

informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The NRC published a **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on July 15, 2013 (78 FR 42112).

1. *Type of submission, new, revision, or extension:* Extension.

2. *The title of the information collection:* Policy Statement for the "Criteria for Guidance of States and NRC in Discontinuance of NRC Regulatory Authority and Assumption Thereof By States Through Agreement," Maintenance of Existing Agreement State Programs, Request for Information Through the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) Questionnaire, and Agreement State Participation in IMPEP.

3. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0183.

4. *The form number if applicable:* Not applicable.

5. *How often the collection is required:* Every four years for completion of the IMPEP questionnaire in preparation for an IMPEP review. One time for new Agreement State applications. Annually for participation by Agreement States in the IMPEP reviews and fulfilling requirements for Agreement States to maintain their programs.

6. *Who will be required or asked to report:* All Agreement States (37 Agreement States who have signed Agreements with NRC under Section 274b. of the Atomic Energy Act (Act)) and any non-Agreement State seeking to sign an Agreement with the Commission.

7. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 58.

8. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 38 (37 existing Agreement States plus 1 applicant).

9. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 285,143 hours (an average of 7,504 hours per respondent). This includes 477 hours to complete the IMPEP questionnaires; 2,750 hours to prepare new Agreement State applications, 396 hours for participation in IMPEP reviews; and 281,520 hours for maintaining Existing Agreement State programs.

10. *Abstract:* The States wishing to become Agreement States are requested to provide certain information to the NRC as specified by the Commission's Policy Statement, "Criteria for Guidance of States and NRC in Discontinuance of NRC Regulatory Authority and Assumption Thereof By States Through

Agreement." The Agreement States need to ensure that the radiation control program under the Agreement remains adequate and compatible with the requirements of Section 274 of the Act and must maintain certain information.

The NRC conducts periodic evaluations through IMPEP to ensure that these programs are compatible with the NRC's program, meet the applicable parts of the Act, and adequate to protect public health and safety.

The public may examine and have copied for a fee publicly-available documents, including the final supporting statement, at the NRC's Public Document Room, Room O-1F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC's Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/>. The document will be available on the NRC's home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by November 22, 2013. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date.

Chad Whiteman, Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0183), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be emailed to [Chad\\_S\\_Whiteman@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Chad_S_Whiteman@omb.eop.gov) or submitted by telephone at 202-395-4718.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Tremaine Donnell, telephone: 301-415-6258.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of September 2013.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Tremaine Donnell,**

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## **NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD**

### **Workshop; November 18-19, 2013 in Washington, DC**

The U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold a workshop on impacts of SNF canister design on the SNF waste-management system.

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100-203, Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act

of 1987, the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold a workshop on Monday, November 18, and Tuesday, November 19, 2013, to identify issues related to how the use of large dry-storage canisters by nuclear utilities for onsite storage will affect future handling, storage, transportation and geologic disposal of spent nuclear fuel (SNF). Unless these canisters can be directly disposed of in a geologic repository, it will be necessary to transfer the SNF they contain into disposal containers prior to permanent disposal.

Repackaging the SNF would have significant implications for the waste management system: it likely will take a long time; it will involve extensive SNF handling operations; and, at decommissioned reactor sites, construction of a pool or dry-transfer facility may be necessary. However, direct disposal of the large dry-storage canisters without repackaging the SNF also would present significant challenges and may affect the geologic environments that would be considered for a repository.

The workshop will look broadly at these issues. It will be open to all interested parties and opportunities will be provided for full participation by all attendees. The workshop will be held in conjunction with the Board's Winter Board meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2013. A separate **Federal Register** notice will be issued on that meeting.

The workshop and the Board meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites, 1250 22nd Street NW., Washington, DC 20037; (Tel) 202-857-3388, (Fax) 202-293-3173. A block of rooms has been reserved at the hotel. To make a reservation for either or both meetings, attendees may call 1 800-EMBASSY (362-2779). The group code name for the workshop and meeting is "UNW." Reservations also may be made on the hotel Web site: [http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/W/WASDNES-UNW-20131117/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/W/WASDNES-UNW-20131117/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG). All reservations must be made by October 25 to receive the group rate.

The workshop will begin on Monday, November 18, at 1:00 p.m. with a series of presentations that will set the stage for discussion sessions that will take place on the second day of the workshop. On Tuesday, November 19, the workshop will resume at 8:00 a.m. with a call to order and orientation followed by two "break-out" sessions, one focused on the issues that will arise if the SNF stored in dry-storage containers needs to be repackaged and the other focused on the issues that will

arise if the dry-storage containers are to be disposed of directly without repackaging the SNF. The break-out sessions will be facilitated and will be held concurrently.

