06516. November 27, 2000.

Rappahannock Indian Tribe, Inc., c/o Mr. Nokomis F. Lemons, 6754 Tidewater Terrace, Chance, Virginia 22438. January 31, 2001.

Lower Eastern Ohio Mekojay Shawnee, c/o Mr. Russell Sharp, 2902 U.S. Highway 22 West, Wilmington, Ohio 45177. March 5, 2001.

The Chickamauga Notowega Creeks, c/o Ms. Govinda Sanyal, 85 Regis Drive, Staten Island, New York 10314. March 5, 2001.

Avogel, Okla Tasannuk, Tribe/Nation, c/o Mr. Miburn John Mayeux, P.O. Box 1007, Duson, Louisiana 70529-1007. March 19, 2001.

Schaghticoke Indian Tribe, c/o Mr. Allan Russell, P.O. Box 111, Kent, Connecticut 06757. May 11, 2001.

Calaveras Band of Miwuk Indians, c/o Mr. Charles Wilson, P.O. Box 899, West Point, California 95255. July 31, 2001.

Chickahominy Indians, Eastern Division, Inc., c/o Mr. Marvin D. Bradby, 12111 Indian Hill Lane, Providence Forge, Virginia 23140. September 6, 2001.

Xolon Salinan Tribe, c/o Ms. Donna Haro, P.O. Box 5337, Bay Point, California 94565. September 18, 2001.

Phoenician Cherokee II—Eagle Tribe of Sequoyah, c/o Mr. Albert L. Bynum, 504 Brewton Street, Gadsden, Alabama 35903. September 18, 2001.

Nansemond Indian Tribal Association, c/o Mr. Barry W. Bass, P.O. Box 2095, Portsmouth, Virginia 23702. September 20, 2001.

Schaghticoke Tribe, c/o Ms. Mildred Reed Crosley, 382 Connecticut Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06607. September 27, 2001.

United Cherokee Intertribal, c/o Ms. Gina Williamson, 5005 Elizabeth Street, Guntersville, Alabama 35976. November 8, 2001.

This is a notice of receipt of these letters of intent to petition and does not constitute notice that the petitions are under active consideration. Notice of active consideration will be sent by mail to the petitioner and other interested parties at the appropriate time.

Under Section 83.9(a) of the Federal regulations, third parties may submit factual and/or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to each group's petition and may request to be kept informed of all general actions affecting the petition. Third parties should provide copies of their submissions to the petitioner. Any information submitted will be made available on the same basis as other information in the BIA's files. The petitioner will be provided an opportunity to respond to such submissions prior to a final determination regarding the petitioner's status.

The petitions may be examined, by appointment, in the Department of the Interior, BIA, Branch of Acknowledgment and Research, MS: 4660-MIB, 1849 C Street, NW.,