

*Abstract:* This collection of information is gathered electronically by the Department for the purpose of obtaining programmatic and budgetary information needed to evaluate applications and to make funding decisions based on the authorizing statute and the published selection criteria. This collection will be conducted annually, based on availability of funding for new grants under Title V, Part A.

Dated: February 19, 2020.

**Kate Mullan,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2019-ICCD-0155]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Fiscal Operations Report for 2019-2020 and Application To Participate 2021-2022 (FISAP) and Reallocation Form

**AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 25, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED-2019-ICCD-0155. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Please include the docket ID number and the title of the information collection request when requesting documents or submitting comments. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by

postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Strategic Collections and Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave SW, LBJ, Room 6W-208D, Washington, DC 20202-4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Fiscal Operations Report for 2019-2020 and Application to Participate 2021-2022 (FISAP) and Reallocation Form.

*OMB Control Number:* 1845-0030.

*Type of Review:* A revision of an existing information collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Private Sector.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 3,893.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 89,846.

*Abstract:* The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) (Pub. L. 110-315) was enacted on August 14, 2008 and reauthorized the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, (HEA). It requires participating Title IV institutions to apply for funds and

report expenditures for the Federal Perkins Loan (Perkins), the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) and the Federal Work-Study (FWS) Programs on an annual basis. The data submitted electronically in the Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate (FISAP) is used by the Department of Education to determine the institution's funding need for the award year and monitor program effectiveness and accountability of fund expenditures. The data is used in conjunction with institutional program reviews to assess the administrative capability and compliance of the applicant. There are no other resources for collecting this data. The HEA requires that if an institution anticipates not using all of its allocated funds for the FWS, and FSEOG programs by the end of an award year, it must specify the anticipated remaining unused amount to the Secretary, who reduces the institution's allocation accordingly. The changes to the version of the FISAP are to update the deadline and award year references, incorporate new data fields added to capture cumulative service cancellation reimbursement activity beginning in the 2019-20 award year under the Perkins Loan Program.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Request for Information Regarding Key Challenges in Reconstituting Uranium Mining and Conversion Capabilities in the United States

**AGENCY:** Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Request for information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S Department of Energy (DOE) is issuing this RFI to invite public input on key challenges in reconstituting uranium mining and conversion capabilities in the United States. This invitation is in recognition of the importance of nuclear fuel supply chain capabilities to the United States. The Joint Explanatory Statement of the Energy and Water Development Committees on H.R. 1865, the Fiscal Year 2020 Energy and Water Appropriations Act, requests the Department to contract not later than 60 days after enactment of the Act with a Federally-Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) or other

independent organization to work with industry to identify key challenges in reconstituting mining and conversion capabilities in the United States. The responses received from this RFI will be provided to the FFRDC or the independent organization.

**DATES:** Written comments and information are requested on or before March 16, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons may submit comments by any of the following methods:

1. *Email:* [rfi-uranium@hq.doe.gov](mailto:rfi-uranium@hq.doe.gov).

Submit electronic comments in Microsoft Word or PDF file format and avoid the use of special characters or any form of encryption. Please include "Response to RFI" in the subject line.

2. *Postal Mail:* Response to Mining and Conversion RFI, c/o Ms. Cheryl Moss Herman, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, NE-42, Room B-409, 19901 Germantown Rd., Germantown, MD 20874-1290.

3. *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Ms. Cheryl Moss Herman, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, NE-42, Room B-409, 19901 Germantown Rd., Germantown, MD 20874-1290. Phone: (301) 903-1788.

4. *Online:* Responses will be accepted online at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name for this request for information. No facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for further information should be sent to: [rfi-uranium@hq.doe.gov](mailto:rfi-uranium@hq.doe.gov) or Ms. Cheryl Moss Herman, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, NE-42, Room B-409, 19901 Germantown Rd., Germantown, MD 20874-1290. Phone: (301) 903-1788. Please include "Question on RFI" in the subject line.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Both the President and Congress have recognized the importance of domestic nuclear fuel production capabilities to the United States.

According to the Energy Information Administration (EIA), U.S. uranium production in 2018 of 1.47 million pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> was at the lowest level since 1950 (<https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=39352>). U.S. uranium mining capabilities are at risk for closure if production ceases. The only U.S. conversion capability is in "ready idle" status due to poor market conditions.

In a memorandum on July 12, 2019, President Donald J. Trump stated that "the United States uranium industry

faces significant challenges in producing uranium domestically and that this is an issue of national security." The President established the U.S. Nuclear Fuel Working Group to ensure a comprehensive review of the entire domestic nuclear supply chain and "to develop recommendations for reviving and expanding domestic nuclear fuel production." (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/memorandum-effect-uranium-imports-national-security-establishment-united-states-nuclear-fuel-working-group/>)

On December 20, 2019, in the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Pub. L. 116-94), DOE was requested to contract not later than 60 days after enactment with a Federally-Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) or other independent organization to work with industry to identify key challenges in reconstituting mining and conversion capabilities in the United States.

The responses received from this invitation for public input will be considered by the independent organization in its identification of key challenges in, and the formulation of recommendations for, reconstituting mining and conversion capabilities in the United States.

**II. Specific Questions on Which Information Is Requested**

Public comment on the following questions is requested. Please provide data, analysis or other justification for all responses:

*Market-Related*

1. What are the most important market-related challenges to reconstituting the uranium mining and conversion industries? Please consider the following challenges and provide input on additional challenges as needed.

- U.S. and global demand
  - What level of demand and specific characteristics (U.S. and global, long-term versus short-term, etc.) would incentivize restarting or ramping up uranium production and conversion services capabilities in the United States?
  - What is a viable level of production to support uranium mining and conversion capability and how are you defining "viable"?
    - For U.S. industry in total?
    - For individual projects, such as a mine, extraction or processing facility, company, etc.?
  - Contract terms

- What contract term lengths would support sustainable U.S. supply and what constitutes a "sustainable U.S. supply"?

