

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

AGENCY: U. S. 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.

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

2. *The title of the information collection:* "Reports Concerning Possible Non-Routine Emergency Generic Problems".

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:* Nuclear power reactor licensees, research and test reactors, and materials applicants and licensees.

6. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 1,032 responses (832 nuclear power reactor licensees; 200 materials applicants and licensees).

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 204 (104 nuclear power reactor licensees; 100 materials applicants and licensees).

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 369,440 (349,440 for nuclear power reactor licensees [8 responses × 420 hrs/response × 104 licensees] and 20,000 for materials applicants and licensees [2 responses × 100 hrs/response × 100 licensees]).

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

10. *Abstract:* NRC is requesting approval authority to collect information concerning possible non-routine generic problems which would require prompt action from NRC to preclude potential threats to 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, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide 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 August 16, 2006. 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. John A. Asalone, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0012), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be e-mailed to John_A._Asalone@omb.eop.gov or submitted by telephone at (202) 395-4650.

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

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of June, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**Excepted Service**

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This gives notice of OPM decisions granting authority to make appointments under Schedules A, B, and C in the excepted service as required by 5 CFR 6.6 and 213.103.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Guilford, Center for Leadership and Executive Resources Policy, Division for Strategic Human Resources Policy, 202-606-1391.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Appearing in the listing below are the individual authorities established under Schedules A, B, and C between May 1, 2006 and May 31, 2006. Future notices will be published on the fourth Tuesday of each month, or as soon as possible thereafter. A consolidated listing of all authorities as of June 30 is published each year.

Schedule A

No Schedule A appointments were approved for May 2006.

Schedule B

No Schedule B appointments were approved for May 2006.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointments were approved during May 2006:

Section 213.3303 Executive Office of the President

Office of Management and Budget

BOGS00153 Director of Operations to the Director Office of Management and Budget. Effective May 25, 2006.

BOGS60155 Special Assistant to the Director Office of Management and Budget. Effective May 25, 2006.

Office of National Drug Control Policy

QQGS60090 Public Affairs Specialist to the Counselor to the Deputy Director. Effective May 17, 2006.

Section 213.3304 Department of State

DSGS60947 Staff Assistant (Visits) to the Supervisory Protocol Officer (Visits). Effective May 4, 2006.

DSGS61085 Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Effective May 4, 2006.

DSGS61086 Public Affairs Specialist to the Director, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement. Effective May 4, 2006.

DSGS61087 Legislative Management Officer to the Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective May 4, 2006.

DSGS61079 Staff Assistant to the Coordinator for International Information Programs. Effective May 9, 2006.

DSGS61080 Staff Assistant to the Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs. Effective May 9, 2006.

DSGS60747 Staff Assistant to the Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs. Effective May 17, 2006.

DSGS61083 Public Affairs Specialist to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 18, 2006.

DSGS61091 Special Assistant to the Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs. Effective May 25, 2006.

Section 213.3305 Department of the Treasury

DYGS00470 Senior Advisor to the Deputy Assistant Secretary (Public Liaison, Strategic Planning and Business Development). Effective May 12, 2006.

DYGS00471 Public and Legislative Affairs Manager to the Director Community Development Financial Institutions. Effective May 18, 2006.

DYGS60418 Special Assistant to the Executive Secretary. Effective May 18, 2006.

Section 213.3306 Department of Defense

DDGS16933 Special Assistant to the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology). Effective May 4, 2006.

DDGS16943 Administrative Assistant to the Director, Department of Defense Office of Legislative Counsel. Effective May 12, 2006.

