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Signed at Washington, DC this 29th day of December 1999.

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Acting Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Intent To Extend an Information Collection

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Science Foundation (NSF) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects.

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by March 7, 2000 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR

COMMENTS: Contact Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 306-1125 x 2017; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday. You also may obtain a copy of the data collection instrument and instructions from Ms. Plimpton.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Survey of Earned Doctorates.

OMB Approval Number: 3145-0019.

Expiration Date of Approval: May 31, 2000.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to extend an information collection for three years.

Proposed Project: The Survey of Earned Doctorates has been conducted continuously since 1958 and is jointly sponsored by five Federal agencies in order to avoid duplication. It is an accurate, timely source of information on our Nation's most precious resource—highly educated individuals. Data is obtained from each person earning a research doctorate on their field of specialty, educational background, sources of support in graduate school, postgraduation plans for employment, and demographic characteristics. The information is used extensively by the Federal government, universities, and others. The National Science Foundation, as the lead agency, publishes statistics from the survey in many reports, but primarily in the annual publication series "Science and Engineering Doctorates" (available in print and electronically on the World Wide Web). The National Opinion Research Corporation, U. of Chicago, also disseminates a free report entitled "Summary Report: Doctorate Recipients from U.S. Universities."

A total response rate of 92% of the total 42,683 persons who earned a research doctorate was obtained in fiscal year 1998.

Estimate of Burden: The Foundation estimates that, on average, 20 minutes per respondent will be required to complete the survey, for a total of 14,228 hours for all respondents.

Respondents: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Responses: 42,683 (FY 1998 number).

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 14,228 hours total (FY 1998 number).

Dated: January 3, 2000.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324]

Carolina Power & Light Company (Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2); Order Approving Application Regarding Proposed Corporate Restructuring of Carolina Power & Light Company by Establishment of a Holding Company

I

Carolina Power and Light Company (CP&L) and North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency are the holders of Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62 for Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Units No. 1 and 2 (Brunswick 1 and 2), which were issued November 12, 1976, and November 27, 1974, respectively. CP&L owns a 81.67% interest in Brunswick 1 and 2.

II

Pursuant to Section 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and 10 CFR 50.80, CP&L filed an application dated September 15, 1999, which was supplemented by letters dated October 8, and November 10, 1999, requesting approval of the indirect transfer of Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62 for Brunswick 1 and 2 that would result from a proposed corporate restructuring of CP&L. Under the proposed restructuring, a new holding company, CP&L Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings"), will be formed and will become the parent company of CP&L. Current holders of CP&L common stock will receive, on a one-for-one basis, shares of common stock of Holdings such that Holdings will then own the common stock of CP&L. CP&L's ownership interests in, and its operation of, its nuclear facilities will not change. No direct transfer of the licenses will occur, as CP&L will continue to hold the licenses. No physical changes to the facilities or operational changes are being proposed in the application. According to the application, as a result of the new corporate structure, Holdings will be able to respond more effectively to increased competition in the energy industry. Notice of the application and an opportunity for hearing was published in the **Federal Register** on November 2, 1999 (64 FR 59220). No hearing requests were filed.

Under 10 CFR 50.80 and 72.50, no license shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license, unless the Commission gives its consent in writing. Upon review of the information submitted by