

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 O1-F21, 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 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-2014-0135. You may submit your comments by any of the following methods: Electronic comments go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket No. RC-2014-0135. Mail comments to Acting NRC Clearance Officer, Kristen Benney (T-5 F50), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the Acting NRC Clearance Officer, Kristen Benney, (T5 F50), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-6355, or by email to INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of July, 2014.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Kristen Benney,

Acting NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2014-0166]

Design Response Spectra for Seismic Design of Nuclear Power Plants

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Regulatory guide; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Revision 2

to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.60, "Design Response Spectra for Seismic Design of Nuclear Power Plants." The NRC is issuing this revision without a public-comment period because there are only minor modifications with no substantive changes in the staff regulatory positions. This guide describes an approach that the NRC staff considers acceptable for defining response spectra for the seismic design of nuclear power plants.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2014-0166 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by the following methods:

- Federal Rulemaking Web site: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2014-0166. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-287-3422; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the NRC Library at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. Revision 2 of RG 1.60 is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML13210A432.

- NRC's PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sarah Tabatabai, Office of New Reactors, telephone: 301-415-1381, email: Sarah.Tabatabai@nrc.gov; or Edward O'Donnell, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, telephone: 301-251-7455, email: Edward.ODonnell@nrc.gov. Both are staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The NRC is issuing a revision to an existing guide in the NRC's "Regulatory Guide" series. Regulatory guides were

developed to describe and make available to the public information methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the agency's regulations, techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses. The NRC typically seeks public comment on a draft version of a regulatory guide by announcing its availability for comment in the **Federal Register**. However, as explained in section III F of the Handbook for NRC Management Directive 6.6, "Regulatory Guides," (ADAMS Accession No. ML110330475) the NRC may directly issue a final regulatory guide without a draft version or public comment period if the changes to the regulatory guide are non-substantive.

The NRC is issuing Revision 2 of RG 1.60 directly as a final regulatory guide because the changes between Revision 1 and Revision 2 are non-substantive. The main reason for this revision was to update the reference materials, along with adding the ADAMS accession numbers, for the key technical basis documents in the reference section to facilitate public access to those documents.

II. Backfitting and Issue Finality

Issuance of this final regulatory guide does not constitute backfitting as defined in 10 CFR 50.109 (the Backfit Rule) and is not otherwise inconsistent with the issue finality provisions in 10 CFR part 52. The changes in Revision 2 of RG 1.60 are limited to editorial changes to improve clarity, to update references, and to facilitate public access to key technical basis documents. These changes do not fall within the kinds of agency actions that constitute backfitting or are subject to limitations in the issue finality provisions of part 52. Accordingly, the NRC did not address the Backfit Rule or issue finality provisions of part 52.

III. Congressional Review Act

This action is not a rule as defined in the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801-808).

IV. Submitting Suggestions for Improvement of Regulatory Guides

Revision 2 of RG 1.60 is being issued without public comment. However, you may at any time submit suggestions to the NRC for improvement of existing regulatory guides or for the development of new regulatory guides to address new issues. Suggestions can be submitted by the form available online at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading->

rm/doc-collections/reg-guides/contactus.html. Suggestions will be considered in future updates and enhancements of the regulatory guide.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of July, 2014.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Harriet Karagiannis,

Acting Chief, Regulatory Guide Development Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

Agency Information Collection Activities, Request for Comment

AGENCY: Office of Special Counsel.

ACTION: First notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC), plans to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for use of an expanded version of an approved information collection consisting of an electronic customer survey form. OSC is required by law to conduct an annual survey of those who seek its assistance. The information collection is used to carry out that mandate. However, the additional questions for the survey cover a category of complaint, whistleblower disclosures, whose inclusion in the survey is not statutorily required, but rather is being done voluntarily by our agency. The 6 specific questions to be added are: “Did the agency against which you filed the disclosure inform you about your right to make whistleblower disclosures, and the channels for making such disclosures?” “Did you obtain the action that you wanted from OSC?” “What reason did OSC give for closing your disclosure matter?” (Check all that apply.)” “Did you agree with the reason OSC gave for closing your disclosure matter?” “If you answered “no” to the question in number 4 above, could you please elaborate? [below which is a free field text box].” “How would you rate the service provided by OSC in each of the following areas?” The current OMB approval for this collection of information [without the new questions for the Disclosure Unit] does not expire until 10/31/2015.

Current and former Federal employees, employee representatives, other Federal agencies, state and local government employees, and the general public are invited to comment on this information collection. Comments are

invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OSC functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of OSC’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collections of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments should be received by August 16, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karl Kammann, Director of Finance, at 1730 M St. NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20036, or by facsimile at (202) 254-3711.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OSC is an independent agency responsible for, among other things, (1) investigation of allegations of prohibited personnel practices defined by law at 5 U.S.C. 2302(b), protection of whistleblowers, and certain other illegal employment practices under titles 5 and 38 of the U.S. Code, affecting current or former Federal employees or applicants for employment, and covered state and local government employees; and (2) the interpretation and enforcement of Hatch Act provisions on political activity in chapters 15 and 73 of title 5 of the U.S. Code, and implementing regulations concerning the controlling of paperwork burdens on the public, found at 5 CFR part 1320.

Title of Collection: Office of Special Counsel (OSC) Annual Survey; OMB Control Number 3255-0003.

OSC is required to conduct an annual survey of individuals who seek its assistance. Section 13 of 103 (1994), codified at 5 U.S.C. 1212 note, states, in part: “[T]he survey shall—(1) Determine if the individual seeking assistance was fully apprised of their rights; (2) determine whether the individual was successful either at the Office of Special Counsel or the Merit Systems Protection Board; and (3) determine if the individual, whether successful or not, was satisfied with the treatment received from the Office of Special Counsel.” The same section also provides that survey results are to be published in OSC’s annual report to Congress. Copies of prior years’ annual reports are available on OSC’s Web site, at <http://www.osc.gov/RRAnnualReportsToCongress.htm> or by calling OSC at (202) 254-3600.

The survey form for the collection of information is available for review by calling OSC at (202) 254-3600.

Affected Public: Current and former Federal employees, applicants for Federal employment, state and local government employees, and their representatives, and the general public.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.
Estimated Annual Number of Survey Form Respondents: 415.

Frequency of Survey Form Use: Annual.

Estimated Average Amount of Time for a Person to Respond to Survey: 12 minutes.

Estimated Annual Survey Burden: 141 hours.

This survey form is used to survey current and former Federal employees and applicants for Federal employment who have submitted allegations of possible prohibited personnel practices or other prohibited activity for investigation and possible prosecution by OSC, and whose matter has been closed or otherwise resolved during the prior fiscal year, on their experience at OSC. Specifically, the survey asks questions relating to whether the respondent was: (1) Apprised of his or her rights; (2) successful at the OSC or at the Merit Systems Protection Board; and (3) satisfied with the treatment received at the OSC.

Dated: July 8, 2014.

Carolyn N. Lerner,
Special Counsel.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; ICE Clear Credit LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Related to ICC’s Authority To Use Guaranty Fund and House Initial Margin as an Internal Liquidity Resource

July 8, 2014.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder² notice is hereby given that on June 24, 2014, ICE Clear Credit LLC (“ICC”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared primarily by ICC.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.