individuals with disabilities, private and public sector employers, and information technology professionals and developers.

- Conducting trainings/webinars on issues related to accessible technology in the workplace, including use of emerging technologies to facilitate employment and creating accessible human resource management systems (e.g., accessible online job application portals).
- Collecting, analyzing and publicizing exemplary practices related to accessible technology in the workplace through collaboration with public and private sector employers.
- Conducting outreach and establishing and maintaining strategic partnerships and effective working collaborations with outside entities with the goal of sharing knowledge and promoting the adoption and implementation of policies and effective practices related to accessible technology in the workplace.

Funding of \$950,000 will be awarded through a competitive process for a 12-month period of performance, with the possibility of up to four (4) option years of funding depending on the availability of funds and satisfactory performance.

This solicitation provides background information, describes the application submission requirements, outlines the process that eligible entities must use to apply for funds covered by this solicitation, and outlines the evaluation criteria used as a basis for selecting the grantee.

The full Solicitation for Grant Applications is posted on http://www.grants.gov under U.S. Department of Labor/ODEP. Applications submitted through http://www.grants.gov or hard copy will be accepted. If you need to speak to a person concerning these grants, you may telephone Cassandra Mitchell at 202–693–4570 (not a toll-free number). If you have issues regarding access to the http://www.grants.gov Web site, you may telephone the Contact Center Phone at 1–800–518–4726.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 2nd day of August 2012.

Cassandra R. Mitchell,

Grant Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Application Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Science Foundation (NSF) has received a waste management permit application for Dr. Harry Anderson to conduct a flight from Punta Arenas, Chile to the Chilean base Lieutenant Rodolfo Marsh Martin Aerodrome airport on King George Island where he will land, refuel, and take off for return to Punta Arenas. The application by Dr. Harry Anderson of Bainbridge Island, WA is submitted to NSF pursuant to regulations issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application within September 7, 2012. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Polly A. Penhale at the above address or (703) 292–8030.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NSF's Antarctic Waste Regulation, 45 CFR part 671, requires all U.S. citizens and entities to obtain a permit for the use or release of a designated pollutant in Antarctica, and for the release of waste in Antarctica. NSF has received a permit application under this Regulation for conduct of a flight of a 2001 Lancair Columbia 300 aircraft (N788W) from Punta Arenas, Chile to the Chilean aerodrome on King George Island. Activities include refueling the aircraft, possible generation of wastes.

Designated pollutants that would be associated with the flight are typically air emissions and waste water (urine and human solid waste. All wastes would be packaged and stored on the aircraft for proper disposal in Chile under approved guidelines after return of the aircraft to Punta Arenas, Chile.

The permit applicant: Harry R. Anderson, Ph.D., Bainbridge Island, Permit application No. 2013 WM–003.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. NRC-2012-0066]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted to OMB for review the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The NRC hereby informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The NRC published a Federal Register notice with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on May 18, 2012 (77 FR 29697).

- 1. Type of submission, new, revision, or extension: Extension.
- 2. The title of the information collection: Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Part 51—Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions.
- 3. Current OMB approval number: 3150–0021.
- 4. The form number if applicable: N/ $^{\rm A}$
- 5. How often the collection is required: Upon submittal of an application for a construction permit, operating license, operating license renewal, early site review, design certification review, decommissioning or termination review, or manufacturing license, or upon submittal of a petition for rulemaking.
- 6. Who will be required or asked to report: Licensees and applicants requesting approvals for actions proposed in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Parts 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, 50, 52, 54, 60, 61, 70, and 72.
- 7. An estimate of the number of annual responses: 48.31.
- 8. The estimated number of annual respondents: 48.31.
- 9. An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 100,783.
- 10. Abstract: The NRC's regulations at 10 CFR Part 51 specifies information to be provided by applicants and licensees

so that the NRC can make determinations necessary to adhere to the policies, regulations, and public laws of the United States, which are to be interpreted and administered in accordance with the policies set forth in the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended.

