

presentations by representatives of the State of Nevada, including comments on studies conducted by the state related to materials proposed for use in the waste package. The DOE will present updates on ongoing scientific and engineering studies at the Yucca Mountain site, including results of testing in the exploratory tunnels, isotope studies, and estimating volcanic hazard. In the afternoon, discussions will begin on the TSPA that is used by the DOE to estimate potential repository performance. In particular, the DOE will make presentations on TSPA results, their uncertainties, and the individual components that make up the TSPA. Critical assumptions underlying the models used to estimate the performance of a potential repository also will be discussed.

The presentations on the TSPA will resume on Wednesday, August 2, and will continue until midafternoon, when the DOE will update the Board on the development of the DOE's safety strategy for a potential Yucca Mountain repository, including principal factors affecting repository performance, defense-in-depth, natural analogs, and the vulnerabilities, uses, and limitations of the safety case.

Several opportunities for public comment will be provided: before the lunch break and at the end of the day on August 1 and at the end of the session on August 2. Those wanting to speak are encouraged to sign the "Public Comment Register" at the check-in table. A time limit may have to be set on individual remarks, but written comments of any length may be submitted for the record. Interested parties also will have the opportunity to submit questions in writing to the Board. As time permits, the questions will be answered during the meeting.

A detailed agenda will be available approximately one week before the meeting. Copies of the agenda can be requested by telephone or obtained from the Board's Web site at www.nwtrb.gov. Transcripts of the meeting will be available on the Board's Web site, via e-mail, on computer disk, and on a library-loan basis in paper format from Davonya Barnes of the Board staff, beginning on September 4, 2000.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Pinon Plaza Resort. Reservations must be made by July 10 to receive the meeting rate. When making a reservation, please state that you are attending the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board meeting. For more information, contact the NWTRB, Karyn Severson, External Affairs, 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 1300; Arlington, VA 22201-3367; (tel) 703-

235-4473; (fax) 703-235-4495; (e-mail) info@nwtrb.gov.

The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board was created by Congress in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987. The Board's purpose is to evaluate the technical and scientific validity of activities undertaken by the Secretary of Energy related to managing the disposal of the nation's spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste. In the same legislation, Congress directed the DOE to characterize a site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, to determine its suitability as the location of a potential repository for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

Dated: June 26, 2000.

William D. Barnard,

Executive Director, Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Open Season Express Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of a revised information collection. The FEHB Open Season Express IVR System collects the following information from annuitants and survivors: Retirement Claim Number (CSA or CSF), Personal Identification Number (PIN), FEHB plan code for requesting plan brochures, FEHB plan code for making an enrollment change, and dependent information for self and family enrollments. Annuitants and survivors may request a copy of the FEHB Customer Satisfaction Survey results, cancel or suspend FEHB benefits, request payment directly to OPM where FEHB payment is greater than the monthly annuity amount, or request a change of address through the IVR system.

Comments are particularly invited on: whether this information is necessary for the proper performance of functions

of OPM, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Approximately 75,000 requests will be completed annually. Each request takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 12,525 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, or E-mail to mbtoomey@opm.gov

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before September 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—James K. Friert, Chief, Retirement Services Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management 1900 E Street, NW, Room 1312, Washington, DC 20415.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION—CONTACT: Donna G. Lease, Team Leader, Forms Analysis and Design, Budget and Administrative Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,
Director.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee; Open Committee Meetings

According to the provisions of section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given that meetings of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee will be held on—Thursday, July 6, 2000; Thursday, July 20, 2000; Thursday, August 3, 2000; Thursday, August 17, 2000.

The meeting will start at 10 a.m. and will be held in Room 5A06A, Office of Personnel Management Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee is composed of a Chair, five representatives from labor unions holding exclusive bargaining rights for Federal blue-collar employees, and five representatives from Federal agencies. Entitlement to membership on the