

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**Agency Information Collection
Activities: Comment Request****AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review;
Comment request

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation (NSF) is inviting the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this proposed continuing information collection. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register** at 67 FR 2248 and no comments were received. NSF is forwarding the proposed submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice.

DATES: Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by OMB within 30 days of publication in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NSF, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of NSF's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; or (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 of other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for National Science Foundation, 725-17th Street, NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, and to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230 or send e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov. Copies of the submission may be obtained by calling (703) 292-7556.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton, NSF Reports Clearance Officer at (703) 292-7556 or send e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information

unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: The Cross Site Analysis of the Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) Program.

OMB Control No.: 3145-0182.

Abstract: This document has been prepared to support the clearance of data collection instruments to be used in the evaluation of the Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) Program. This site-based interview component is a part of a mixed method implementation and impact study and is comprised of on-site interviews of PIs, trainees, key faculty, and administrative personnel for all IGERT projects in their third year of funding (approximately 20 sites per year). It complements and verifies data from the previously cleared IGERT Distance Monitoring System (a Web-based survey completed annually by the project Principal Investigators, funded trainees, and non-funded associate students). While the Web-based survey provides prescribed and consistent data across all IGERT sites, site visits allow the collection of site-specific, in-depth information that answers questions raised by the Web-based collection and extends its scope. The two approaches inform and enrich each other to provide the clearest and most complete portrait possible of the evaluated program. Data are needed by NSF for program monitoring and to support program analysis, impact assessment, and evaluation activities.

Expected Respondents: Interview respondents at each IGERT project will include: The Principal Investigator, Co-Principal Investigators, Faculty associated with the project or advisors to trainees, Funded Trainees, Non-Funded Associates, and University Administrators.

Burden on the Public: Burden for respondents varies according to role, from 30 minutes to three hours. A total of 34 hours and 30 minutes interview time is projected for the estimated 44 respondents at each site. Over the average of 20 sites each year, this amounts to 880 respondents and a total of 690 hours. Burden to the public is limited because all respondents are limited to those associated with IGERT projects in their third year of implementation.

Dated: May 3, 2002.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY
COMMISSION**

[Docket No. 50-412]

Pennsylvania Power Company, Ohio Edison Company, FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company, Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 2; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an exemption from Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), Section 54.17(c), for Facility Operating License No. NPF-73, issued to FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (the licensee), for operation of the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 2 (BVPS-2), located in Beaver County, Pennsylvania. Therefore, as required by 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment*Identification of the Proposed Action*

The proposed action would exempt the licensee from the requirement of 10 CFR 54.17(c), which specifies that an applicant (for the purposes of license renewal the licensee is the applicant) may apply for a renewed operating license no earlier than 20 years before the expiration of the operating license currently in effect.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for an exemption dated December 17, 2001.

The Need for the Proposed Action

In accordance with 10 CFR 54.17(c), the earliest date that the applicant could apply for a renewed operating license for BVPS-2 would be May 28, 2007. The proposed action would allow the applicant to file a license renewal application for BVPS-2 concurrent with the renewal application for Beaver Valley Power Station Unit No. 1 (BVPS-1), which has less than 20 years before expiration of its current operating license on January 29, 2016. The request seeks only schedular relaxation without any other substantive reliefs.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that the issuance of the proposed exemption will not have a significant environmental impact. The exemption, if granted, will permit the applicant to apply for renewal of the BVPS-2 license sooner than the schedule specified by 10 CFR 54.17(c). When the applicant does apply for license renewal, the environmental impacts of operating the Beaver Valley units under the renewed licenses will then be submitted by the applicant and evaluated by the staff. In short, granting of the exemption will not necessitate, or lead to, changes to the as-built plant design, or to existing procedures at BVPS-2.

The NRC staff evaluated potential radiological environmental impacts associated with granting the requested exemption. Since no plant design or procedure changes will be made, no new accident causal mechanisms would be introduced.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released off site, and there is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to the potential non-radiological impacts, the proposed action does not have a potential to affect any historic sites. The proposed action involves no plant design or procedure changes, it does not increase or decrease non-radiological plant effluents, and has no other environmental impact from those previously evaluated by the NRC staff in the Final Environmental Statement (FES) for BVPS-2 dated September 1985. Therefore, there are no significant non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed action, the NRC staff considered denial of the proposed action (i.e., the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

The action does not involve the use of any different resources than those previously considered in the FES for BVPS-2 dated September 1985.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on March 20, 2002, the NRC staff consulted with Pennsylvania State official, Larry Ryan, Bureau of Radiation Protection, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's request for exemption dated December 17, 2001. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 3rd day of May 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Proposed Generic Communication (TAC No. MB2788); Control Room Envelope Habitability**

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to issue a generic letter concerning control room envelope (CRE) habitability determination. The purpose of the proposed generic letter is to: (1) Alert addressees to findings at U.S. power reactor facilities that suggest that CRE licensing and design bases, and applicable regulatory requirements may not be met, and that a technical specification surveillance requirement may not be adequate to verify CRE operability, (2) emphasize the importance of reliable, comprehensive surveillance testing to verify CRE habitability, and (3) request addressees to submit information that demonstrates that the CRE at each of their respective facilities complies with the current licensing and design basis and applicable regulatory requirements, and that suitable design, maintenance and testing control measures are in place for maintaining this compliance. The NRC is seeking comment from interested parties regarding both the technical and regulatory aspects of the proposed generic letter, presented under the Supplementary Information heading.

The NRC will consider comments received from interested parties in the final evaluation of the proposed generic letter. The NRC's final evaluation will include a review of its technical positions and, as appropriate, an analysis of the value/impact on licensees. Should this generic letter be issued by the NRC, it will become available for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room.

The NRC maintains an Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. These documents may be accessed through the NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room (PERR) on the Internet at < <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> >. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff by phone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, by e-mail to <pdr@nrc.gov>, or by Fax at 301-415-3548. The ADAMS Accession No. for the document containing the proposed generic letter is ML021090031.

DATES: Comment period expires August 7, 2002. Comments submitted after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given except for comments received on or before this date.