

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Ms. Lisa L. Jones, Office of the Assistant Director, Directorate for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 905, Arlington, Virginia 22230, 703-292-8700.

Summary Minutes: May be obtained from contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Foundation on major goals and policies pertaining to Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate programs and activities.

Agenda:

Thursday

Updates and Discussion on Continuing Activities

- Budget process and status.
- Human and Social Dynamics—COV discussion and plans for the future.
- SBE participation in NSF initiatives for FY 2009.
- Sustainability workshop report.
- SBE infrastructure.
- Linkages with DOD.

Friday

Updates and Discussion on Continuing Activities.

- International activities.
- Questions from the National Science Board: Limitations on proposal submission; cost sharing.
- Broadening participation.
- Human capital and succession planning in SBE.
- Discussion with the NSF Director. Planning for FY 2010 and Beyond.

Dated: May 8, 2008.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Federal Register Notice

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETINGS: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATES: Weeks of May 12, 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 2008.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

Week of May 12, 2008

Wednesday, May 14, 2008

11 a.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1).

Friday, May 16, 2008

8:55 a.m.

Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative).

a. AmerGen Energy Company, LLC (Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station), Docket No. 50-219-LR, Citizens' Petition for Review of LBP-07-17 and Other Interlocutory Decisions in the Oyster Creek Proceeding (Tentative).

b. Oyster Creek, Indian Point, Pilgrim, and Vermont Yankee License Renewals, Docket Nos. 50-219-LR, 50-247-LR, 50-286-LR, 50-293-LR, 50-271-LR, Petition to Suspend Proceedings (Tentative).

c. Entergy Nuclear Generation Co. and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station), Docket No. 50-293-LR—Entergy's Request for Guidance on the First Circuit's Administrative Stay (Tentative).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>. 9 a.m.

Briefing on NRC Infrastructure (Public Meeting), (Contact: Peter Rabideau, 301 415-7323).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of May 19, 2008—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of May 19, 2008.

Week of May 26, 2008—Tentative

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

1:30 p.m.

NRC All Hands Meeting (Public Meeting), Marriott Bethesda North Hotel, 5701 Marinelli Road, Rockville, MD 20852.

Wednesday, May 28, 2008

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Workforce Planning (Public Meeting) (Contact: Kristin Davis, 301 492-2266).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of June 2, 2008—Tentative

Wednesday, June 4, 2008

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on Results of the Agency Action Review Meeting (AARM) (Public Meeting) (Contact: Shaun Anderson, 301 415-2039).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Thursday, June 5, 2008

1:30 p.m.

Meeting with Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) (Public Meeting) (Contact: Tanny Santos, 301 415-7270).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of June 9, 2008—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of June 9, 2008.

Week of June 16, 2008—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of June 16, 2008.

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Contact person for more information: Michelle Schroll, (301) 415-1662.

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Dated: May 8, 2008.

Rochelle C. Baval,

Office of the Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Extension: Rule 17d-1, SEC File No. 270-505, OMB Control No. 3235-0562]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor

Education and Advocacy,
Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Section 17(d) (15 U.S.C. 80a-17(d)) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a *et seq.*) (the "Act") prohibits first and second-tier affiliates of a fund, the fund's principal underwriters, and affiliated persons of the fund's principal underwriters, acting as principal, to effect any transaction in which the fund or a company controlled by the fund is a joint or a joint and several participant in contravention of the Commission's rules. Rule 17d-1 (17 CFR 270.17d-1) prohibits an affiliated person of or principal underwriter for any fund (a "first-tier affiliate"), or any affiliated person of such person or underwriter (a "second-tier affiliate"), acting as principal, from participating in or effecting any transaction in connection with a joint enterprise or other joint arrangement in which the fund is a participant, unless prior to entering into the enterprise or arrangement "an application regarding (the transaction) has been filed with the Commission and has been granted by an order." In reviewing the proposed affiliated transaction, the rule provides that the Commission will consider whether the proposal is (i) consistent with the provisions, policies, and purposes of the Act, and (ii) on a basis different from or less advantageous than that of other participants in determining whether to grant an exemptive application for a proposed joint enterprise, joint arrangement, or profit-sharing plan.

Rule 17d-1 also contains a number of exceptions to the requirement that a fund must obtain Commission approval prior to entering into joint transactions or arrangements with affiliates. For example, funds do not have to obtain Commission approval for certain employee compensation plans, certain tax-deferred employee benefit plans, certain transactions involving small business investment companies, the receipt of securities or cash by certain affiliates pursuant to a plan of reorganization, and arrangements regarding liability insurance policies. The Commission amended rule 17d-1 most recently in 2003 to expand the current exemptions from the Commission approval process to permit

funds to engage in transactions with "portfolio affiliates"—companies that are affiliated with the fund solely as a result of the fund (or an affiliated fund) controlling them or owning more than five percent of their voting securities. This amendment was designed to permit funds' transactions with portfolio affiliates without seeking Commission approval, as long as certain other affiliated persons of the fund (*e.g.*, the fund's adviser, persons controlling the fund, and persons under common control with the fund) ("prohibited participants") are not parties to the transaction and do not have a "financial interest" in a party to the transaction. The rule excludes from the definition of "financial interest" any interest that the fund's board of directors (including a majority of the directors who are not interested persons of the fund) finds to be not material, as long as the board records the basis for its finding in their meeting minutes.

Thus, the rule contains two filing and recordkeeping requirements that constitute collections of information. First, rule 17d-1 requires funds that wish to engage in a joint transaction or arrangement with affiliates to meet the procedural requirements for obtaining exemptive relief from the rule's prohibition on joint transactions or arrangements involving first-or second-tier affiliates. Second, rule 17d-1 permits a portfolio affiliate to enter into a joint transaction or arrangement with the fund if a prohibited participant has a financial interest that the fund's board determines is not material and records the basis for this finding in their meeting minutes. These requirements of rule 17d-1 are designed to prevent fund insiders from managing funds for their own benefit, rather than for the benefit of the funds' shareholders.

Based on an analysis of past filings, Commission staff estimates that 4 funds file applications under section 17(d) and rule 17d-1 per year. Based on a limited survey of persons in the mutual fund industry, the Commission staff estimates that each applicant will spend an average of 154 hours to comply with the Commission's applications process. The Commission staff therefore estimates the annual burden hours per year for all funds under rule 17d-1's application process to be 616 hours.

Based on analysis of past filings, the Commission's staff estimates that 148 funds are affiliated persons of 668 issuers as a result of the fund's ownership or control of the issuer's voting securities, and that there are approximately 1,000 such affiliate relationships. Staff discussions with mutual fund representatives have

suggested that no funds are currently relying on rule 17d-1 exemptions. We do not know definitively the reasons for this transactional behavior, but differing market conditions from year to year may offer some explanation for the current lack of fund interest in the exemptions under rule 17d-1. Accordingly, we estimate that annually there will be no joint transactions under rule 17d-1 that will result in a collection of information. The Commission, therefore, requests authorization to maintain an inventory of total burden hours per year for all funds under rule 17d-1 of 616 hours.

The estimate of average burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act. The estimate is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules. Complying with these collections of information requirement is necessary to obtain the benefit of relying on rule 17d-1. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

Please direct general comments regarding the above information to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or e-mail to: Alexander_T._Hunt@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312; or send an e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: May 5, 2008.

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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