Following a lunch break, there will be a facilitated plenary session at which the outcomes from both morning breakout sessions will be reported, with the opportunity for further discussion by all attendees. Key issues and “takeaways” will be pinpointed during a final plenary session, which will include another opportunity for open discussion. The workshop is scheduled to end at approximately 5:00 p.m.

During the workshop, it may be necessary to set a time limit on individual remarks in order to maintain the schedule, but written comments of any length may be submitted during and after the workshop and will be entered into the record of the meeting. The workshop agenda is available on the Board’s Web site: [www.nwtrb.gov](http://www.nwtrb.gov). Transcripts of the workshop discussions will be available on the Board’s Web site after December 16, 2013.

The Board was established in the 1987 amendments to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPA) as an independent agency in the Executive branch to perform an ongoing objective evaluation of the technical validity of activities undertaken by the U.S. Department of Energy related to implementing the NWPA. Board members are experts in their fields and are appointed by the President from a list of candidates submitted by the National Academy of Sciences. The Board is required to report its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to Congress and the Secretary. Board reports, correspondence, congressional testimony, and meeting transcripts and materials are posted on the Board’s Web site.

For information on the workshop contact Gene Rowe at [rowe@nwtrb.gov](mailto:rowe@nwtrb.gov) or Karyn Severson at [severson@nwtrb.gov](mailto:severson@nwtrb.gov). For information on meeting logistics contact Linda Coultry at [coultry@nwtrb.gov](mailto:coultry@nwtrb.gov). Gene Rowe can be reached by telephone at 703–236–7512. Karyn Severson and Linda Coultry can be reached by telephone at 703–235–4473.

Dated: October 16, 2013.

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**NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD**

**Board Meeting; November 20, 2013 in Washington, DC**

The U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will meet to discuss DOE SNF and HLW management research and development activities.

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100–203, Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987, the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold a public meeting in Washington, DC, on Wednesday, November 20, 2013, to discuss the U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) research and development (R&D) activities related to its Used Fuel Disposition Program. The Board will hear presentations on a range of studies being supported by the Office of Used Fuel Disposition R&D, including research on long-term storage of high-burnup spent nuclear fuel (SNF), studies on direct disposal of large, dry-storage SNF containers in various geologic media, and evaluation of SNF and high-level radioactive waste disposal options. An overview of studies on advanced separations and waste form technologies being supported by the Office of Fuel Cycle R&D also will be presented. The public meeting will be preceded by a two-day workshop on the Impacts of Dry-Storage Canister Designs on Future Handling, Storage, Transportation, and Geologic Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel. A separate **Federal Register** notice will be issued on that workshop.

The meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1250 22nd Street NW., Washington, DC 20037; Tel. (202) 857–3388. A block of rooms has been reserved at the hotel for meeting attendees. Reservations can be made online at [http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/W/WASDNES-UNW-20131117/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/W/WASDNES-UNW-20131117/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG) or by calling 800–EMBASSY (800–362–2779). Reservations must be made by Friday, October 25, 2013, to ensure receiving the meeting rate. The reservation Group Code name is UNW.

A detailed agenda will be available on the Board’s Web site at [www.nwtrb.gov](http://www.nwtrb.gov) approximately one week before the meeting. The meeting will be open to the public, and opportunities for public comment will be provided at the end of the day. Those wanting to speak are encouraged to sign the “Public Comment Register” at the check-in table. A time limit may need to be set for individual remarks, but written

comments of any length may be submitted for the record. Transcripts of the meeting will be available on the Board’s Web site after December 18, 2013.

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For information on the meeting, contact Karyn Severson at [severson@nwtrb.gov](mailto:severson@nwtrb.gov) or Roberto Pabalan at [pabalan@nwtrb.gov](mailto:pabalan@nwtrb.gov). For information on lodging or logistics, contact Linda Coultry at [coultry@nwtrb.gov](mailto:coultry@nwtrb.gov). They all can be reached by phone at 703–235–4473.

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

*Upon Written Request Copies Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0213.

*Extension:*

Rule 12h–1(f); OMB Control No. 3235–0632, SEC File No. 270–570.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget this request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Rule 12h–1(f) (17 CFR 240.12h–1(f)) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) provides an exemption from the Exchange Act Section 12(g) registration requirements