- What price level would be sufficient to encourage domestic production from existing as well as new production centers, and how much production is assumed in that price level?

- How long would it take from a "restart" decision (presumably after signing needed contracts) to achieve a viable level of production?
- What is the impact of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and UF<sub>6</sub> inventories on U.S. mining and conversion capabilities?

*Technical/Regulatory*

2. What are the technical and/or regulatory barriers to the restart of uranium mining and conversion capabilities in the United States?

- For existing projects and facilities?
- For new projects and facilities?
- How do these barriers compare to those in other countries involved in uranium mining? What unique characteristics (e.g., nationalized mines) exist in these countries?

3. Are there concerns or limitations with existing uranium mining and conversion infrastructure (e.g., aging facilities, new regulations)? If so, what impact do they have on the ability to start/restart production, production costs or capacity?

*Financial*

4. What are the financial challenges related to reconstituting uranium mining and conversion capabilities in the United States?

- What are the challenges related to the ability to raise needed capital?
- What financial incentives are required for new companies to enter the industry?

*Human Resources*

5. What are the human resource-related considerations for reconstituting uranium mining and conversion services capabilities in the United States?

- Are there specific recruitment and/or training challenges that must be overcome?
- Describe the nature of any potential shortfall in subject matter experts?
- What is the expected timeframe for realizing sufficient human resources to reconstitute the United States' uranium and conversion capabilities?

*Other*

6. Are there additional considerations that should be taken into account regarding key challenges to

reconstituting a uranium mining and conversion capability in the United States?

#### Importance

7. Please indicate which of the challenges addressed are the most important to reconstituting a uranium mining and conversion capability in the United States?

#### Recommendations and Timing

8. Please provide any recommendations that might address and mitigate any industry challenges. Indicate the implementation timing needed to be effective.

### III. Submission of Comments

DOE invites all interested parties to submit, in writing by March 16, 2020, comments and information on matters addressed in this RFI. Any information that may be business proprietary and exempt by law from public disclosure should be submitted as described in Section IV. Business Proprietary Information.

### IV. Business Proprietary Information

Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.11, any person submitting information he or she believes to be business proprietary and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit via email, postal mail, or hand delivery/courier two well-marked copies: One copy of the document marked "Business Proprietary" including all the information believed to be proprietary, and one copy of the document marked "non-Proprietary" with the information believed to be business proprietary deleted. DOE will make its own determination about the business proprietary status of the information and treat it according to its determination. Factors of interest to DOE when evaluating requests to treat submitted information as business proprietary include: (1) A description of the items; (2) whether and why such items are customarily treated as business proprietary within the industry; (3) whether the information is generally known by or available from other sources; (4) whether the information has previously been made available to others without obligation concerning its business proprietary nature; (5) an explanation of the competitive injury to the submitting person which would result from public disclosure; (6) when such information might lose its business proprietary character due to the passage of time; and (7) why disclosure of the information would be contrary to the public interest.

Signed in Washington, DC, on February 18, 2020.

**Andrew Griffith,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Fuel Cycle and Supply Chain, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee; Meeting

**AGENCY:** Office of Science, Department of Energy,

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (FESAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** March 16, 2020; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

March 17, 2020; 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** Hilton Washington DC/ Rockville Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Samuel J. Barish, Acting Designated Federal Officer, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences (FES); U.S. Department of Energy; Office of Science; 1000 Independence Avenue SW; Washington, DC 20585; Telephone: (301) 903-2917.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Committee:* To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the fusion energy sciences program.

#### *Tentative Agenda Items:*

- FES perspective
- Report of the Community Planning Process Team on a long-range strategic plan for the FES program
- Next Steps for a long-range strategic plan for the FES program
- 2019 Advancing fusion with machine learning workshop
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives in the Office of Science
- Public comment
- Adjourn

*Note:* Remote attendance of the FESAC meeting will be possible via Zoom. Instructions will be posted on the FESAC website: <https://science.osti.gov/fes/fesac/Meetings> prior to the meeting and can also be obtained by contacting

Dr. Barish by email [sam.barish@science.doe.gov](mailto:sam.barish@science.doe.gov) or by phone (301) 903-2917.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make an oral statement regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Dr. Barish at (301) 903-8584 (fax) or [sam.barish@science.doe.gov](mailto:sam.barish@science.doe.gov) (email). Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements during the Public Comment time on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

*Minutes:* The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days on the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee website at: <http://science.energy.gov/fes/fesac/>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on February 19, 2020.

**LaTanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 8700-005]

#### Alan J. Amy; Amy Family Holdings, LLC; Notice of Transfer of Exemption

1. On November 21, 2019, Alan J. Amy exemptee for the Amy Ranch Hydroelectric Project No. 8700, filed a letter notifying the Commission that the project was transferred from Alan J. Amy to Amy Family Holdings, LLC. The exemption from licensing was originally issued on October 11, 1985.<sup>1</sup> The project is located on Deep Creek and Black Creek in Butte County, Idaho. The transfer of an exemption does not require Commission approval.

2. Amy Family Holdings, LLC is now the exemptee of the Amy Ranch Hydroelectric Project No. 8700. All correspondence must be forwarded to: Ms. Loretta Amy, Amy Family Holdings, LLC, 3244 S. Laurelhurst Place, Boise, ID 83705, telephone: (208) 949-5278; and for day-to-day project activities: Delwin C. Amy, 952 East 1020 North, Richfield, ID 83349, telephone: (208) 420-1255.

<sup>1</sup> Alan J. Amy, 33 FERC 62,045 (1985).