

Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW, Washington, DC, by the above date.

For further details with respect to the action see: (1) the application for amendment and (2) the Commission's Compliance Evaluation Report. These items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW, Washington, DC, and at the Local Public Document Room.

Date of amendment request: June 11, 1998.

Brief description of amendment: The United States Enrichment Corporation (USEC) submitted a certificate amendment request for the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PORTS) to delete the requirement in The Plan for Achieving Compliance with NRC Regulations at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant (Compliance Plan) Issue 11, Plan of Action and Schedule, to install evacuation horns/lights in the X-744H warehouse and to tie them to the X-744G warehouse Criticality Accident Alarm System (CAAS). Prior to requesting approval from the NRC for changes to the Plan of Action and Schedule section of the Compliance Plan, USEC is required to obtain the Department of Energy's (DOE's) approval. As such, USEC in a letter dated May 7, 1998, requested DOE approval of the change. DOE's approval was granted on May 29, 1998.

Issue 11 of the Compliance Plan was originally developed by DOE to ensure that workers in X-744H would be alerted immediately if an inadvertent criticality occurred in X-744H. The criticality in X-744H would be detected by the CAAS cluster of instruments located in X-744G which is about 300 feet from X-744H. However, recent operational changes, which includes the transfer of fissile material operations (FMOs) of concern from X-744H to another facility which is already covered by a CAAS, and the intrinsic nature of the residual contaminated material stored in X-744H, do not warrant CAAS coverage for X-744H, since a criticality accident in this facility is not credible.

Basis for Finding of No Significance

1. The proposed amendment will not result in a change in the types or significant increase in the amounts of any effluents that may be released offsite.

This amendment deletes the Compliance Plan requirement to install criticality alarms (horns/lights) in X-

744H and to tie them to the existing X-744G CAAS. It does not involve systems that are used to prevent or mitigate effluents that may be released offsite. Therefore, this amendment will not result in a significant change in the types or significant increase in the amounts of any effluents that may be released offsite.

2. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure.

This amendment deletes the Compliance Plan requirement to install criticality alarms (horns/lights) in X-744H and to tie them to the existing X-744G CAAS. This requirement was included in the Compliance Plan before certification to ensure that workers in X-744H would be alerted immediately if an inadvertent criticality occurred in X-744H. However, since that time, USEC has transferred the FMOs of concern to another facility covered by a CAAS thus reducing the likelihood of a criticality in X-744H to insignificant levels. In addition, the X-744H facility is more than 200 feet from the nearest FMO of concern which places it outside the range of significant criticality doses. Therefore, not requiring CAAS coverage for this amendment would not adversely affect criticality safety for X-744H. For these reasons, the proposed amendment will not result in a significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposures.

3. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant construction impact.

The proposed amendment does not involve any construction, therefore, there will be no construction impacts.

4. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant increase in the potential for, or radiological or chemical consequences from, previously analyzed accidents.

For the reasons provided in the assessment of criterion 2, the proposed amendment will not result in a significant increase in the potential for, or radiological or chemical consequences from, previously analyzed accidents.

5. The proposed amendment will not result in the possibility of a new or different kind of accident.

For the reasons provided in the assessment of criterion 2, the proposed amendment will not result in new or different kinds of accidents.

6. The proposed amendment will not result in a significant reduction in any margin of safety.

For the reasons provided in the assessment of criterion 2, the proposed amendment will not result in a

significant reduction in any margin of safety.

7. The proposed amendment will not result in an overall decrease in the effectiveness of the plant's safety, safeguards, or security programs.

For the reasons provided in the assessment of criterion 2, the proposed amendment will not result in an overall decrease in the effectiveness of the plant's safety program.

The staff has not identified any safeguards or security related implications from the proposed amendment. Therefore, the proposed amendment will not result in an overall decrease in the effectiveness of the plant's safeguards or security programs.

