

fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and

(3) The availability of these exemptions is subject to the express condition that the material facts and representations contained in each application are true and complete and accurately describe all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption. In the case of continuing exemption transactions, if any of the material facts or representations described in the application change after the exemption is granted, the exemption will cease to apply as of the date of such change. In the event of any such change, application for a new exemption may be made to the Department.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 24th day of May, 1999.

**Ivan Strasfeld,**

*Director of Exemption Determinations,  
Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration,  
U.S. Department of Labor.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for 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: Extension.

2. The title of the information collection: 10 CFR part 33 -Specific Domestic Licenses of Broad Scope for Byproduct Material.

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

4. How often the collection is required: There is a one-time submittal of information to receive a license. Once a specific license has been issued, there

is a 10-year resubmittal of the information for renewal of the license.

5. Who will be required or asked to report: All applicants requesting a license of broad scope for byproduct material and all current licensees requesting renewal of a broad scope license.

6. An estimate of the number of responses: There are 177 NRC broad scope licensee responses and 354 Agreement State licensee responses annually for a total of 531.

7. The estimated number of annual respondents: 177 NRC broad scope licensees and 354 Agreement State licensees for a total of 531.

8. An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 4,425 hours for NRC licensees and 8,850 hours for Agreement State licensees.

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

10. Abstract: 10 CFR part 33 contains mandatory requirements for the issuance of a broad scope license authorizing the use of byproduct material. The subparts cover specific requirements for obtaining a license of broad scope. These requirements include equipment, facilities, personnel, and procedures adequate to protect health and minimize danger to life or property.

A copy of the final 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/PUBLIC/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 June 25, 1999. 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.

Erik Godwin, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0015), 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 21st day of May 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Brenda Jo. Shelton,**

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

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## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, and 50-287]

### Duke Energy Corporation, Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3; Notice of Availability of the Draft Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement and Public Meeting for the License Renewal of Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3

Notice is hereby given that the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has published a draft plant-specific supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS), NUREG-1437, regarding the renewal of operating licenses DPR-38, DPR-47, and DPR-55 for an additional 20 years of operation at the Oconee Nuclear Station (ONS), Units 1, 2, and 3, respectively. ONS is located in Oconee County, South Carolina.

The draft supplement to the GEIS is available for public inspection and duplication at the Commission's Public Document Room at the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street NW, Washington, D.C., and the Local Public Document Room located in the Oconee County Library, 501 West South Broad Street, Walhalla, South Carolina, 29691.

Any interested party may submit written comments on the proposed action and on the draft supplement to the GEIS for consideration by the NRC staff. To be certain of consideration, comments must be received by August 16, 1999. Comments received after the due date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC staff is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Written comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS should be sent to: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Mailstop T-6D 59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Comments may be hand-delivered to the NRC at 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays. Submittal of electronic comments may be sent by the Internet to the NRC at [oconeeis@nrc.gov](mailto:oconeeis@nrc.gov). All comments received by the Commission, including

those made by Federal, State, and local agencies, Indian tribes or other interested persons, will be made available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room in Washington, D.C. and the Local Public Document Room for the ONS Units 1, 2, and 3, located in the Oconee County Library.

The NRC staff will hold a public meeting to present an overview of the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS and to accept oral and written public comments it. The public meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn, Clemson, South Carolina, on July 8, 1999. There will be two sessions to accommodate interested parties. The first session will commence at 1:30 p.m. and will continue until 4:30 p.m. The second session will commence at 7:00 p.m. and will continue until 10:00 p.m. Both meetings will be transcribed and will include (1) a presentation of the contents of the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS, and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to provide comments on the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS. Persons may pre-register to attend or present oral comments at the meeting by contacting Mr. James H. Wilson by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 1108, or by Internet to the NRC at [oconeeis@nrc.gov](mailto:oconeeis@nrc.gov) no later than July 2, 1999. Members of the public may also register to provide oral comments within 15 minutes of the start of each session. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. If special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, the need should be brought to Mr. Wilson's attention no later than July 2, 1999, to provide the NRC staff adequate notice to determine whether the request can be accommodated.

Upon consideration of the comments submitted, the NRC staff will prepare a final plant-specific supplement to the GEIS. Notice of the availability of the final plant-specific supplement to the GEIS will be published in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Mr. James H. Wilson, Generic Issues, Environmental, Financial, and Rulemaking Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555. Mr. Wilson can be contacted at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 20th day of May, 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**David B. Matthews,**

*Director, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Project No. 697]

### Notice of Availability of Staff's Safety Evaluation on DOE's Topical Report on the Tritium Production Core

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is responsible for establishing the capability to produce tritium, an essential material used in U.S. nuclear weapons, by the end of 2005, in accordance with a Presidential decision directive. On July 30, 1998, as revised on February 10, 1999, DOE submitted a report to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) entitled, "Tritium Production Core (TPC) Topical Report." This report contained technical information related to the production of tritium using tritium-producing burnable absorber rods (TPBARs) in a commercial light-water reactor (CLWR). The NRC staff has reviewed this report and has prepared its safety evaluation.

The staff's safety evaluation, which will be issued as NUREG-1672, concluded that many technical issues have been satisfactorily addressed in the DOE topical report and identified a number of plant-specific interface issues that will need to be addressed in order to determine the acceptability of irradiating a full-core load of TPBARs in any particular CLWR facility.

NUREG-1672 is available for public inspection and copying for a fee at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2129 L Street, NW, Washington, DC. Printed copies of NUREG-1672 are available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, P.O. Box 37082, Washington, DC 20402-9328.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** J. H. Wilson, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, telephone (301) 415-1108; e-mail [JHW1@nrc.gov](mailto:JHW1@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 20th day of May, 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**David B. Matthews,**

*Director, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

### Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

#### Summary of Proposals

(1) *Collection title:* Application for Reimbursement for Hospital Services in Canada.

(2) *Form(s) submitted:* AA-104.

(3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0086.

(4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* 7/31/1999.

(5) *Type of request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(6) *Respondents:* Individuals or households.

(7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 35.

(8) *Total annual responses:* 35.

(9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 6.

(10) *Collection description:* The Railroad Retirement Board administers the Medicare program for persons covered by the Railroad Retirement system. The collection obtains the information needed to determine eligibility for and the amount due for covered hospital services received in Canada.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:** Copies of the form and supporting documents can be obtained from Chuck Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer (312-751-3363). Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092 and the OMB reviewer, Laurie Schack (202-395-7316), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503.

**Chuck Mierzwa,**

*Clearance Officer.*

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