

Therefore, OMB approval has been requested by March 16, 1999. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. ALL comments and/or questions pertaining to this pending request for emergency approval MUST be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Mr. Stuart Shapiro, 202-395-7316, Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Comments regarding the emergency submission of this information collection may also be submitted via facsimile to Mr. Shapiro at 202-395-6974.

During the first 60 days of this same period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. During the regular review period, the INS requests written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning this information collection. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until May 17, 1999. During 60-day regular review, ALL comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, to include obtaining a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan, 202-514-3291, Director, Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 5307, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* New collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in an Employment Eligibility Confirmation Pilot Program.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* No Agency Form Number. SAVE Program, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Business or other for-profit. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) enables the INS to collect employer information from each site that will be performing queries. The MOU also provides specific terms and conditions governing the pilot.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 4,000 responses at 1.5 hours per response; 300,000 queries at 1 minute (.016 hours) per response; 105,250 secondary queries at 5 minutes (.083 hours) per response; and 10,500 tertiary queries at 15 minutes (.25 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 22,161 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: March 12, 1999.

**Richard A. Sloan,**

*Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice Immigration and Naturalization Service.*

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## NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

[CFDA No. 84.257I]

### Literacy Leader Fellowship Program

**AGENCY:** National Institute for Literacy.

**ACTION:** Notice inviting applications for the Literacy Leader Fellowship Program.

*Purpose of Program:* The Literacy Leader Fellowship Program is designed to provide Federal financial assistance to adult learners and to individuals pursuing careers in adult education or literacy in the areas of instruction, research, or innovation. Under the program, literacy workers and adult learners are applicants for fellowships.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* Applications must be

received at the National Institute for Literacy no later than 5:00 p.m. May 14, 1999.

*Available Funds:* \$125,000.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* \$30,000-\$50,000.

*Estimated Average Size of Awards:* \$37,000.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 3-4.

**Note:** The National Institute for Literacy is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Projects will be not less than three and no more than 12 months of full or part-time activity. Projects will begin no earlier than September 1999, and end no later than September 2000.

*Applicable Regulations:* The regulations governing the National Institute for Literacy's Literacy Leader Fellowship Program as published in the June 25, 1997 issue of the **Federal Register**. The regulations are also available on-line at <http://www.nifl.gov/activities/fllwhome.htm>.

While the Institute's administered by an Interagency agreement with the U.S. Department of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services, the specific policies and procedures of these agencies regarding rulemaking and administration of grants are not adopted by the Institute except as expressly stated in this Notice and in the regulations.

*Transmittal of Applications:* An original and seven (7) copies of applications for award must be received by the Institute on or before the deadline date of May 14, 1999.

*Application delivered by mail:* Applications sent by mail must be addressed to National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006, Attention: (CFDA#84.257I).

An applicant is encouraged to use registered, certified, or first-class mail.

Late applicants will be notified that their applications will not be considered, and their applications will be returned.

*Applications delivered by Hand:* Applications that are hand-delivered must be taken to the National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC.

The Institute will accept hand-delivered applications between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Washington, DC time) daily, except Saturdays, Sundays and Federal holidays. Applications that are hand-delivered will not be accepted by the Institute after 5:00 p.m. on the due date.

*Acknowledgment of Applications:* The Institute will mail an Applicant Receipt Acknowledgment to each applicant within 15 days from the due

date. If an applicant fails to receive the application acknowledgment, call the National Institute for Literacy at (202) 632-1525.

The applicant must indicate on the outside of the envelope the CFDA number of the competition under which the application is being submitted.

**Application Forms:** Applicants are required to submit the following forms, assurances and certifications:

(a) Application Information and Budget Summary (NIFL Form No. 001)

(b) Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (Standard Form 424B).

(c) Certification Regarding Lobbying: Debarment, Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80-0013).

(d) Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form LLL) (if applicable); and

(e) Certification of Eligibility for Federal Assistance in Certain Programs (ED 80-0016)

The NIFL form, assurances, and certifications must each have an original signature. No award can be made unless these forms are submitted.

**Prescribed Format:** (a) Applicants will also be required to submit a proposal narrative. The narrative should be no more than 8 pages in length.

(b) The narrative format should meet the following criteria:

(i) The application should be double spaced.

(ii) The application should use 12 point font.