Effective date: The amendment to GDP-2 will become effective five (5) days after issuance by NRC.

Certificate of Compliance No. GDP-2: Amendment will revise PORTS Compliance Plan Issue 11.

Local Public Document Room location: Portsmouth Public Library, 1220 Gallia Street, Portsmouth, Ohio 45662.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of July 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Malcolm R. Knapp,

Acting Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Submission of Information Collection for OMB Review; Comment Request; Liability for Termination of Single-Employer Plans

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of request for extension of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("PBGC") is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") extend approval, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, of a collection of information in its regulation on Employer Liability (29 CFR Part 4062) (OMB control number 1212-0017). This notice informs the public of the PBGC's request and solicits public comment on the collection of information.

DATES: Comments should be submitted by September 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of

Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, Washington, DC 20503. Copies of the request for extension (including the collection of information) are available from the Communications and Public Affairs Department of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, suite 240, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC, 20005-4026, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on business days.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Catherine B. Klion, Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4026, 202-326-4024. (For TTY/TDD users, call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4062 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 provides that the contributing sponsor of a single-employer pension plan and members of the sponsor's controlled group ("the employer") incur liability ("employer liability") if the plan terminates with assets insufficient to pay benefit liabilities under the plan. The PBGC's statutory lien for employer liability and the payment terms for employer liability are affected by whether and to what extent employer liability exceeds 30 percent of the employer's net worth.

Section 4062.6 of the PBGC's employer liability regulation (29 CFR 4062.6) requires a contributing sponsor or member of the contributing sponsor's controlled group who believes employer liability upon plan termination exceeds 30 percent of the employer's net worth to so notify the PBGC and to submit net worth information. This information is necessary to enable the PBGC to determine whether and to what extent employer liability exceeds 30 percent of the employer's net worth.

The collection of information under the regulation has been approved by OMB under control number 1212-0017. The PBGC is requesting that OMB extend its approval for three years.

The PBGC estimates that an average of 13 contributing sponsors or controlled group members per year will respond to this collection of information. The PBGC further estimates that the average annual burden of this collection of information will be 12 hours and \$1,800 per respondent, with an average total annual burden of 156 hours and \$23,400.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 5th day of August, 1998.

Stuart A. Sirkin,

Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Submission of Information Collection for OMB Review; Comment Request; Disclosure to Participants

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of request for extension of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("PBGC") is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") extend approval, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, of a collection of information in its regulation on Disclosure to Participants (29 CFR Part 4011) (OMB control number 1212-0050). This notice informs the public of the PBGC's request and solicits public comment on the collection of information.

DATES: Comments should be submitted by September 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, Washington, DC 20503. Copies of the request for extension (including the collection of information) are available from the Communications and Public Affairs Department of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, suite 240, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC, 20005-4026, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on business days.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4011 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 requires plan administrators of certain underfunded single-employer pension plans to provide an annual notice to plan participants and beneficiaries of

the plan's funding status and the limits on the PBGC's guarantee.

The PBGC's regulation implementing this provision (29 CFR Part 4011) prescribes which plans are subject to the notice requirement, who is entitled to receive the notice, and the time, form, and manner of issuance of the notice. The notice provides recipients with meaningful, understandable, and timely information that will help them become better informed about their plans and assist them in their financial planning. (The regulation may be accessed on the PBGC's home page at <http://www.pbgc.gov>.)

The collection of information under the regulation has been approved by OMB under control number 1212-0050. The PBGC is requesting that OMB extend its approval for three years.

The PBGC estimates that an average of 3,500 plans per year will respond to this collection of information. The PBGC further estimates that the average annual burden of this collection of information will be 1.97 hours and \$74 per plan, with an average total annual burden of 6,904 hours and \$258,900.

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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, August 12, 1998
Thursday, August 27, 1998

The meetings 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 Committee is provided for in 5 U.S.C. 5347.

The Committee's primary responsibility is to review the Prevailing