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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Monitoring for the National Science Foundation’s Math and Science Partnership (MSP) Program. OMB Control No.: 9545–0190.

1. Abstract

This document has been prepared to support the clearance of data collection instruments to be used in the evaluation of the Math and Science Partnership (MSP) program. The goals for the program are to (1) ensure that all K–12 students have access to, are prepared for, and are encouraged to participate and succeed in challenging curricula and advanced mathematics and science courses; (2) enhance the quality, quantity, and diversity of the K–12 mathematics and science teacher workforce; and (3) develop evidence-based outcomes that contribute to our understanding of how students effectively learn mathematics and science. The motivational force for realizing these goals is the formation of partnerships between institutions of higher education (IHEs) and K–12 school districts. The role of IHE content faculty is the cornerstone of this intervention. In fact, it is the rigorous involvement of science, mathematics, and engineering faculty—and the expectation that both IHEs and K–12 school systems will be transformed—that distinguishes MSP from other education reform efforts.

The components of the overall MSP portfolio include active projects whose initial awards were made prior MSP competitions: (1) Comprehensive Partnerships that implement change in mathematics and/or science educational practices in both higher education institutions and in schools and school districts, resulting in improved student achievement across the K–12 continuum; (2) Targeted Partnerships that focus on improved K–12 student achievement in a narrower grade range or disciplinary focus within mathematics or science; (3) Institute Partnerships: Teacher Institutes for the 21st Century that focus on the development of mathematics and science teachers as school— and district-based intellectual leaders and master teachers; and (4) Research, Evaluation and Technical Assistance (RETA) projects that build and enhance large-scale research and evaluation capacity for all MSP awardees and provide them with tools and assistance in the implementation and evaluation of their work.

The MSP monitoring information system, comprised of eight web-based surveys and one paper survey, collects a common core of data about each component of MSP. The Web application for MSP has been developed with a modular design that incorporates templates and self-contained code modules for rapid development and ease of modification. A downloadable version will also be available for respondents who prefer a paper version that they can mail or fax to the external contractor.

Use of the information: This information is required for effective program planning, administration, communication, program and project monitoring and evaluation, and for measuring attainment of NSF’s program, project and strategic goals, as required by the President’s Management Agenda as represented by the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART); the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109–191) which established the Academic Competitiveness (ACC) and the NSF’s Strategic Plan. The Foundation’s FY 2006–2011 Strategic Plan describes four strategic outcome goals of Discovery, Learning, Research Infrastructure, and Stewardship. NSF’s complete strategic plan may be found at: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf0648.

2. Expected Respondents

Individuals or households, not-for-profit institutions, business or other for profit, and Federal State, local or tribal government. The expected respondents are principle investigators of all partnership and RETA projects; STEM and education faculty members and administrators who participated in MSP; school districts and IHEs that are partners in an MSP project; and teachers participating in Institute Partnerships.

3. Burden on the Public

Number of Respondents: 2,348

Burdens of the Public: The total estimate for this collection is 32,082 annual burden hours.

This figure is based upon the previous 3 years of collecting information under this clearance and anticipated collections. The average annual reporting burden is estimated to be between 2 and 22 hours per respondent depending on whether a respondent is a direct participant who is self-reporting or representing a project and reporting on behalf of many project participants. The majority of respondents (60%) are estimated to require fewer than two hours to complete the survey. The burden on the public is negligible because the study is limited to project participants that have received funding from the MSP Program.


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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION


Southern California Edison Company; Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission, see 37 FR 28,710 (Dec. 29, 1972), and the Commission’s regulations, see 10 CFR 2.104, 2.105, 2.300, 2.309, 2.312, 2.314, and 2.321, notice is hereby given that an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (Board) is being established to preside over the following proceeding:

Southern California Edison Company (San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3)

This proceeding involves a license amendment request by Southern California Edison Company to convert...
the Current Technical Specifications to be consistent with the most recently approved version of the Standard Technical Specifications for Combustion Engineering Plants, NUREG–1432, for its San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3, located in San Diego County, California. In response to a notice of opportunity to request a hearing published in the Federal Register on August 16, 2012 (77 FR 49,463), a hearing request was submitted by Raymond Lutz on behalf of Citizens Oversight, Inc.

The Board is comprised of the following administrative judges:

Alex S. Karlin, Chair, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001;


All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule, which the NRC promulgated in August 2007 (72 FR 49,139).

Issued at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of October 2012.

E. Roy Hawken, Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 70–0036; NRC–2012–0262]

Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC., Hematite Decommissioning Project, Festus, Missouri

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: License amendment request; opportunity to request a hearing and to petition for leave to intervene.

DATES: A request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed by December 31, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2012–0262 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this proposed action. You can access publicly available documents related to this notice using any of the following methods:

- NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may access publicly available documents online at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “ADAMS Public Documents” and then select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS Accession Number for each publicly available document referenced below regarding the proposed action is provided the first time the document is referenced. The license amendment request is available under ADAMS Package Accession No. ML120170452.
- NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR): You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room O1–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) has received a license amendment application from Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC. (WEC or the licensee), dated August 16, 2012, requesting an exemption and an amendment of NRC License Number SNM–00033 (the Hematite license). The requested exemption pertains to sections 70.24 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) requirements for criticality monitoring systems at WEC Hematite Decommissioning Project (HDP) site in Missouri.

The Hematite license authorizes the licensee to conduct decommissioning activities. The NRC’s letter to WEC, dated November 9, 2011, (ADAMS Accession No. ML112200209), issued Amendment 59 to the Hematite license, approving the Westinghouse Hematite Physical Security Plan, Category I Contingency Safeguards Contingency Response and Contingency Security Training and Qualification Plans, dated July 28, 2011, and Fundamental Nuclear Material Control Plan, dated February 18, 2011. Amendment 59 included license condition 15 which exempts WEC from the requirements to 10 CFR 70.24 regarding its HDP activities where the risk of a criticality accident was not considered credible.

In support of its August 16, 2012, request, WEC provided a revised license application with additional proposed 10 CFR 70.24 exemption provisions; justification for these provisions; a proposed revision to license condition 15; and the justification for revising license condition 15.

An NRC administrative review, documented in a letter to WEC dated August 31, 2012, (ADAMS Accession No. ML12243A378) found the application acceptable to begin a technical review. If the NRC approves the requested exemption and license amendment, such approval will be documented in a Safety Evaluation Report, which will contain the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the NRC’s regulations.

II. Opportunity To Request a Hearing and Leave To Intervene

Requirements for submitting hearing requests and petitions for leave to intervene are found in 10 CFR 2.309, “Hearing Requests, Petitions to Intervene, Requirements for Standing, and Contentions.” Interested persons should consult 10 CFR 2.309, which is available at the NRC’s PDR, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O1–F21, Rockville, Maryland 20852. You may also call the PDR at 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737. The NRC’s regulations are also accessible electronically from the NRC Library on the NRC’s Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/cfr/.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.309(a), any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding, and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written request for hearing and petition for leave to intervene. As required by 10 CFR 2.309, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.309(d), the petition must provide the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner; and explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to:

1. The nature of the petitioner’s right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of