

Committee will discuss: Reports of subcommittees on NEPA section 101, best practices, and affected communities; and planning for future Committee work.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public who desires further information concerning the meeting or wishes to submit oral or written comments should contact Tina Gargus, Special Projects Coordinator, U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, 130 S. Scott Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701; phone (520) 670-5299, fax (520) 670-5530, or e-mail at [gargus@ecr.gov](mailto:gargus@ecr.gov). Requests to make oral comments must be in writing (or by e-mail) to Ms. Gargus and be received no later than 5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time on Thursday, May 6, 2003. Copies of the draft meeting agenda may be obtained from Ms. Gargus at the address, phone and e-mail address listed above.

Dated: April 22, 2004.

**Christopher L. Helms,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Documents Containing Reporting or Recordkeeping Requirements: Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review

**AGENCY:** U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

**ACTION:** Notice of OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The 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)

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

2. *The title of the information collection:* 10 CFR Part 9, "Public Records."

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

4. *How often the collection is required:* On occasion.

5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* Submitters of information containing trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information who have been notified that the NRC has made an initial determination that the information should be disclosed.

6. *The estimated number of annual responses:* 10.

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 10.

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 100 hours (10 hours per response).

9. *An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies:* Applicable.

10. *Abstract:* 10 CFR Part 9 is being revised to provide a submitter of information who has designated that information to be trade secrets or confidential commercial and financial information, the right to be notified prior to the NRC disclosing that information, and given the opportunity to object to the disclosure and to provide a written statement that specifies all grounds why the information is a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential. Section 9.28(b) would provide that if the submitter objects to the disclosure, he must provide within 15 days a written statement that specifies all grounds why the information is a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential. This provision implements a requirement of Executive Order 12600, Predisclosure Notification Procedures for Confidential Commercial Information (52 FR 23781), issued June 23, 1987.

Submit, by May 28, 2004, 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?

A copy of the submittal may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room 0-1-F21, Rockville, MD 20852. The proposed rule indicated in "The title of the information collection" is or has been published in the **Federal Register** within several days of the publication date of this *Federal Register* notice. The OMB clearance package and rule are available at the NRC worldwide Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/> for 60 days after the signature date of this notice and are also available at the rule forum site, <http://ruleforum.llnl.gov>.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer by May 28, 2004: OMB Desk Officer, Notice of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0043), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3087.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo. Shelton, 301-415-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 15th day of April, 2004.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Brenda Jo. Shelton,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

**ACTION:** Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The 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.

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. *Type of submission, new, revision, of extension:* Revision.
2. *The title of the information collection:* Policy Statement for the "Criteria for Guidance of States and NRC in Discontinuance of NRC Regulatory Authority and Assumption Thereof by States Through Agreement," Maintenance of Existing Agreement State Programs, Request for Information through the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) Questionnaire, and Agreement State Participation in IMPEP.
3. *The form number if applicable:* Not applicable.
4. *How often the collection is required:* There are four activities that occur under this collection: information collection activities required by the IMPEP questionnaire in preparation for an IMPEP review conducted no less frequently than every four years; while the following activities are all collected on an annual basis—policy statement addressing requirements for new Agreement States; participation by Agreement States in the IMPEP reviews; and annual requirements for Agreement States to maintain their programs.
5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* 33 Agreement States who have signed Section 274b Agreements with NRC.
6. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* For States interested in becoming an Agreement State: approximately one State per year. For Agreement State participation in IMPEP reviews: 11 (9 State, 1 NRC Region and 1 Follow-up Review per year). For maintenance of existing Agreement State programs: 33 States. For Agreement State response to IMPEP questionnaires: 9 States. The total number of annual responses is 54.
7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 33.
8. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* For States interested in becoming an Agreement State: Approximately 4,300 hours. For Agreement State participation in 11 IMPEP reviews (9 State, 1 NRC Region and 1 Follow-up Review): 396 hours (an average of 36 hours per review). For maintenance of existing Agreement State programs: 252,000 hours (an average of approximately 7,636 hours per State for 33 Agreement States). For Agreement State response to 9 IMPEP questionnaires annually: 477 hours (an average of 53 hours per program). The

total number of hours expended annually is 257,173 hours.

9. *An indication of whether section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies:* Not applicable.

10. *Abstract:* States wishing to become an Agreement State are requested to provide certain information to the NRC as specified by the Commission's Policy Statement, "Criteria for Guidance of States and NRC in Discontinuance of NRC Regulatory Authority and Assumption Thereof by States Through Agreement." Agreement States need to ensure that the Radiation Control Program under the Agreement remains adequate and compatible with the requirements of Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act (Act) and must maintain certain information. NRC conducts periodic evaluations through IMPEP to ensure that these programs are compatible with the NRC's, meet the applicable parts of the Act, and are adequate to protect public health and safety.

A copy of the final supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F21, Rockville, Maryland 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC World Wide Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/index.html>. The document will be available on the NRC 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 May 28, 2004. 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. OMB Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0183), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3087.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo. Shelton, (301) 415-7233.

Dated in Rockville, Maryland, this 22nd day of April, 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Brenda Jo. Shelton,**

*NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 050-206, 050-361, and 050-362]

### Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for an Exemption From Certain Control and Tracking Requirements in 10 CFR Part 20 Appendix G Section III.E for the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station in San Diego County, CA

#### I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of an exemption from certain control and tracking requirements in 10 CFR part 20 for the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS). The SONGS site consists of two operating reactors and a permanently shutdown nuclear reactor facility located in San Diego County, California. Inherent to the decommissioning process, large volumes of slightly contaminated rubble and debris are generated and require disposal. On January 26, 2004, Southern California Edison (the licensee) requested an exemption from the requirements in 10 CFR part 20, appendix G section III.E to investigate and file a report to the NRC if shipments of low-level radioactive waste are not acknowledged by the intended recipient within 20 days after transfer to the shipper. This exemption would extend the time period that can elapse during shipments of low-level radioactive waste before the licensee is required to investigate and file a report to the NRC from 20 days to 35 days. The exemption request is based on a statistical analysis of the historical data of low-level radioactive waste shipment times from the licensee's site to the disposal site using rail or combination truck/rail shipping methods. The NRC staff has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) in support of this action, in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR part 51. The conclusion of the EA is a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed action.

#### II. EA Summary

The proposed action would grant an exemption to extend the 20-day investigation and reporting requirements for shipments of low-level radioactive waste to 35 days. Since 1999, the licensee has made over 150 shipments of low-level radioactive waste as part of the decommissioning efforts at the facility. MHF Logistical Solutions (MHF) is the rail broker company used by the licensee to perform these shipments. MHF