- DDGS16941 Special Assistant to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legal Affairs). Effective May 15, 2006.
- DDGS16944 Public Affairs Specialist to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs). Effective May 15, 2006.
- DDGS16940 Research Assistant to the Speechwriter, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs). Effective May 19, 2005.
- DDGS16948 Special Assistant to the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller). Effective May 30, 2006.
- DDGS16951 Defense Fellow to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for White House Liaison. Effective May 30, 2006.
- Section 213.3308 Department of the Navy*
- DNGS60075 Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller). Effective May 16, 2006.
- Section 213.3309 Department of the Air Force*
- DFGS60046 Budget Analyst to the Assistant Secretary (Financial Management and Comptroller). Effective May 25, 2006.
- Section 213.3310 Department of Justice*
- DJGS00291 Deputy Chief Privacy and Civil Liberties Officer and Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General. Effective May 15, 2006.
- DJGS00328 Associate Director to the Director, Office of Intergovernmental and Public Liaison. Effective May 18, 2006.
- DJGS00054 Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General (Legal Policy). Effective May 25, 2006.
- DJGS00183 Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General. Effective May 25, 2006.
- Section 213.3311 Department of Homeland Security*
- DMGS00512 Advance Representative to the Advance Representative, Office of the Chief of Staff. Effective May 1, 2006.
- DMGS00513 Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for Grants and Training to the Executive Director, Office of Grants and Training. Effective May 1, 2006.
- DMGS00504 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection. Effective May 4, 2006.
- DMGS00516 Confidential Assistant to the Executive Secretary. Effective May 4, 2006.
- DMGS00514 Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Effective May 5, 2006.
- DMGS00520 Confidential Assistant to the White House Liaison and Advisor. Effective May 10, 2006.
- DMGS00524 Press Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 10, 2006.
- DMGS00526 Deputy White House Liaison to the White House Liaison and Advisor. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DMGS00521 Press Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 16, 2006.
- DMGS00523 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Effective May 16, 2006.
- DMGS00525 Policy Assistant to the Deputy Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Effective May 16, 2006.
- DMGS00527 Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs to the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs. Effective May 16, 2006.
- DMGS00530 Deputy Press Secretary to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 16, 2006.
- DMGS00522 Assistant Press Secretary to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 18, 2006.
- DMGS00528 Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff to the General Counsel and Associate General Counsel for Science and Technology. Effective May 25, 2006.
- DMGS00529 Director of Legislative Affairs for Border, Transportation, and Immigration Security to the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs. Effective May 25, 2006.
- DMOT00519 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Transportation Security Administration. Effective May 31, 2006.
- Section 213.3312 Department of the Interior*
- DIGS01068 Special Assistant to the Secretary for Alaska to the Senior Advisor to the Secretary for Alaskan Affairs. Effective May 18, 2006.
- DIGS01067 Special Assistant—Scheduling and Advance to the Director—Scheduling and Advance. Effective May 25, 2006.
- DIGS01069 Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 25, 2006.
- DIGS01064 Hispanic Media Outreach Coordinator to the Director, Office of Communications. Effective May 30, 2006.
- Section 213.3313 Department of Agriculture*
- DAGS00842 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration. Effective May 12, 2006.
- Section 213.3314 Department of Commerce*
- DCGS00275 Confidential Assistant to the Director, Office of Business Liaison. Effective May 11, 2006.
- DCGS00593 Senior Advisor to the Coordinator for International Intellectual Property Enforcement. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DCGS00346 Confidential Assistant to the Director Office of White House Liaison. Effective May 25, 2006.
- DCGS00452 Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective May 25, 2006.
- DCGS00540 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 31, 2006.
- Section 213.3315 Department of Labor*
- DLGS60179 Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards. Effective May 11, 2006.
- DLGS60135 Special Assistant to the Director, 21st Century Office and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DLGS60121 Special Assistant to the Director of Operations. Effective May 25, 2006.
- Section 213.3316 Department of Health and Human Services*
- DHGS60485 Director of Communications to the Assistant Secretary, Health. Effective May 4, 2006.
- DHGS60240 Regional Director, Dallas, Texas, Region VI to the Director of Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective May 8, 2006.
- DHGS60034 Senior Advisor to the Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service. Effective May 16, 2006.
- Section 213.3317 Department of Education*
- DBGS00522 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 4, 2006.
- DBGS00523 Director, White House Liaison to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 4, 2006.
- DBGS00517 Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education. Effective May 5, 2006.
- DBGS00524 Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff to the Deputy Secretary. Effective May 5, 2006.
- DBGS00518 Special Assistant to the Director, Regional Services. Effective May 8, 2006.
- DBGS00521 Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategy to the Chief of Staff. Effective May 9, 2006.
- DBGS00525 Confidential Assistant to the Executive Assistant. Effective May 10, 2006.
- DBGS00531 Press Secretary to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Communications and Outreach. Effective May 10, 2006.
- DBGS00527 Confidential Assistant to the Director, Scheduling and Advance Staff. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DBGS00532 Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Educational Technology. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DBGS00533 Special Assistant to the Director, White House Liaison. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DBGS00534 Special Assistant to the Under Secretary. Effective May 12, 2006.
- DBGS00528 Chief of Staff to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Innovation and Improvement. Effective May 18, 2006.
- DBGS00526 Confidential Assistant to the Executive Director. Effective May 19, 2006.
- DBGS00536 Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective May 19, 2006.
- Section 213.3318 Environmental Protection Agency*
- EPGS06011 Program Specialist to the Assistant Administrator for Environmental Information. Effective May 17, 2006.

Section 213.3325 United States Tax Court

JCGS60044 Secretary (Confidential Assistant) to the Chief Judge. Effective May 1, 2006.

JCGS60063 Secretary (Confidential Assistant) to the Chief Judge. Effective May 1, 2006.

JCGS60079 Trial Clerk to the Chief Judge. Effective May 1, 2006.

Section 213.3331 Department of Energy

DEGS00520 Policy Advisor to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Natural Gas and Petroleum Technology. Effective May 11, 2006.

DEGS00514 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health. Effective May 16, 2006.

Section 213.3346 Selective Service System

SSGS03373 Administrative Assistant to the Director, Selective Service System. Effective May 5, 2006.

Section 213.3348 National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NNGS00171 Senior Legislative Affairs Program Specialist to the Assistant Administrator for Legislative Affairs. Effective May 17, 2006.

NNGS00172 Congressional Relations Specialist to the Assistant Administrator for Legislative Affairs. Effective May 30, 2006.

Section 213.3356 Commission on Civil Rights

CCGS60031 General Counsel to the Staff Director. Effective May 25, 2006.

