

respectively), is hereby further amended as follows:

1. Strike the text of paragraphs 1 and 2 of section VII of the amendment dated October 4, 2002 (effective October 1, 2002), and substitute the following:

1. In order more fully to release the Board to the expeditious performance of its primary function and responsibility of deciding cases, the authority and responsibility for all administrative functions of the Agency shall be vested in the General Counsel, except as provided below. This authority shall be exercised subject to the limitations contained in paragraphs 2, 5 and 7, and shall be exercised in conformity with the requirements for joint determination as described in paragraph 4.

2. Subject to the limitations contained in paragraphs 5 and 7, the General Counsel shall exercise full and final authority on behalf of the Agency over the selection, retention, transfer, promotion, demotion, discipline, discharge, and in all other respects, of all personnel engaged in the field, except that personnel action with respect to Regional Directors and Officers-in Charge of Subregional offices will be conducted as hereinafter provided, and in the Washington Office (other than personnel in the Board Members' Offices, the Division of Judges, the Division of Information, the Security Office, the Office of the Solicitor, the Office of the Executive Secretary and the Office of Inspector General): provided, however, that the establishment, transfer or elimination of any Regional or Subregional Office shall require the approval of the Board. The appointment, transfer, demotion, or discharge of any Regional Director or of any Officer-in-Charge of a Subregional office shall be made by the General Counsel only upon the approval of the Board.

Dated: Washington, DC, July 27, 2012.

By direction of the Board.

**Lester A. Heltzer,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2012-0149]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of pending U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission action to submit

an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget and solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) invites public comment about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for renewal of an existing information collection that is summarized below. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. *The title of the information collection:* Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 60, "Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Wastes in Geologic Repositories."
2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0127.
3. *How often the collection is required:* The information need only be submitted one time.
4. *Who is required or asked to report:* State or Indian tribes, or their representatives, requesting consultation with the NRC staff regarding review of a potential high-level radioactive waste geologic repository site, or wishing to participate in a license application review for a potential geologic repository (other than a potential geologic repository site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, which is regulated under 10 CFR part 63).
5. *The number of annual respondents:* 1; however, none are expected in the next 3 years.
6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 1; however, none are expected in the next 3 years.
7. *Abstract:* Part 60 of 10 CFR requires States and Indian tribes to submit certain information to the NRC if they request consultation with the NRC staff concerning the review of a potential repository site, or wish to participate in a license application review for a potential repository (other than the Yucca Mountain, Nevada site, which is regulated under 10 CFR part 63). Representatives of States or Indian tribes must submit a statement of their authority to act in such a representative capacity. The information submitted by the States and Indian tribes is used by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards as a basis for decisions about the commitment of NRC staff resources to the consultation and participation efforts. The NRC anticipates conducting a public rulemaking to revise portions of 10 CFR part 60 in the near future (i.e.,

within the next 5 years). If, as part of this rulemaking, revisions are made affecting the information collection requirements, the NRC will follow OMB requirements for obtaining approval for any revised information collection requirements. [**Note:** All of the information collection requirements pertaining to Yucca Mountain were included in 10 CFR part 63, and were approved by OMB under control number 3150-0199. The Yucca Mountain site is regulated under 10 CFR part 63 (66 FR 55792, November 2, 2001).]

Submit, by October 1, 2012, comments that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
2. Is the burden estimate accurate?
3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?
4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

The public may examine and have copied, for a fee, publicly available documents, including the draft supporting statement, at the NRC's Public Document Room, Room O-1F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The OMB clearance requests are available on the NRC's Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/>.

The document will be available on the NRC's Web site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available for public inspection. Because your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, the NRC cautions you against including any information in your submission that you do not want to be publicly disclosed. Comments submitted should reference Docket No. NRC-2012-0149. You may submit your comments by any of the following methods. Electronic comments: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket No. NRC-2012-0149. Mail comments to NRC Clearance Officer, Tremaine Donnell (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Tremaine Donnell (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at 301-

415-6258, or by email to [INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@NRC.GOV](mailto:INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@NRC.GOV).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of July 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Tremaine Donnell,**

*NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Service.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2012-0036]

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

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of the Office of Management and Budget review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (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 March 5, 2012.

1. *Type of submission, new, revision, or extension:* Extension.

2. *The title of the information collection:* Requests to Non-Agreement States for Information.

3. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0200.

4. *The form number if applicable:* N/A.

5. *How often the collection is required:* 8 times per year.

6. *Who will be required or asked to report:* The 15 Non-Agreement States (13 States, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico that have not signed Section 274(b) Agreements with the NRC).

7. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 120.

8. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 15.

9. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 1,089.

10. *Abstract:* Requests may be made of Non-Agreement States that are similar to those of Agreement States to provide a more complete overview of the national program for regulating radioactive materials. This information would be used in the decision-making of the Commission. With Agreement States and as part of the NRC's cooperative post-agreement program with the States pursuant to Section 274(b), information on licensing and inspection practices, and/or incidents, and other technical and statistical information are exchanged. Therefore, information requests sought may take the form of surveys, e.g., telephonic and electronic surveys/polls and facsimiles.

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. The OMB clearance requests are available on the NRC's Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/>. The document will be available on the NRC's Web site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by August 31, 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 (3150-0200), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be emailed to [Chad\\_S\\_Whiteman@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Chad_S_Whiteman@omb.eop.gov) or submitted by telephone at 202-395-4718.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Tremaine Donnell, 301-415-6258.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of July 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Tremaine Donnell,**

*NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee On Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee On Reliability and PRA; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Reliability and PRA will hold a meeting on August 15, 2012, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

**Wednesday, August 15, 2012—8:30 a.m. Until 12 p.m.**

The Subcommittee will be briefed on the draft SECY Paper on Economic Consequences/Land Contamination. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with the NRC staff and other interested persons regarding this matter. The Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the Full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Derek Widmayer (Telephone 301-415-7366 or Email: [Derek.Widmayer@nrc.gov](mailto:Derek.Widmayer@nrc.gov)) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be emailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Detailed procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 2011, (76 FR 64126-64127).

Detailed meeting agendas and meeting transcripts are available on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acrs>. Information regarding topics to be discussed, changes to the agenda, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the time allotted to present oral statements can be obtained from the Web site cited above or by