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2. Is the burden estimate accurate?

3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F23, Rockville, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T-6 E6, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at 301-415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at INFOCOLLECTS@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of January 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC has recently submitted to OMB for review the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The NRC hereby 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.

1. *Type of submission:* Revision.

2. *The title of the information collection:* NUREG/BR-0238, Materials Annual Fee Billing Handbook, NRC Form 628, "Financial EDI Authorization", NUREG/BR-0254, Payment Methods, NRC Form 629, "Authorization for Payment by Credit Card".

3. *The form number if applicable:* NRC Form 628, "Financial EDI Authorization", NRC Form 629, "Authorization for Payment by Credit Card".

4. *How often the collection is required:* Annually.

5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* Anyone doing business with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission including licensees, applicants and individuals who are required to pay a fee for inspections and licenses.

6. *An estimate of the number of responses:* 530 (50 for NRC Form 628 and 480 for NRC Form 629 and NUREG/BR-0254).

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 530 (50 for the NRC Form 628 and 480 for NRC Form 629 and NUREG/BR-0254).

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 42 (4 hours for NRC Form 628 and 38 for NRC Form 629 and NUREG/BR-0254).

9. *An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies:* Not applicable.

10. *Abstract:* The U.S. Department of the Treasury encourages the public to pay monies owed the government through use of the Automated Clearinghouse Network and credit cards. These two methods of payment are used by licensees, applicants, and individuals to pay civil penalties, full cost licensing fees, and inspection fees to the NRC.

A copy of the final supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F23, Rockville, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>). The document will be available on the NRC 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 March 8, 2002. 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. Bryon Allen, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0190),

NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3087.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo Shelton, 301-415-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of January 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to OMB and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a submittal to OMB for review of continued approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. *The title of the information collection:* 10 CFR part 20—Standards for Protection Against Radiation.

2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0014.

3. *How often the collection is required:* Annually for most reports and at license termination for reports dealing with decommissioning.

4. *Who is required or asked to report:* NRC licensees, including those requesting license termination.

5. *The number of annual respondents:* The total annual number of NRC licensees responding to this requirement by either reporting or recordkeeping is 5,048.

6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 141,183.

7. *Abstract:* 10 CFR part 20 establishes standards for protection against ionizing radiation resulting from activities conducted under licenses issued by the NRC. These standards require the establishment of radiation protection programs, maintenance of radiation records, recording of radiation received by workers, reporting of incidents which could cause exposure to radiation, submittal of an annual report

to NRC of the results of individual monitoring, and submittal of license termination information. These mandatory requirements are needed to protect occupationally exposed individuals from undue risks of excessive exposure to ionizing radiation and to protect the health and safety of the public.

Submit, by April 8, 2002, comments that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
2. Is the burden estimate accurate?
3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?
4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>). The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T-6 E 6, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at (301) 415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at INFOCOLLECTS@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of January, 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel

[Docket No's. 50-369-LR, 50-370-LR, 50-413-LR, and 50-414-LR; ASLBP No. 02-794-01-LR]

In the Matter of Duke Energy Corporation, (McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2); Notice of Hearing Before Administrative Judges: Ann Marshall Young, Chair, Dr. Charles N. Kelber, Lester S. Rubenstein

January 31, 2002.

This proceeding concerns the license renewal application (LRA) of Duke Energy Corporation (Duke), seeking approval under 10 CFR part 54 to renew the operating licenses for its McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, and Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, for additional twenty-year periods commencing in 2021, 2023, 2024 and 2026, respectively. After noting receipt of the application, *see* 66 FR 37,072 (July 16, 2001), the NRC Staff determined it to be complete and acceptable for docketing and on August 15, 2001, provided a notice of opportunity for hearing with regard to the application. *See* 66 FR 42,893 (Aug. 15, 2001). In response to this notice, Petitioners Nuclear Information and Resource Service (NIRS) and Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League (BREDL), both appearing through non-attorney representatives, timely filed petitions to intervene and requests for hearing on September 14, 2001. By Order dated October 4, 2001, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission referred the hearing requests and intervention petitions to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, CLI-01-20, 54 NRC 211 (2001), and on October 5, 2001, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, consisting of the members listed above, was established to preside over the proceeding. *See* 66 FR 52,158 (Oct. 12, 2001).

Notice is hereby given that, by Memorandum and Order dated January 24, 2002, the Board granted Petitioners NIRS and BREDL a hearing, after holding oral argument in Charlotte, North Carolina, on December 18-19, 2001. LBP-02-04, 54 NRC (Jan. 24, 2002). In this Memorandum and Order, the Board found that both NIRS and BREDL have standing to proceed, admitted contentions relating to the anticipated use of plutonium mixed oxide (MOX) fuel in the Duke plants and to ice condensers and station blackout risks, and certified one

question relating to terrorism risks to the Commission for its consideration.

This proceeding will be conducted under the Commission's hearing procedures set forth in 10 CFR part 2, subpart G. During the course of the proceeding, the Board may conduct additional oral argument as provided in 10 CFR 2.755, hold additional prehearing conferences pursuant to 10 CFR 2.752, and conduct an evidentiary hearing in accordance with 10 CFR 2.750-751. The time and place of these sessions will be announced in Licensing Board Orders. Except as limited by the parameters of telephone conferences (which will in any event be transcribed), members of the public are invited to attend any such sessions.

Additionally, as provided in 10 CFR 2.715(a), any person not a party to the proceeding may submit a written limited appearance statement setting forth his or her position on the issues in the proceeding. Persons wishing to submit a written limited appearance statement should send it to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff. A copy of the statement should also be served on the Chair of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. At a later date, the Board will entertain oral limited appearance statements at a location in the vicinity of the Duke plants, which are both situated within a 20-mile radius of Charlotte, North Carolina. Notice of these oral limited appearance sessions will be published in the **Federal Register** and/or made available to the public at the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

Documents related to this proceeding are available electronically through the Agencywide Documents access and Management System (ADAMS), with access to the public through the NRC's Internet Web site (Public Electronic Reading Room Link, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>). The NRC Public Documents Room (PDR) and many public libraries have terminals for public access to the Internet. Documents that may relate to this proceeding that are dated earlier than December 1, 1999, are available in microfiche form (with print form available on one-day recall) for public inspection at the PDR, Room 0-1 F21, NRC One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852-2738.

Rockville, Maryland.

Dated: January 31, 2002.