

I hereby certify that the aforementioned determinations were issued during the period of November 19, 2012 through November 23, 2012. These determinations are available on the Department's Web site *tradeact/taa/taa_search_form.cfm* under the searchable listing of determinations or by calling the Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance toll free at 888-365-6822.

Dated: November 28, 2012.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Investigations Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

Petitions have been filed with the Secretary of Labor under Section 221(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 ("the Act") and are identified in the Appendix to this notice. Upon receipt of these petitions, the Director of the Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, has instituted investigations pursuant to Section 221(a) of the Act.

The purpose of each of the investigations is to determine whether the workers are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Title II, Chapter 2, of the Act. The investigations will further relate, as appropriate, to the determination of the date on which total or partial separations began or threatened to begin and the subdivision of the firm involved.

The petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing, provided such request is filed in writing with the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 31, 2012.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 31, 2012.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5428, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of November 2012.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

APPENDIX

[10 TAA petitions instituted between 11/19/12 and 11/23/12]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
82162	Crane Payment Solutions, Inc. (Company)	Salem, NH	11/20/12	11/19/12
82163	Delphi Connection Systems US, Inc. (Company)	Mount Union, PA	11/20/12	11/19/12
82164	Karastan (Company)	Eden, NC	11/20/12	11/19/12
82165	Hostess (16 Locations in Michigan) (State/One-Stop)	MI	11/20/12	11/19/12
82166	Technicolor Creative Services (State/One-Stop)	Glendale, CA	11/21/12	11/20/12
82167	Hostess Brands (Union)	Seattle, WA	11/21/12	11/19/12
82168	Foamworks, Inc. (State/One-Stop)	Morristown, TN	11/21/12	11/21/12
82169	T-Systems North America (State/One-Stop)	Andover, MA	11/23/12	11/21/12
82170	TI Automotive (Company)	Cynthiana, KY	11/23/12	11/21/12
82171	Pearson Inc., Pearson Imaging Center (Workers)	Upper Saddle River, NJ	11/23/12	11/21/12

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Request for Information (RFI): Use of National Science Foundation Overseas Offices in Paris, Tokyo, Beijing by Broader Stakeholder Community

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Request for information (RFI).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

NSF-FOREIGN-OFFICE-INFO@LISTSERV.NSF.GOV.

DATES: To be considered, submissions must be received by January 18, 2013.

SUMMARY: *Purpose:* As part of an assessment investigating the function of the three National Science Foundation

overseas offices, this RFI seeks to solicit input from as large a set of stakeholders as possible.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

NSF's current strategic plan states that "NSF envisions a nation that capitalizes on new concepts in science and engineering and provides global leadership in advancing research and education." Because science and engineering are increasingly global, NSF's Office of International Science and Engineering (OISE) seeks to ensure that U.S. institutions and researchers are globally engaged, are able to advance their research through international collaboration, and maintain U.S. leadership within the global scientific community. To pursue its goals in these areas, OISE operates three international

offices. NSF opened its first international office in Tokyo in 1960. Two decades later, the NSF Europe Office, affiliated with UNESCO, opened in Paris and in 2006 the NSF Beijing office was opened.

The major functions of these three offices are:

- **Facilitation:** Promote collaboration between the science and engineering communities of the United States and the respective country/region.
- **Representation:** Serve as a liaison between NSF and agencies, institutions and researchers.
- **Reporting:** Monitor and report on science and engineering developments and policies.

In responding to the following questions, please provide as much detail regarding each interaction and with which office, wherever possible.

Specifically the assessment seeks public comment on the questions listed below:

(1) In what capacity, if any, have you directly engaged with the NSF overseas offices (e.g. as a Principal Investigator (PI), Co-PI, postdoctoral researcher, graduate student, or undergraduate student on a research project; as an NSF employee on official travel; as a U.S. Government official on a visit to a foreign country, or in any other capacity)? Please be specific with respect to which office(s) you have interacted with, and on what basis (e.g. one time only, 2–5 times per year, etc.).

(2) What was the nature of that interaction with the overseas offices? Why did you contact them (e.g. a visit to one of the three overseas offices while abroad, to help connect with foreign researchers, to identify research opportunities in a foreign country, to help with logistical aspects of current research in a foreign country, etc.)?

(3) Was the interaction valuable to you? How would you characterize the quality of service and/or information that you received in your interactions with each office? Similarly, are there any services you would have expected to—but did not—receive from the overseas offices?

(4) Please provide examples of opportunities that were created as a result of these interactions, if any.

(5) Are there other interactions you have had with NSF on international research activities other than through NSF's 3 overseas offices?

(6) Are there ways in which NSF's overseas offices might better be able to directly serve your overseas research needs?

(7) Please use this space to address any additional concerns you would like to raise with respect to the existence and value of NSF's three overseas offices.

(8) If you believe that describing your background (e.g., U.S. or foreign resident, field or sector of employment, etc.) would help to provide context for your responses, please do so here. Your participation in responding to this RFI is completely voluntary. All responses will be included in a content analysis following the close of the response period and complete confidentiality of individual responses will be maintained. Individuals are not mandated to respond to each question. Please note that the Government will not pay for response preparation or for the use of any information contained in the response.

Submission Instructions

All comments must be submitted electronically to: *NSF-FOREIGN-OFFICE-INFO@LISTSERV.NSF.GOV*.

Responses to this RFI will be accepted through January 18, 2013. You will receive an electronic confirmation acknowledging receipt of your response, but will not receive individualized feedback on any suggestions. No basis for claims against the U.S. Government shall arise as a result of a response to this request for information or from the Government's use of such information. Additionally, in reporting results from this call for information, respondent comments will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by law and reported only in aggregate form.

Specific questions about this RFI should be directed to the following email address: *NSF-FOREIGN-OFFICE-INFO@LISTSERV.NSF.GOV*.

Dated: December 17, 2012.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. NRC–2012–0184]

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

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of the Office of Management and Budget (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 September 5, 2012 (77 FR 54617).

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

2. *The title of the information collection:* NRC Form 398, “Personal Qualification Statement—Licensee.”

3. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150–0090.

4. *The form number if applicable:* NRC Form 398.

5. *How often the collection is required:* Upon application for an initial or upgrade operator license and every 6 years for the renewal of operator or senior operator licenses.

6. *Who will be required or asked to report:* Facility licensees who are tasked with certifying that the applicants and renewal operators are qualified to be licensed as reactor operators and senior reactor operators.

7. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 1,436.

8. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 1,436.

9. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 3,680.25.

10. *Abstract:* NRC Form 398 is used to transmit detailed information required to be submitted to the NRC by a facility licensee on each applicant applying for new and upgraded licenses or license renewals to operate the controls at a nuclear reactor facility. This information is used to determine that each applicant or renewal operator seeking a license or renewal of a license is qualified to be issued a license and that the licensed operator would not be expected to cause operational errors and endanger public health and safety.

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. The OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC's Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/>. The document will be available on the NRC's 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 January 22, 2013. 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 (3150–0090), 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, 301–415–6258.