

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-8904]

Establishment of the U.S. Department of Energy as the Long-Term Custodian of the L-Bar Uranium Mill Tailings Site Near Seboyeta, NM, and Termination of the Sohio Western Mining Company Source Materials License for the L-Bar Site**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.**ACTION:** Notice of establishment of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) as the long-term custodian of the L-Bar uranium mill tailings site near Seboyeta, New Mexico, under the general license provisions of 10 CFR 40.28, and termination of the Sohio Western Mining Company specific Source Materials License SUA-1472 for the L-Bar site.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rick Weller, Project Manager, Fuel Cycle Facilities Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Telephone: (301) 415-7287; fax number: (301) 415-5955; e-mail: rmw2@nrc.gov.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Introduction**

On September 22, 2004, the Sohio Western Mining Company (SWMC) transferred ownership of the L-Bar uranium mill tailings site near Seboyeta, New Mexico, to the DOE, as required by 10 CFR 40, Appendix A, Criterion 11, prior to termination of SWMC's specific license. Subsequently, by letter dated October 13, 2004, the DOE submitted the final Long-Term Surveillance Plan (LTSP) for the L-Bar site for review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Based on the review of the LTSP, the NRC has determined that the LTSP satisfies the requirements in 10 CFR part 40, Appendix A, Criterion 12, and § 40.28 for the long-term surveillance of a tailings disposal site. Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the NRC has accepted the LTSP for the L-Bar site. This acceptance establishes the DOE as the long-term custodian and caretaker of the L-Bar site under the general license specified in 10 CFR 40.28. In a concurrent action, the NRC has terminated the SWMC specific Source Materials License SUA-1472 for the L-Bar site. These actions complete all requirements for closure of the L-Bar site under the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978, as

amended. These actions do not require an environmental assessment as they are categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11).

II. Further Information

The NRC has prepared correspondence which documents the actions that establish the DOE as the long-term custodian of the L-Bar site under the general license specified in 10 CFR 40.28 and terminate the SWMC specific Source Materials License SUA-1472 for the L-Bar site. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," copies of this correspondence, as well as the L-Bar LTSP submitted by DOE letter dated October 13, 2004, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession numbers for the documents related to this notice are listed below. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Documents Related to This Notice

1. Letter dated October 13, 2004, from J. Sink, DOE, to G. Janosko, NRC, submitting the final LTSP for the L-Bar site. ML042920474.

2. Letter dated October 21, 2004, from G. Janosko, NRC, to J. Sink, DOE, accepting the final LTSP for the L-Bar site. ML043020020.

3. Letter dated October 21, 2004, from G. Janosko, NRC, to J. Trummel, Kennecott Energy Company, terminating the SWMC specific Source Materials License SUA-1472 for the L-Bar site. ML043020032.

These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O 1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated in Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of November, 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Gary S. Janosko,

Chief, Fuel Cycle Facilities Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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BILLING CODE 7590-01-P**PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION****Required Interest Rate Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal****AGENCY:** Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.**ACTION:** Notice of interest rates and assumptions.**SUMMARY:** This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or can be derived from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's Web site (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).**DATES:** The required interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in November 2004. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in December 2004.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harold J. Ashier, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Variable-Rate Premiums**

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate (the "required interest rate") in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. Pursuant to the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004, for premium payment years beginning in 2004 or 2005, the required interest rate is the "applicable percentage" (currently 85 percent) of the annual rate of interest determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on amounts invested conservatively in long-term investment grade corporate bonds for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid. Thus, the required interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years

beginning in November 2004 is 4.73 percent (*i.e.*, 85 percent of the 5.57 percent composite corporate bond rate for October 2004 as determined by the Treasury).

The following table lists the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between December 2003 and November 2004. Note that the required interest rate for premium payment years beginning in December 2003 was determined under the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002, and that the required interest rates for premium payment years beginning in January through November 2004 were determined under the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004.

For premium payment years beginning in:	The required interest rate is:
December 2003*	5.12
January 2004**	4.94
February 2004**	4.83
March 2004**	4.79
April 2004**	4.62
May 2004**	4.98
June 2004**	5.26
July 2004**	5.25
August 2004**	5.10
September 2004**	4.95
October 2004**	4.79
November 2004**	4.73

* The required interest rate for premium payment years beginning in December 2003 was determined under the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002.

** The required interest rates for premium payment years beginning in January through November 2004 were determined under the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004.

Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

The PBGC's regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281) prescribes the use of interest assumptions under the PBGC's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044). The interest assumptions applicable to valuation dates in December 2004 under part 4044 are contained in an amendment to part 4044 published elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**. Tables showing the assumptions applicable to prior periods are codified in appendix B to 29 CFR part 4044.

Issued in Washington, DC, on this day of November 2004.

Joseph H. Grant,

Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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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 Proposal(s)

(1) *Collection title:* Report of Medicaid State Office on Beneficiary's Buy-In-Status.

(2) *Form(s) submitted:* RL-380-F.

(3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0185.

(4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* 02/28/2005.

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

(6) *Respondents:* State, local or tribal government.

(7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 600.

(8) *Total annual responses:* 600.

(9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 100.

(10) *Collection description:* Under the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Retirement Board administers the Medicare program for persons covered by the railroad retirement system. The collection obtains the information needed to determine if certain railroad beneficiaries are entitled to receive Supplementary Medical Insurance program coverage under a state buy-in agreement in states in which they reside.

Additional Information or Comments

Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from Charles 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 to the OMB Desk Officer for the RRB, at the Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Charles Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the

Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meeting during the week of November 15, 2004:

A closed meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2004, at 2 p.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the closed meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters may also be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (6), (7), (9)(B), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), 9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

Commissioner Atkins, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the closed meeting in closed session.

The subject matter of the closed meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 16, 2004, will be:

Formal orders of investigations; Institution and settlement of injunctive actions; and

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact:

The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

Dated: November 9, 2004.

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Fixed Income Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To Institute Fines for Late Payment of Cash Obligations and Margin and To Institute Informal Hearing Procedures for Fine Disputes

November 5, 2004.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ notice is hereby given that on March 18, 2004, the Fixed Income

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).