(iii) The application should have one inch margins on all four sides.

(c) Applicants should also submit a resume, budget narrative, and four letters of recommendation.

**Prescribed Order:** Applicants should arrange their application submission in the following order:

i. NIFL Form 001

ii. Budget Narrative

iii. Application Narrative

iv. Resume

v. Letters of Recommendation

vi. Standard Form 424B

vii. ED 80-0013

viii. Standard Form LLL (if applicable)

ix. ED 80-0016

**Priorities:** (a) The Director invites applications for Literacy Leader Fellowships that meet the following priorities for 1999.

(b) The priorities for 1999 are major areas of concern in the literacy field that are currently being addressed in the Institute's work.

(c) An application may be awarded up to 5 bonus points for addressing a priority or priorities, depending on how well the application meets the priority or priorities.

(d) The publication of these priorities does not bind the Institute to fund only applications addressing priorities. The Director is especially interested in fellowship applications that address one or more of the priorities, but not to the exclusion of other significant issues that may be proposed by applicants.

(e) The priorities selected from the regulations for 1999 are as follows:

(1) *Developing Leadership in Adult Learners.* Because Adult learners are the true experts on literacy, they are an important resource for the field. Their firsthand experience as "customers" of the literacy system can be invaluable in assisting the field in moving forward, particularly in terms of raising public awareness and understanding about literacy. Projects that enhance best practices or the adult learner network will be given priority consideration.

(2) *Expanding the Use of Technology in Literacy Programs.* One of the NIFL's major projects is the Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS), an Internet based information system that provides timely information and abundant resources to the literacy community. Keeping the literacy community up to date in the information age is vital. Projects that improve or increase use of technology will be given priority consideration.

(3) *Improving Accountability for Literacy Programs.* Legislation that has passed both houses of the U.S. Congress emphasizes that literacy programs must develop accountability systems that demonstrate their effectiveness in helping adult learners contribute more fully in the workplace, family and community. Projects that focus on results-oriented literacy practice, especially as related to the Equipped for the Future (EFF) framework, are a priority.

(4) *Raising Public Awareness about Literacy.* The LIFL is leading a national effort to raise public awareness that literacy is part of the solution to many social concerns, including the well-being of children, health, welfare and the economy. Projects that enhance this effort will be given priority consideration.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** National Educational Goal 6, which is included in the Goals 2000: Educate America Act, puts forward an ambitious agenda for adult literacy and lifelong learning in America. To further this goal, the Congress passed Public Law 102-73, the National Literacy Act of 1991, which is the first piece of national legislation to focus exclusively on literacy. The overall intent of the Act, as stated, is:

To enhance the literacy and basic skills of adults, to ensure that all adults in the United States acquire the basic skills necessary to function effectively and achieve the greatest possible opportunity in their work and in their lives and to strengthen and coordinate adult literacy programs.

In designing the Act, among the primary concerns shared by the Congress and literacy stakeholders was the fragmentation and lack of coordination among the many efforts in the field. To address these concerns, the Act created the National Institute for Literacy to:

(A) provide a national focal point for research, technical assistance, and research dissemination, policy analysis and program evaluation in the area of literacy; and

(B) facilitate a pooling of ideas and expertise across fragmented programs and research efforts.

Among the Institute's authorized activities is the awarding of fellowships to outstanding individuals who are pursuing careers in adult education or literacy in the areas of instruction, management, research, or innovation. These fellowships are to be awarded for activities that advance the field of adult education and literacy.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To receive an application or for further information, contact Julie Gedden, National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: 202-632-1515, Fax: 202-632-1512. E-mail: jgedden@nifl.gov. Information about the Literacy Leader Fellowship program is also available on-line (including many of the required forms) at <http://www.nifl.gov/activities/flwhome.htm>

#### **Instructions for Estimated Public Reporting Burden**

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 3430-0003, Expiration Date 6/30/2000. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 20 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and disseminating the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: the National Institute for Literacy, 800

Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 200,  
Washington, DC 20006.

**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1213c.

Dated: March 12, 1999.