The public may examine and have copied for a fee publicly available documents, including the final supporting statement, at the NRC's Public Document Room, Room O–1F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC's Web site: http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/index.html. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by September 7, 2012. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date.

Chad Whiteman, Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150–0021), NEOB–10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be emailed to *Chad_S_Whiteman@omb.eop.gov* or submitted by telephone at 202–395–4718.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Tremaine Donnell; telephone: 301–415– 6258.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of August 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Tremaine Donnell**,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 30160; 812–13964]

BlackRock Preferred Partners LLC, et al.; Notice of Application

August 2, 2012.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission").

ACTION: Notice of an application under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") for an exemption from sections 18(c) and 18(i)

of the Act and for an order pursuant to section 17(d) of the Act and rule 17d– 1 under the Act.

SUMMARY: Summary of Application: Applicants request an order to permit certain registered closed-end management investment companies to issue multiple classes of shares and to impose asset-based distribution and service fees and contingent deferred sales loads ("CDSCs").

Applicants: BlackRock Preferred Partners LLC (the "Fund"), BlackRock Advisors, LLC (the "Adviser") and BlackRock Investments, LLC (the "Distributor").

DATES: Filing Dates: The application was filed on September 23, 2011, and amended on June 22, 2012.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the requested relief will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission's Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on August 27, 2012, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicants, in the form of an affidavit, or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Commission's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090; Applicants, c/o Janey Ahn, Esq., BlackRock Advisors, LLC, 55 East 52nd Street, New York, New York 10055.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Emerson S. Davis, Senior Counsel, at (202) 551–6868 or Daniele Marchesani, Branch Chief, at (202) 551–6821 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained via the Commission's Web site by searching for the file number, or an applicant using the Company name box, at http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm or by calling (202) 551–8090.

Applicants' Representations

1. The Fund is a continuously offered non-diversified closed-end management investment company registered under the Act and organized as a Delaware limited liability company. The Adviser is registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and serves as investment adviser to the Fund. The Distributor, a brokerdealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, acts as principal underwriter to the Fund. The Distributor is under common control with the Adviser and is an affiliated person, as defined in section 2(a)(3) of the Act, of the Adviser.

2. The Fund continuously offers its limited liability company interests ("Units") to the public pursuant to a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933. The Units of the Fund are not listed on any securities exchange and are not traded on an overthe-counter system such as NASDAQ. Applicants do not expect that any secondary market will develop for the Units.

3. The Fund currently offers an initial class of Units ("Initial Class") at net asset value subject to a front-end sales load and an ongoing asset-based distribution fee and proposes to offer multiple classes of Units. The Fund would offer new Unit classes ("New Class") at net asset value and may also charge a front-end sales load and an annual service and/or distribution fee. The Fund intends to continue to offer Initial Class Units, subject to minimum purchase requirements.

4. In order to provide a degree of liquidity to members ("Members"), the Fund may from time to time offer to repurchase Units at net asset value in accordance with rule 13e-4 under the Exchange Act of 1934 Act, as amended (the "1934 Act").1 A Fund will repurchase Units at the times, in the amounts and on the terms as may be determined by the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Fund in its sole discretion. The Adviser expects to recommend ordinarily that the Board authorize each Fund to offer to repurchase Units from Members quarterly.

5. Applicants request that the order also apply to any other continuously offered registered closed-end management investment companies existing now or in the future for which

¹ For the Initial Class, a 2% early repurchase fee will be charged to any Member that tenders its Units to the Fund in connection with a tender offer with a valuation date that is prior to the business day immediately preceding the one-year anniversary of the Member's purchase of the respective Units. Any early repurchase fee, and the Fund's waiver of, scheduled variation in, or elimination of, such early repurchase fee, will equally apply to all Members of the Fund, within the applicable category of Members, regardless of class, consistent with section 18 of the Act and rule 18f. 3 thorounder