

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

42 U.S.C. 1870; 44 U.S.C. 3101.

PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:

(1) To provide a centralized registration system for individuals that can be used to register and select role(s) necessary for use of NSF systems.

(2) To provide a dashboard for administrators to easily manage NSF system roles for their organizations.

(3) To provide demographic data that NSF may track over time in order to review and evaluate NSF programs.

(4) To provide data that may be used to pre-populate forms and databases for users. This functionality will facilitate proposal submission, reviewer activities and other user functions.

(5) To provide data that may be used for internal NSF compliance with applicable laws and policies, and conflict of interest management.

(6) To provide data that may be used for NSF selection and management of reviewers as well as related merit review functions.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Individuals who register with NSF and receive an NSF identifier (NSF ID) for accessing NSF systems to engage in a range of activities with the agency. These activities may include: proposal preparation and submission; proposal review activities; organizational account management activities; and fellowship and award activities.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Registration information, including: name; email; phone number; ORCID digital identifier; and organization affiliation(s).

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Individuals who register with NSF to obtain an NSF identification number.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

NSF standard routine uses apply. NSF standard routine uses were last published in full in the **Federal Register** on December 22, 2014. 79 FR 76398–02, 2014. The NSF standard routine uses can also be found on the NSF web page at www.NSF.gov/privacy. In addition to the standard routine uses, information may be disclosed to:

(1) Other federal, state, local government agency, or third parties needing information regarding registrations to coordinate programs or policy.

(2) Individual or organizational grant applicants, grantee organizations, and collaborators to provide or obtain data

as part of award administration and to facilitate collaboration between and among individuals, organizations and collaborators.

(3) NSF partners and affiliates to carry out studies for or to otherwise assist NSF with program management, evaluation, or reporting.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Records are stored on electronic digital media.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

Records are retrieved by the registrant's name, email, or NSF identifier (NSF ID).

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

Data collected and maintained pursuant to this System of Records is governed by one of the following records retention schedules:

Grant and Contract Records Schedule N1–307–88–2

Fellowship Records Schedule NC1–307–82–1

Declined and Withdrawn Proposal Case Files NSF Records Schedule NC1–307–77–1/1

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

The National Science Foundation's IT Security and Privacy program includes policies, plans, training, and technical safeguards to protect sensitive information, which includes personally identifiable information (PII). NSF routinely reviews PII in IT systems in addition to monitoring the many controls in place to assure that PII is appropriately protected. NSF's major applications and general support systems are assessed and authorized by NSF's continuous monitoring and ongoing authorization program. The authorization process requires a thorough security and privacy control review.

All NSF systems are covered by a system security plan, and major applications and general support systems are authorized to operate. Applications and devices hosted on the NSF network are subjected to extensive vulnerability scanning and compliance checking against standard security configurations. Robust virus protection capabilities, anti-malware, and network intrusion detection and prevention devices provide 24/7 protection against external threats. NSF's strong access controls ensure that resources are made available only to authorized users, programs, processes or systems by

reference to rules of access that are defined by attributes and policies.

NSF uses the capabilities of a Trusted internet Connections (TIC) compliant provider for routing agency network traffic and uses the federally provided intrusion detection system (IDS), including advanced continuous monitoring and risk management analysis. NSF has a well-established computer security incident response program. NSF's incident response procedures include a strong digital forensics capability to investigate and review data and identify relevant evidence and malicious activity.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Follow the Requesting Access to Records procedures found at 45 CFR part 613.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Follow the procedures found at 45 CFR part 613.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

Follow the procedures found at 45 CFR part 613.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

HISTORY:

This is a new system of records and has not been previously published in the **Federal Register**.

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Suzanne H. Plimpton,
Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records**

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of a modified system of records.

SUMMARY: The system of records Suspension, Debarment, and Research Misconduct Files NSF–55, contains records about persons considered for government-wide suspension, debarment, and/or research misconduct determination. The National Science Foundation (NSF) is proposing to add one new routine use and an additional statute in the authority section of this system of records.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on the changes set out in this notice may do so on or before March 19, 2018.

