

ending 30 June 2024. Likewise, the population for the 2025 SED consists of all individuals receiving a research doctorate in the 12-month period beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 30 June 2025. A research doctorate is a doctoral degree that (1) requires completion of an original intellectual contribution in the form of a dissertation or an equivalent culminating project (e.g., musical composition) and (2) is not primarily intended as a degree for the practice of a profession. The most common research doctorate degree is the Ph.D. Recipients of professional doctoral degrees, such as MD, DDS, JD, DPharm, and PsyD, are not included in the SED. The 2024 and 2025 SED are expected to include about 620 separately reporting schools with eligible research doctoral programs from among about 460 doctorate-granting institutions. Based on the historical trend, NCSES expects that approximately 57,000 individuals will receive a research doctorate from U.S. institutions in 2024, and approximately 58,000 in 2025.

In addition to the questionnaire for individuals receiving their research doctorates, the SED requires the collection of administrative data such as graduation lists from participating academic institutions. The Institutional Coordinator at the institution helps distribute the Web survey link, track survey completions, and submit information to the SED survey contractor.

*Estimate of Burden:* An average overall response rate of 92% of the persons who earned a research doctorate from a U.S. institution was obtained in the academic years 2019, 2020, and 2021. Using the past response rate, the number of SED respondents in 2024 is estimated to be 52,440 (57,000 doctorate recipients  $\times$  0.92 response rate). Similarly, the number of respondents in 2025 is estimated to be 53,360 (58,000  $\times$  0.92).

Based on the average Web survey completion time for the 2021 SED (19 minutes), NCSES estimates that, on average, 20 minutes per respondent, with a few potential new questions, will be required to complete the 2024 or 2025 SED Web survey. The annual respondent burden for completing the SED is therefore estimated at 17,480 hours in 2024 (52,440 respondents  $\times$  20 minutes) and 17,787 hours in 2025 (based on 53,360 respondents).

Based on focus groups conducted with Institutional Coordinators, it is estimated that the SED demands no more than 1% of the Institutional Coordinator's time over the course of a year, which computes to 20 hours per

year per Institutional Coordinator (40 hours per week  $\times$  50 weeks per year  $\times$  .01). With about 620 schools expected to participate in the SED in 2024 and 2025, the estimated annual burden to Institutional Coordinators of administering the SED is 12,400 hours per survey cycle.

Therefore, the total information burden for the SED is estimated to be 29,880 (17,480 + 12,400) hours in the 2024 survey cycle and 30,187 (17,787 + 12,400) hours in the 2025 survey cycle. NCSES estimates that the average annual burden for the 2024 and 2025 survey cycles over the course of the three-year OMB clearance period will be no more than 20,022 hours [(29,880 hours + 30,187 hours)/3 years].

*Comments:* Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the NSF, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the NSF's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, use, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[NRC-2022-0204]**

### **Relocation of Draft and Regulatory Guide Notices in the Federal Register**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Categorization of notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is notifying the public that documents regarding draft and final Regulatory Guides that historically have been published in the "Notices" section of the **Federal Register** will now be published in the "Proposed Rules" and "Rules and Regulations" sections of the **Federal**

**Register.** The Office of the Federal Register recently informed the NRC that under their guidelines, these documents fall into the "Proposed Rules" and "Rules and Regulations" categories and requested that the NRC reclassify these notices.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2022-0204 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2022-0204. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Stacy Schumann; telephone: 301-415-0624; email: [Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov](mailto:Stacy.Schumann@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 obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, 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](mailto:PDR.Resource@nrc.gov).

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents, by appointment, at the NRC's PDR, Room P1 B35, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to [PDR.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:PDR.Resource@nrc.gov) or call 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stacy Schuman, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone: 301-415-0624; email: [Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov](mailto:Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NRC issues Draft Guides (DGs) and Regulatory Guides (RGs) to gather input and provide guidance to licensees and applicants on implementing specific parts of the NRC's regulations, techniques used by NRC staff in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data needed by the staff in its review of applications for permits or licenses, as noted in chapter I of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR). DGs and RGs

historically have been published in the “Notices” section of the **Federal Register**.

