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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Docket ID PTO-C-2015-0017

Title: National Medal of Technology and Innovation Nomination Evaluation Committee Meeting

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office.

ACTION: Notice of closed meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Medal of Technology and Innovation (NMTI) Nomination Evaluation Committee will meet in closed session on Tuesday, May 19, 2015. The primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss the relative merits of persons, teams, and companies nominated for the 2013 and 2014 NMTI. The Committee will consider nominations from both years in order to expedite the awards process.

DATES: The meeting will convene Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at approximately 9 a.m., and adjourn at approximately 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, 600 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby
given that the NMTI Nomination Evaluation Committee, chartered to the United States
Department of Commerce, will meet at the United States Patent and Trademark Office campus in
Alexandria, Virginia.

The Secretary of Commerce is responsible for recommending to the President prospective NMTI
recipients. The NMTI Nomination Evaluation Committee evaluates the nominations received
pursuant to public solicitation and makes its recommendations for the Medal to the Secretary.
Committee members are distinguished experts in the fields of science, technology, business, and
patent law drawn from both the public and private sectors and are appointed by the Secretary for
three-year terms.

The NMTI Nomination Evaluation Committee was established in accordance with the FACA.
The Committee meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the FACA and 5 U.S.C.
552b(c)(6) and (9)(B), because the discussion of the relative merit of the Medal nominations is
likely to disclose information of a personal nature..

The Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, United States
Department of Commerce, formally determined on April 16, 2015 pursuant to Section 10(d) of

the FACA, that the meeting may be closed because Committee members are concerned with matters that are within the purview of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B). Due to closure of this meeting, copies of any minutes of the meeting will not be available. A copy of the determination is available for public inspection at the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Dated: May 3, 2015.

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Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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