Section 213.3384 Department of Housing and Urban Development

DUGS60151 Staff Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 4, 2006.

DUGS60385 Staff Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 8, 2006.

DUGS60411 Special Assistant to the General Counsel. Effective May 10, 2006.

DUGS60373 Media Outreach Specialist to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective May 31, 2006.

Section 213.3394 Department of Transportation

DTGS60376 Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization to the Secretary. Effective May 10, 2006.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

Office of Personnel Management.

Dan G. Blair,

Deputy Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

Upon written request, copies available from: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension:

Rule 12d1–1; SEC File No. 270–526; OMB Control No. 3235–0584.

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 (the “Commission”) is soliciting comments on the collections of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit these existing collections of information to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

Under current law, an investment company (“fund”) is limited in the amount of securities the fund (“acquiring fund”) can acquire from another fund (“acquired fund”). In general under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a) (the “Investment Company Act” or “Act”), a registered fund (and companies it controls) cannot: (i) Acquire more than three percent of another fund’s securities; (ii) invest more than five percent of its own assets in another fund; or (iii) invest more than ten percent of its own assets in other funds in the aggregate.¹ In addition, a registered open-end fund, its principal underwriter, and any registered broker or dealer cannot sell that fund’s shares to another fund if, as a result: (i) The acquiring fund (and any companies it controls) owns more than three percent of the acquired fund’s stock; or (ii) all acquiring funds (and companies they control) in the aggregate own more than ten percent of the acquired fund’s stock.² Rule 12d1–1 under the Act (17 CFR 270.12d1–1) provides an exemption from these limitations for “cash sweep” arrangements, in which a fund invests all or a portion of its available cash in a money market fund rather than directly in short-term instruments. An acquiring fund relying on the exemption may not pay a sales load, distribution fee, or service fee on acquired fund shares, or if it does, the acquiring fund’s investment adviser

must waive a sufficient amount of its advisory fee to offset the cost of the loads or distribution fees.³ The acquired fund may be a fund in the same fund complex or in a different fund complex. In addition to providing an exemption from section 12(d)(1) of the Act, the rule provides exemptions from section 17(a) and Rule 17d–1, which restrict a fund’s ability to enter into transactions and joint arrangements with affiliated persons.⁴ These provisions could otherwise prohibit an acquiring fund from investing in a money market fund in the same fund complex,⁵ or prohibit a fund that acquires five percent or more of the securities of a money market fund in another fund complex from making any additional investments in the money market fund.⁶

The rule also permits a registered fund to rely on the exemption to invest in an unregistered money market fund that limits its investments to those in which a registered money market fund may invest under Rule 2a 7 under the Act (17 CFR 270.2a 7), and undertakes to comply with all the other provisions of Rule 2a 7. In addition the acquiring fund must reasonably believe that the unregistered money market fund (i) Operates in compliance with Rule 2a 7, (ii) complies with sections 17(a), (d), (e), 18, and 22(e) of the Act⁷ as if it were a registered open-end fund, (iii) has adopted procedures designed to ensure that it complies with these statutory provisions, (iv) maintains the records required by Rules 31a 1(b)(2)(ii), 31a 1(b)(2)(iv), and 31a–1(b)(9);⁸ and (v) preserves permanently, the first two

³ See Rule 12d1–1(b)(1).

⁴ See 15 U.S.C. 80a–17(a), 15 U.S.C. 80a–17(d); 17 CFR 270.17d–1.

⁵ An affiliated person of a fund includes any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such other person. See 15 U.S.C. 80a–2(a)(3)(C) (definition of “affiliated person”). Most funds today are organized by an investment adviser that advises or provides administrative services to other funds in the same complex. Funds in a fund complex are generally under common control of an investment adviser or other person exercising a controlling influence over the management or policies of the funds. See 15 U.S.C. 80a–2(a)(9). Not all advisers control funds they advise. The determination of whether a fund is under the control of its adviser, officers, or directors depends on all the relevant facts and circumstances. See Investment Company Mergers, Investment Company Act Release No. 25259 (Nov. 8, 2001) [66 FR 57602 (Nov. 15, 2001)], at n.11. To the extent that an acquiring fund in a fund complex is under common control with a money market fund in the same complex, the funds would rely on the Rule’s exemptions from section 17(a) and Rule 17d–1.

⁶ See 15 U.S.C. 80a–2(a)(3)(A), (B).

⁷ See 15 U.S.C. 80a–17(a), 15 U.S.C. 80a–17(d), 15 U.S.C. 80a–17(e), 15 U.S.C. 80a–18, 15 U.S.C. 80a–22(e).

⁸ See 17 CFR 270.31a–1(b)(2)(ii), 17 CFR 270.31a–1(b)(2)(iv), 17 CFR 270.31a–1(b)(9).

¹ See 15 U.S.C. 80a–12(d)(1)(A). If an acquiring fund is not registered, these limitations apply only with respect to the acquiring fund’s acquisition of registered funds.

² See 15 U.S.C. 80a–12(d)(1)(B).