

exchange information concerning facilities' use and storage of hazardous materials? Are there ways in which they can communicate more effectively concerning hazardous material inventory and labeling requirements?

Comments should address the questions listed above. CSB will accept verbal comments at the public hearing. Verbal comments must be limited to 4 minutes. Those wishing to make verbal comments should pre-register by April 11, 2003. To pre-register, send your name and a brief outline of your comments to the person listed in ADDRESSES.

D. Request for Comments

The CSB requests that interested parties submit written comments on the above questions to facilitate greater understanding of the issues. Comments should indicate the number(s) of the specific question(s) being answered, provide responses to questions in numerical order, and use a separate page for each question answered. Comments should be captioned "Kaltech Incident—Comments," and must be filed on or before May 5, 2003.

Parties sending written comments should submit an original and two copies of each document. To enable prompt review and public access, paper submissions should include a version on diskette in PDF, ASCII, or Microsoft Word format. Diskettes should be labeled with the name of the party, and the name and version of the word processing program used to create the document. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to Don.Holmstrom@csb.gov. Written comments will be available for public inspection in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, and CSB regulations.

E. Agenda (9 a.m.–1 p.m.)

- I. CSB Introduction (1 hour)
- II. New York City panel (1 hour)
- III. Fire Safety Experts' panel (1 hour)
- IV. Comments from interested parties and the public (1 hour)

F. Sunshine Act Notice

The United States Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board announces that it will convene a Public Hearing beginning on Wednesday April 16, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Fashion Institute of Technology (SUNY), 7th Avenue at 27th Street, New York City, New York. Topics will include: CSB's investigation of the Kaltech Industries Group. The meeting will be open to the public. Please notify CSB if a translator or interpreter is needed, 10 business days prior to the

public meeting. For more information, please contact the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board's Office of Congressional and Public Affairs, 202–261–7600, or visit our Web site at: www.csb.gov.

Christopher W. Warner,
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC) will meet on April 23 & 24, 2003, 9 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Pennsylvania Avenue and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to information systems equipment and technology.

April 23

Public Session

1. Comments or presentations by the public.
2. Discussion on Category 3B (electronics—test, inspection and production equipment) controls and proposed study.
3. Discussion on oscilloscope controls and suggested changes.
4. Discussion on Ultra-Wide Band equipment proposal.

April 23 & 24

Closed Session

5. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the Committee suggests that public presentation materials or comments be forwarded before the meeting to the address listed below:

Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, Advisory Committees MS: 3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 15th St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on September 7, 2001, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings or portions of meetings of these Committees and of any Subcommittees thereof, dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and (a)(3), of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

For more information, contact Lee Ann Carpenter on 202–482–2583.

Dated: March 31, 2003.

Lee Ann Carpenter,
Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Conducting Oil and Gas Exploration Activities in the Gulf of Mexico

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

ACTION: Notice of extension of comment deadline.

SUMMARY: Under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), on March 3, 2003, NMFS published a notice of receipt of an application for the harassment of marine mammals incidental to conducting seismic surveys by the U.S. oil and gas industry in the Gulf of Mexico. By this document, NMFS announces an extension of the comment deadline.

DATES: Comments and information must be postmarked no later than April 16, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Chief, Marine Mammal Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West