

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Office of Workers' Compensation Programs****OMB Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection**

**AGENCY:** Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of OMB extension under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) is announcing that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has extended, under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, a currently approved collection of information under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000, the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, and the Black Lung Benefits Act. This notice announces both the OMB number and expiration date.

**Compliance Date:** As of April 9, 2004, affected parties must continue to comply with the information collection requirements described below, which have been extended by OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shelby Hallmark, Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-3524, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: 202-693-0036 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 25, 2003, OWCP requested that OMB extend under the PRA a currently approved information collection for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000, as amended (EEOICPA), 42 U.S.C. 7384 *et seq.*, the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as amended (FECA), 5 U.S.C. 8101 *et seq.*, and the Black Lung Benefits Act, as amended (BLBA), 30 U.S.C. 901 *et seq.* The information collection requirements that needed to be extended by OMB are derived from regulations that implement these three statutes at 20 CFR 10.801, 30.701, 725.701 and 725.705, and consist of pharmacy billing data requirements that must be followed so bills that are submitted to OWCP for payment by the responsible program can be processed automatically.

On March 31, 2004, OMB approved this extension of a currently approved

collection of information for three years. The OMB control number assigned to this information collection is 1215-0194. The approval for this information collection will expire on March 31, 2007.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 2nd day of April, 2004.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[Docket No. 50-284]**

**Idaho State University Research Reactor Facility Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of an amendment for Facility Operating License No. R-110, issued to the Idaho State University (the licensee or ISU) for operation of the Idaho State University Reactor Facility (ISURF) located in Pocatello, Bannock County, Idaho.

**Environmental Assessment***Identification of the Proposed Action*

Renewal of the license (the proposed action) would allow an additional 20 years of operation for the Idaho State University Reactor Facility (ISURF). The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for amendment dated November 21, 1995, as supplemented on January 31, 2003 and July 10, 2003. The licensee submitted an Environmental Report for license renewal. Therefore, as required by 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

*Need for the Proposed Action*

The proposed action is needed to allow continued operation of the ISURF to continue educational training and academic research beyond the current term of the license.

**Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action**

The research reactor is on the campus of the Idaho State University in the Lillibridge Engineering Laboratory. Lillibridge Engineering Laboratory has research and teaching laboratories, lecture halls, classrooms, library/study room, offices, and workshops. It is

surrounded by similar facilities in the immediate area.

The ISURF is authorized by an NRC license to operate at steady-state thermal power levels up to a maximum of 5 watts(t). The operating license was issued on October 11, 1967. Facility modifications have been minor as outlined in the SAR. The licensee has not indicated any plans to significantly change the design or usage. Since initial operation, the gaseous Argon-41 radiological release has been conservatively estimated to be less than 185,000 becquerels per year (5 microcuries per year). Average concentrations of Argon-41 are conservatively estimated to be less than  $1.0 \times 10^{-12}$  microcuries/milliliter. This concentration is well below the 10 CFR 20, Appendix B, Table 2 limit of  $1.0 \times 10^8$  microcuries/milliliter. Since 1992, the facility has had no radiological liquid or solid radiological releases. Material has been stored as required. Radioactive waste has been transferred and disposed of following the requirements of the licensee's byproduct license. Currently, there are no plans to change any operating or radiological release practices or characteristics of the reactor during the license renewal period.

The NRC concludes that conditions are not expected to change and that the radiological effects of the continued operation will continue to be minimal. The radiological exposures for facility operations have been within regulatory limits and should remain so.

Currently, there are no plans to change any operating or radiological release practices or characteristics of the reactor during the license renewal period. The NRC concludes that conditions are not expected to change and that the radiological effects of operation during the renewal period will continue to be minimal.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types or amounts of any effluents that may be released off-site, and there is no significant increase to occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Potential non-radiological impacts related to the proposed action were evaluated. The license renewal does not involve any historic sites. The facility is wholly located within the Lillibridge building on the campus of Idaho State University. The licensee does not plan any major refurbishment activities, therefore, there will be no new