Under the Federal Register Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 15), the Administrative Committee of the **Federal Register** issues regulations regarding publishing documents in the **Federal Register** (see 1 CFR 1). Based on these governing regulations, the Office of the Federal Register (OFR) classifies agency documents published in the **Federal Register** in one of three categories: rules and regulations, proposed rules, and notices. The regulation establishing document types is available in 1 CFR 5.9.

In accordance with the OFR’s request that the NRC reclassify DGs and RGs, these documents will henceforth be published in the “Proposed Rules” or “Rules and Regulations” section of the **Federal Register**. This change is effective immediately.

Dated: December 5, 2022.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Cindy K. Bladey,**

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## OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

[OMB Control No. 3255–0005]

### Form OSC–14

**AGENCY:** Office of Special Counsel.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection activity.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) implementing regulations, and the Government Paperwork Elimination Act, OSC obtained approval from OMB on September 18, 2017, for a new, dynamic electronic form to be used for filing complaints and disclosures with OSC. OSC revised the previously-approved form, known as Form OSC–14, in July 2019 to reflect interim statutory changes and sought and obtained emergency OMB/OIRA processing of the new information collection. The final rule authorizing use of Form OSC–14 went into effect on August 26, 2019, and OMB approval on February 3, 2020, allows use of the form, as revised, through March 2023. This proposed information collection seeks to extend OSC’s period of using the form through 2026.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before February 7, 2023. Note, however, that OMB is required to

act on the collection of information discussed in this proposed rule between 30 and 60 days after this notice’s publication in the **Federal Register**.

Therefore, comments are best assured of having full effect if received by OMB within 30 days of this notice’s publication in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments online at this website:

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

- *In writing, by mail, to:* Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for OSC, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; or by email via: [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov).

Comments received may be posted to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Susan K. Ullman, General Counsel, U.S. Office of Special Counsel, by telephone at (202) 804–7000, or by email at [sullman@osc.gov](mailto:sullman@osc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** OSC is a permanent independent federal investigative and prosecutorial agency. OSC’s basic authorities come from four federal statutes: The Civil Service Reform Act, the Whistleblower Protection Act, the Hatch Act, and the Uniformed Services Employment & Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA). OSC’s primary mission is to safeguard the merit system by protecting federal employees and applicants from prohibited personnel practices, especially reprisal for whistleblowing, and to serve as a safe channel for allegations of wrongdoing.

### Procedural Determinations

*Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA):* OSC submits this proposed collection to OMB for review pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

*Title of Collection:* Updated Form OSC–14: Electronic Submission of Allegations and Disclosures.

The updated electronic form is available on the OSC website at <http://www.osc.gov>.

*Type of Information Collection Request:* Approval of a collection of information from individuals who choose to file complaints or disclosures with OSC. The proposed collection is the same as the collection that was approved on February 3, 2020 and replaces three separate forms OSC previously used to collect the information.

*Affected Public:* Current and former Federal employees, applicants for

Federal employment, state and local government employees, and their representatives, and the general public.

*Respondent’s Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Estimated Annual Number of Form OSC–14 Respondents:* 6,000 (estimate based on a review of recent OSC Annual Reports and Congressional Budget Justifications, and trends).

*Frequency of Use of Updated Form OSC–14:* Daily.

*Estimated Average Amount of Time for a Person to Respond Using Form OSC–14:* For prohibited personnel practice and other prohibited activities allegations, one hour and 15 minutes; for whistleblower disclosures, one hour; and for Hatch Act allegations, 30 minutes to complete the form. OSC based these estimates on testing completed by OSC employees during the development of the collection form.

*Estimated Annual Burden for Filing Form OSC–14:* 6917.5 hours.

*Abstract:* The electronic form must be used to submit allegations of possible prohibited personnel practices or other prohibited activity for investigation and possible prosecution by OSC and is recommended for filing disclosures of covered wrongdoing for review and possible referral to heads of agencies. The form may also be used by individuals to file complaints under the Hatch Act.

Dated: December 5, 2022.

**Travis Millsaps,**

*Deputy Special Counsel for Policy.*

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## PEACE CORPS

### Information Collection Request; Submission for OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Peace Corps.

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice of request for public comments and submission to OMB for proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Peace Corps is submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 5, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Address written comments and recommendations for the proposed