This action will be applicable without further notice on March 19, 2018 unless

modified by subsequent notice to incorporate comments received from the public.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by [docket number and/or RIN number ____], by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Email:* The Acting Senior Agency Official for Privacy, Dorothy Aronson, at daronson@nsf.gov. Include [docket number and/or RIN number ____] in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Dorothy Aronson, Acting Senior Agency Official for Privacy, Office of Information and Resource Management, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314.

Instructions: NSF will post all comments on the NSF's website (https://www.nsf.gov/policies/privacy_act.jsp). All comments submitted in response to this Notice will become a matter of public record. Therefore, you should submit only information that you wish to make publicly available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you wish to submit general questions about the proposed new routine use for NSF-55, please contact Dorothy Aronson, Acting Senior Agency Official for Privacy, at daronson@nsf.gov or 703-292-8004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Consistent with the American Innovation and Competitiveness Act, Public Law 114-329, NSF is proposing to modify the system by adding a new routine use that will allow NSF to notify other Federal science agencies of findings of research misconduct. In addition, the American Innovation and Competitiveness Act is being added to the "authority for maintenance of the system" section of the system of records notice.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER

Suspension, Debarment, and Research Misconduct Files, NSF-55.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

None.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

National Science Foundation headquarters, Virginia.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S):

General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, NSF headquarters, Virginia.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Section 11(a), National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1870(a); Federal Acquisition

Regulation (FAR), 2 CFR 180.800; 45 CFR part 689; and E.O. 12549 (February 18, 1986); American Innovation and Competitiveness Act, Pub. L. 114-329.

PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:

Information contained in this system of records is used to protect the federal government from the actions prohibited under applicable suspension, debarment, and research misconduct regulations; make decisions regarding suspension, debarment, and research misconduct; ensure that other federal agencies give effect to suspension, debarment, and research misconduct decisions rendered by NSF; and to ensure that NSF gives effect to suspension, debarment, and research misconduct decisions rendered by other Federal agencies.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Persons, including applicants for NSF grants and contracts, NSF grantees, contractors, and principal investigators, who are the subject of suspension, debarment, or research misconduct proceedings.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Case files for persons considered for suspension, debarment or research misconduct; communications between the NSF and the respondent; interagency and intra-agency communications regarding proposed or completed suspensions, debarments, or research misconduct; investigative files; witness statements and affidavits; staff working papers; testimony transcripts; hearing exhibits; and records of any findings.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Federal, state, and local agency officials; the NSF Office of the Inspector General; private persons; and respondents and their legal representatives.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

NSF standard routine uses apply. In addition, information may be disclosed to:

(1) The General Services Administration (GSA) to compile and maintain the System for Award Management.

(2) A federal agency involved in suspension, debarment or research misconduct actions involving the same person.

(3) A federal, state, or local government agency to the extent necessary to allow NSF to obtain information maintained by those

agencies in connection with a suspension, debarment, or research misconduct action.

(4) Other persons involved in or affected by a suspension, debarment, or research misconduct actions, including witnesses, awardee institutions, to support NSF objectives.

(5) A federal, state, local government agency, federal contractor, or grantee, for the purpose of verifying the identity of an individual NSF has suspended, debarred, or imposed actions upon pursuant to an administrative agreement or research misconduct determination.

(6) Other Federal science agencies upon a finding that research misconduct has occurred. For purposes of this section "Federal science agencies" consists of the following agencies or agency components:

(a) National Aeronautics & Space Administration.

(b) Environmental Protection Agency.

(c) Department of Health & Human Services—National Institutes of Health.

(d) Department of the Interior—U.S. Geological Survey.

(e) Department of Energy—Office of Science.

(f) Department of Commerce—National Institute of Standards and Technology, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration.

(g) Department of Agriculture—Agricultural Research Service, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Services.

(h) Department of Defense.

(i) Department of Homeland Security—Directorate of Science and Technology, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office.

(j) Department of Transportation—Federal Highway Administration, Federal Aviation Administration.

(k) Department of Veteran Affairs.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Records are stored in paper and/or on electronic digital media.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

Records are retrieved by the name of the person and/or entity being considered for suspension, debarment, or a finding of research misconduct.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

Records are maintained and disposed of in accordance with NARA approved record schedules.

