

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Office of Federal Procurement Policy

Rescission of Office of Federal Procurement Policy; Policy Letters 77-2, 78-2, 78-3, 78-4, 79-1, 79-2, 80-3, 80-6, 80-8, 81-1, 81-2, 82-1, 83-1, 83-2, 83-3, 84-1, 85-1, 89-1, 91-2, 91-4, 92-5, and 95-1

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Federal Procurement Policy.

ACTION: Rescission of Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) Policy Letters 77-2, 78-2, 78-3, 78-4, 79-1, 79-2, 80-3, 80-6, 80-8, 81-1, 81-2, 82-1, 83-1, 83-2, 83-3, 84-1, 85-1, 89-1, 91-2, 91-4, 92-5, and 95-1.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) is rescinding the following OFPP Policy Letters: 77-2, Section 502(c) of Pub. L. 95-89; 78-2, Preventing "Wage Busting" for Professionals: Procedures for Evaluating Contractor Proposals for Service Contracts; 78-3, Requests for Disclosure of Contractor-Supplied Information Obtained in the Course of a Procurement; 78-4, Field Contract Support Cross-Servicing Program; 79-1, Implementation of Section 15(k) of the Small Business Act, as amended: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization; 79-2, Boards of Contract Appeals: Position Allocation Pursuant to Public Law 95-563; 80-3, Regulatory Guidance on Pub. L. 95-563, the Contract Disputes Act of 1978; 80-6, Regulatory Guidance on Section 221 of Public Law 95-507; 80-8, Establishment of Procurement Data Reporting Requirements to Comply with Public Law 96-39 (as amended by Transmittal Memoranda Nos. 1, 2, and 3); 81-1, Procurement Procedures, Advance Procurement Planning, and Review of End-of-Year Purchases; 81-2, Policy Guidance for the Labor Surplus Area Programs; 82-1, Policy Guidance Concerning Government-wide Debarment, Suspension, and Ineligibility; 83-1, Withholding of Funds from Construction Contract Progress Payments; 83-2, Publicizing the Development of Procurement Policies and Regulations; 83-3, Procurement of Architect-Engineer Services, 84-1, Federally Funded Research and Development Centers; 85-1, Federal Acquisition Regulations System; 89-1, Conflict of Interest Policies Applicable to Consultants; 91-2, Service Contracting; 91-4, Use of Irrevocable Letters of Credit; 92-5, Past

Performance Information; and 95-1, Subcontracting Plans for Companies Supplying Commercial Items.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 30, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Gerich, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, 202-395-3501.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OFPP issued a notice of proposed rescission of these 22 Policy Letters that was published in the *Federal Register* on September 15, 1999 (64 FR 50108). No comments were received in response to the notice of proposed rescission.

As indicated in the Supplementary Information section of that notice, the rescission of these 22 Policy Letters reflects OFPP's conclusion that the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), as written, contains the current policy. Any policy embodied in the Policy Letters rescinded by this notice that is not reflected in the current FAR has been either superseded by subsequent statutory changes or is otherwise no longer necessary. Accordingly, OFPP Policy Letters 77-2, 78-2, 78-3, 78-4, 79-1, 79-2, 80-3, 80-6, 80-8, 81-1, 81-2, 82-1, 83-1, 83-2, 83-3, 84-1, 85-1, 89-1, 91-2, 91-4, 92-5, and 95-1 are hereby rescinded. No substantive FAR change is required by this action.

Eleven OFPP Policy Letters remain in effect. Copies of those Policy Letters can be obtained at the ARNet world wide website, <http://www.arnet.gov/Library/OFPP/PolicyLetters>.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts

Proposed Collection; Comments Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent to burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial

resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the NEA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection of: National Endowment for the Arts: Panelist Profile Form. A copy of the current information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below on or before May 30, 2000. The NEA is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility; and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

ADDRESSES: A.B. Spellman, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 516, Washington, DC 20506-0001, telephone (202) 682-5421 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 682-5049.

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Director, Administrative Services, National Endowment for the Arts.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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

Duke Energy Corporation (Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3); Exemption

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The Duke Energy Corporation (Duke/ the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-38, DPR-47, and DPR-55, that authorize operation of the Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 (Oconee), respectively. The licenses provide, among other things, that the facilities are subject to all rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory