NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13, (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation (NSF) is inviting the general public or other Federal agencies to comment on this proposed continuing information collection. The National Science Foundation (NSF) will publish periodic summaries of the proposed projects.

Comments: Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Foundation, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Foundation'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 those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by February 24, 2003 to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. Send comments to address below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 292–7556; 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: 2003 Survey Of Doctorate Recipients.

OMB Approval Number: 3145–0020.

Expiration Date of Approval: April 30, 2003.

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

1. Abstract

The Survey of Doctorate Recipients (SDR) has been conducted biennially since 1973. The 2003 SDR will consist of a sample of individuals under the age 76 who have earned research doctoral degrees in science and engineering from U.S. institutions. The purpose of this longitudinal study is to provide national estimates on the doctoral science and engineering workforce and changes in employment, education and demographic characteristics. The study is one of three components of the Scientists and Engineers Statistical Data System (SESTAT), which produces national estimates of the size and characteristics of the nation's science and engineering population.

The National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as subsequently amended, includes a statutory charge to ''* * * provide a central clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, and analysis of data on scientific and engineering resources, and to provide a source of information for policy formulation by other agencies of the Federal Government.'' The SDR is designed to comply with these mandates by providing information on the supply and utilization of nation's doctorate level scientists and engineers. Collected data will be used to produce estimates of the characteristics of these individuals. They will also provide necessary input into the SESTAT labor force data system, which produces national estimates of the size and characteristics of the country's science and engineering population. The Foundation uses this information to prepare congressionally mandated reports such as Women, Minorities and Persons with Disability in Science and Engineering and Science and Engineering Indicators. The NSF publishes statistics from the survey in many reports, but primarily in the biennial series, Characteristics of Doctoral Scientists and Engineers in the United States. A public release file of collected data, designed to protect respondent confidentiality, also is expected to be made available to research on CD–ROM and on the World Wide Web.

The National Opinion Research Corporation at University of Chicago will conduct the study for NSF. Data are obtained by mail questionnaire, computer assisted telephone interviews and web survey beginning October 2003. The survey will be collected in conformance with the Privacy Act of 1974 and the individual's response to the survey is voluntary. NSF will insure that all information collected will be kept strictly confidential and will be used only for research or statistical purposes, analyzing data, and preparing scientific reports and articles.

2. Expected Respondents

A statistical sample of approximately 40,000 U.S. doctorates will be contacted in 2003. A total response rate in 2001 was 83%.

3. Estimate of Burden

The amount of time to complete the questionnaire may vary depending on an individual's circumstance; however, on average it will take approximately 25 minutes to complete the survey. We estimate that the total annual burden will be 16,666 hours during the year.

Dated: December 18, 2002.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes: Call for Nominations

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Call for nominations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is advertising for nominations for three positions on the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI). These positions are: (1) Nuclear cardiology physician; (2) State government representative; and (3) patients' rights advocate.

DATES: Nominations are due on or before February 24, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit four copies of your resume or curriculum vitae to the Office of Human Resources, Attn: Ms. Joyce Riner, Mail Stop T2D32, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Angela R. Williamson, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; telephone (301) 415–5030; e-mail *arw@nrc.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ACMUI advises NRC on policy and technical issues that arise in the regulation of the medical use of byproduct material. Responsibilities include providing comments on changes to NRC rules, regulations, and guidance documents; evaluating certain non-

routine uses of byproduct material; providing technical assistance in licensing, inspection, and enforcement cases; and bringing key issues to the attention of NRC, for appropriate action.

ACMUI members possess the medical and technical skills needed to address evolving issues. The current membership is comprised of the following professionals: (a) Nuclear medicine physician; (b) nuclear cardiology physician; (c) medical physicist in nuclear medicine unsealed byproduct material; (d) therapy physicist; (e) radiation safety officer; (f) nuclear pharmacist; (g) two radiation oncologists; (h) patients' rights advocate; (i) Food and Drug Administration representative; (j) State government representative; (k) interventional cardiology physician; and (l) health care administrator.

NRC is inviting nominations for the approaching vacancies of nuclear cardiology physician, State government employee, and patients' rights advocate. The terms of the individuals currently occupying these positions on the ACMUI will end April 2004. Appointed ACMUI members serve a 3-year term, with possible reappointment to an additional 3-year term.

Nominees must be U.S. citizens and be able to devote approximately 80 hours per year to ACMUI business. Members who are not State or Federal employees are compensated for their services. In addition, members are reimbursed travel (including per-diem in lieu of subsistence) and are reimbursed secretarial and correspondence expenses. Full-time Federal employees or State government employees are reimbursed travel expenses only. Nominees will undergo a security background check and will be required to complete financial disclosure statements, to avoid conflict-of-interest issues.

Dated this 18th day December, 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer, Office of the Secretary of the Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act; Meeting

DATES: Weeks of December 23, 30, 2002, January 6, 13, 20, 27, 2003.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of December 23, 2002

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 23, 2002.

Week of December 30, 2002—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 30, 2002.

Week of January 6, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of January 6, 2003.

Week of January 13, 2003—Tentative

Tuesday, January 14, 2003

10 a.m.—Discussion of security issues (closed—Ex. 1).

2 p.m.—Briefing on NRC Lessons Learned: Davis-Besse RVH Degradation (public meeting) (contact: Stacey Rosenberg, 301–415–1733).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—*www.nrc.gov.*

Week of January 20, 2003—Tentative

Thursday, January 23, 2003

2 p.m.—Briefing on status of NMSS programs, performance, and plans—Materials Safety (public meeting) (contact: Claudia Seelig, 301–415–7243).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—*www.nrc.gov.*

Week of January 27, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of January 27, 2003.

* The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415–1292. Contact person for more information: R. Michelle Schroll (301) 415–1662.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: *www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html.*

Additional Information: The briefing on status of NRR programs, performance, and plans tentatively scheduled on January 14, 2003, has been rescheduled tentatively on February 10, 2003.

By a vote of 5–0 on December 17, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552b(e) and § 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that Affirmation of (a) Duke Cogema Stone & Webster (Savannah River Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility), CLI–02–03, 55 NRC 158 (2002) (Granting Applicant's Petition for Review of Board's Admission of Terrorism Contention in LBP–01–35, 54 NRC 403 (2002)), (b) Private Fuel Storage, L.L.C. (independent spent fuel storage installation), CLI–02–03, 55 NRC 155 (2002) (Accepting Referred Ruling Denying Admission of Utah's Terrorism Contention in LBP–01–37, 54 NRC 476 (2001)), (c) Duke Energy Corp. (McGuire Nuclear Station, units 1 & 2; Catawba Nuclear Station, units 1 & 2), CLI–02–06, 55 NRC 164 (2002) (Accepting Certification of Terrorism-related issue in LBP–02–04, 55 NRC 49 (2002)), (d) Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. (Millstone Nuclear Power Station, until no. 3), CLI–02–05, 55 NRC 131 (2002) (Accepting Referred Ruling Denying Admission of the Interventors' Terrorism Contention in LBP–02–05, 55 NRC 161 (2002)), (e) Duke Energy Corporation (McGuire Nuclear Station, units 1 & 2, Catawba Nuclear Station, units 1 & 2, and (f) Private Fuel Storage (Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation) Docket No. 72–22–ISFSI; Utah's ''Suggestion of Lack of Jurisdiction'' and Petition for Rulemaking under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act be held on December 18, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20555 (301–415–1969). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. if you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to *dkw@nrc.gov.*

Dated: December 17, 2002.

R. Michelle Schroll,

Acting Technical Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Biweekly Notice; Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Involving No SIgnificant Hazards Considerations

I. Background

Pursuant to Public Law 97–415, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC staff) is publishing this regular biweekly notice. Public Law 97–415 revised section 189 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), to require the Commission to publish notice of any amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, under a new provision of section