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Records are protected by administrative, technical, and physical safeguards administered by NSF.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Follow the Requesting Access to Records procedures found at 45 CFR part 613.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Follow the procedures found at 45 CFR part 613.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

Follow the procedures found at 45 CFR part 613.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), investigative material in this system of records compiled for law enforcement purposes is exempt from subsections (c)(3), (d), (e)(1), (e)(4)(G), (H) and (I), and (f) of 5 U.S.C. 552a, provided, however, that if any individual is denied any right, privilege, or benefit that he or she would otherwise be entitled to by federal law, or for which he or she would otherwise be eligible, as a result of the maintenance of these records, such material shall be provided to the individual, except to the extent that the disclosure of the material would reveal the identity of a source who furnished information to the government with an express promise that the identity of the source would be held in confidence.

HISTORY:

An amendment to this system of records notice was last published in the **Federal Register** on June 10, 2016, 81 FR 37645–37654.

Dated: February 12, 2018.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 52–025 and 52–026; NRC–2008–0252]

Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc.; Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, Units 3 and 4; Addition of In-Containment Refueling Water Storage Tank (IRWST); Lower Narrow Range Level Instrumentation

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Exemption and combined license amendment issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is granting an exemption to allow a departure from the certification information of Tier 1 of the

generic AP1000 design control document (DCD) and is issuing License Amendment Nos. 100 and 99 to Combined Licenses (COLs), NPF–91 and NPF–92, respectively. The COLs were issued to Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc., and Georgia Power Company, Oglethorpe Power Corporation, MEAG Power SPVM, LLC, MEAG Power SPVJ, LLC, MEAG Power SPVP, LLC, and the City of Dalton, Georgia (the licensee); for construction and operation of the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) Units 3 and 4, located in Burke County, Georgia.

The granting of the exemption allows the changes to Tier 1 information that is requested in the amendment. Because the acceptability of the exemption was determined in part by the acceptability of the amendment, the exemption and amendment are being issued concurrently.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2008–0252 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may access information related to this document, which the NRC possesses and is publicly available, using any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Website:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2008–0252. Address questions about NRC dockets to Jennifer Borges; 301–287–9127; email: Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

CONTACT section of this document.

- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):** You may access publicly available documents online in the NRC Library 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 document referenced (if that document is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that a document is referenced. The request for the amendment and exemption was submitted by letter dated February 17, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17048A533) and supplemented by letters dated July 21, 2017 and October 3, 2017 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML17202U703 and ML17276B556).

- **NRC's 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Kallan, Office of New Reactors, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; telephone: 301–415–2809; email: Paul.Kallan@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Introduction**

The NRC is granting exemptions from paragraph B of section III, "Scope and Contents," of appendix D, "Design Certification Rule for the AP1000," to part 52 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) and issuing License Amendment Nos. 100 and 99 to COLs, NPF–91 and NPF–92, respectively, to the licensee. The exemptions are required by paragraph A.4 of section VIII, "Processes for Changes and Departures," appendix D, to 10 CFR part 52 to allow the licensee to depart from Tier 1 information. With the requested amendment, the licensee proposes changes to the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report in the form of departures from the Plant-Specific Design Control Document (PS-DCD) Tier 2 information and involves changes to plant-specific Tier 1 information (and corresponding changes to COL Appendix C). Specifically, the amendment proposes changes to the protection and safety monitoring system including the reactor trip system and the engineered safety feature actuation system, the passive core cooling system, the steam generator blowdown system, and the spent fuel pool cooling system. In addition, revisions are proposed to COL Appendix A, Technical Specifications.

Part of the justification for granting the exemptions was provided by the review of the amendments. Because the exemption is necessary in order to issue the requested license amendment, the NRC granted the exemptions and issued the amendments concurrently, rather than in sequence. This included issuing a combined safety evaluation containing the NRC staff's review of both the exemption request and the license amendment. The exemptions met all applicable regulatory criteria set forth in 10 CFR 50.12, 10 CFR 52.7, and Section VIII.A.4 of appendix D to 10 CFR part 52. The license amendments were found to be acceptable as well. The combined safety evaluation is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML17284A075.

Identical exemption documents (except for referenced unit numbers and license numbers) were issued to the licensee for VEGP Units 3 and 4 (COLs NPF–91 and NPF–92). The exemption