

BASIS FOR CLOSING
NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 1, 2016

On February 22, 2016 the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the National Science Board scheduled for Tuesday, March 1 at 8:00 p.m. EST. Board Members Drs. Córdova, Arvizu, Droegemeier, Peterson and Souvaine participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted “yes” to close the teleconference. The agenda of the teleconference is: (1) NSB Chair’s opening remarks; (2) Discussion re construction and initial operations awards for NEON; (3) Action item re consideration of NEON Resolution; (4) NSB Chair’s closing remarks.

The Board Members, NSB Executive Secretary and National Science Board Office staff including the Executive Officer, Board Counsel and Executive Secretaries to the ad hoc Task Force on NEON Programs and Plans will attend the closed teleconference meeting. The justification for closing the meeting is provided in the attached certificate.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the teleconference meeting of the National Science Board, scheduled for March 1, 2016 may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b (c) (4) regarding the disclosure of trade secrets and commercial or financial information.

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