**Andrew J. Hartman,**

*Executive Director, NIFL.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Notice of pending NRC action to  
submit an information collection  
request to OMB and solicitation of  
public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The NRC is preparing a  
submittal to OMB for review of  
continued approval of information  
collections under the provisions of the  
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44  
U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the  
requirement to be submitted:

1. The title of the information  
collection:

10 CFR Part 74—Material Control and  
Accounting of Special Nuclear Material  
NUREG 1065, Rev. 2—Acceptable  
Standard Format and Content for the  
Fundamental Nuclear Material Control  
(FNMC) Plan Required for Low  
Enriched Uranium Facilities

NUREG/CR 5734—Recommendations  
to the NRC on Acceptable Standard  
Format and Content for the  
Fundamental Nuclear Material Control  
(FNMC) Plan Required for Low-  
Enriched Uranium Enrichment  
Facilities

NUREG 1280, Rev. 1—Standard  
Format and Content Acceptance Criteria  
for the Material Control and Accounting  
(MC&A) Reform Amendment

2. Current OMB approval number:  
3150-0123.

3. How often the collection is  
required: Submission of the  
fundamental nuclear material control  
plan is a one-time requirement which  
has been completed by all current  
licensees. Specified inventory and  
material status reports are required  
annually or semiannually. Other reports  
are submitted as events occur.

4. Who is required or asked to report:  
Persons licensed under 10 CFR Parts 70  
or 72 who possess and use certain forms  
and quantities of special nuclear  
material.

5. The number of annual responses:  
24

6. The number of hours needed  
annually to complete the requirement or  
request: The total number of hours  
needed annually to complete the  
reporting and recordkeeping  
requirements is 5,323 (223 hours for  
reporting and 5,100 hours for  
recordkeeping).

7. Abstract: 10 CFR Part 74 establishes  
requirements for material control and  
accounting of special nuclear material,  
and specific performance-based  
regulations for licensees authorized to  
possess and use strategic special nuclear  
material, or to possess and use, or  
produce, special nuclear material of low  
strategic significance. The information  
is used by the NRC to make licensing  
and regulatory determinations  
concerning material control and  
accounting of special nuclear material  
and to satisfy obligations of the United  
States to the International Atomic  
Energy Agency (IAEA). Submission or  
retention of the information is  
mandatory for persons subject to the  
requirements.

Submit, by May 17, 1999, 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 draft supporting  
statement may be viewed free of charge  
at the NRC Public Document Room,  
2120 L Street, NW (lower level),  
Washington, DC. OMB clearance  
requests are available at the NRC  
worldwide web site ([http://  
www.nrc.gov/NRC/NEWS/OMB/  
index.html](http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NEWS/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 about the  
information collection requirements  
may be directed to the NRC Clearance  
Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear  
Regulatory Commission, T-6 F33,  
Washington, DC, 20555-0001, or by  
telephone at 301-415-7233, or by  
Internet electronic mail at  
BJS1@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day  
of March, 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Brenda Jo. Shelton,**

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

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323]

### Pacific Gas and Electric Company (Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2); Issuance of Director's Decision Under 2.206

Notice is hereby given that the  
director, Office of Nuclear Reactor  
Regulation has issued a director's  
decision with regard to a petition dated  
November 24, 1998, filed by Mr. David  
Lochbaum on behalf of the Union of  
Concerned Scientists, hereafter referred  
to as the "petitioner." The petition  
pertains to the Diablo Canyon Nuclear  
Power Plant (DCNPP), Units 1 and 2.

The petition requests that the  
Commission modify the operating  
licenses for Diablo Canyon Nuclear  
Power Plant to require the plant's  
owners to have an independent  
contractor evaluate the facility's safety  
culture. The petition also requests that  
the independent contractor monitor the  
safety culture until the United States  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)  
concurs that a safety conscious work  
environment has been established and  
maintained. The petition also requests  
an informal hearing to examine the  
concerns raised by the petition.

The director of the Office of Nuclear  
Reactor Regulation has determined that  
the request should be denied for the  
reasons stated in the "Director's  
Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206" (DD-99-  
05), the complete text of which follows  
this notice and which is available for  
public inspection at the Commission's  
Public Document Room, Gelman  
Building, 2120 L Street, NW.,  
Washington, DC 20555-0001, and at the  
local Public Document Room located at  
2 California Polytechnic State  
University, Robert E. Kennedy Library,  
Government Documents and Maps  
Department, San Luis Obispo, California  
93407.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day  
of March, 1999.