

hearing in accordance with § 2.1205(d). A request for a hearing must be filed within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this **Federal Register** notice.

The request for a hearing must be filed with the Office of the Secretary either:

1. By delivery to: Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738; between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays; or
2. By mail or facsimile addressed to: Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

In accordance with 10 CFR § 2.1205(f), each request for a hearing must also be served, by delivering it personally or by mail, to:

1. The applicant, The Dow Chemical Company, 1261 Building, Midland, Michigan 48667, Attention: Mr. Ben Baker, Project Manager; and
2. The NRC staff, by delivery to the Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738, between 7:45 am and 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays; or by mail addressed to the Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

In addition to meeting other applicable requirements of 10 CFR part 2 of NRC's regulations, a request for a hearing filed by a person other than an applicant must describe in detail:

1. The interest of the requester in the proceeding;
2. How that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, including the reasons why the requester should be permitted a hearing, with particular reference to the factors set out in § 2.1205(h);
3. The requester's areas of concern about the licensing activity that is the subject matter of the proceeding; and
4. The circumstance establishing that the request for a hearing is timely in accordance with § 2.1205(d).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The application for the LA and supporting documentation are available for inspection at NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>. Questions with respect to this action should be referred to Sam Nalluswami, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear

Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: (301) 415-6694. Fax: (301) 415-5398.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day of August 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Larry W. Camper,

Chief, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Availability of Internet Web Page for Discussion of the Nuclear Material Management and Safeguards System

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is making available an Internet web site for the purpose of facilitating comments from NRC stakeholders pertaining to the on-going upgrade of the Nuclear Materials Management and Safeguards System. The Nuclear Materials Management and Safeguards System (NMMSS) serves as the U.S. Government's nuclear materials information system. It contains current and historic data on the possession and shipment of source¹ and special nuclear material.² The NMMSS upgrade potentially could have an impact on the reporting burden of NRC licensees.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barry Mendelsohn, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, telephone 301-415-7262, e-mail: btm1@nrc.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

¹ As used by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the term "source material" means uranium containing the mixture of isotopes occurring in nature; uranium depleted in the isotope 235; thorium; any of the foregoing in the form of metal, alloy, chemical compound, or concentrate; any other material containing one or more of the foregoing in such concentration as the IAEA Board of Governors shall from time to time determine; and such other material as the Board of Governors shall from time to time determine.

² Special nuclear material means (1) plutonium, uranium 233, uranium enriched in the isotope 233 or in the isotope 235, and any other material which the Commission, pursuant to the provisions of section 51 of the Atomic Energy Act, determines to be special nuclear material, but does not include source material; or (2) any material artificially enriched by any of the foregoing but does not include source material.

Background

NMMSS satisfies the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, for "a program for Government control of the possession, use, and production of atomic energy and special nuclear material, whether owned by the Government or others, so directed as to make the maximum contribution to the common defense and security and the national welfare, and to provide continued assurance of the Government's ability to enter into and enforce agreements with nations or groups of nations for the control of special nuclear materials . . ." It is used to satisfy obligations to the International Atomic Energy Agency for a State system of accountability of source and special nuclear materials. Transaction, Inventory and Material Balance data are reported to NMMSS from 1130 facilities that are either operated for the Department of Energy (DOE) or regulated by the NRC.

NMMSS is managed jointly by the NRC and the DOE. It is operated by NAC International under contract to DOE.

The contractor currently runs NMMSS in a personal computer environment using the FoxPro data base management platform. The FoxPro platform is no longer supported by its owner. Because it is an obsolete platform, its use is a detriment to attracting and retaining competent contractor staff. Also, NMMSS is still based on the original 80-column design from 1965 main frame days. This limits the ability of programmers to make even minor format changes that users may request. Its current format does not adequately meet needs of the U.S. State Department for tracking foreign obligations attached to some foreign origin nuclear material.

NMMSS is being upgraded by NAC International to an Oracle platform and redesigned in order to respond to customers' needs. The changes to NMMSS from this upgrade may eventually require NRC licensees and certificate holders to make some conforming changes to the formats of their own materials management software.

The funding for the NMMSS contract is currently shared by the DOE and NRC with two-thirds provided by DOE and one-third by the NRC. The cost of the upgrade is also being shared, but with NRC being responsible for a somewhat lesser share of the funding. The NRC's NMMSS expenses contribute to fees charged to its licensees under the "full-fee recovery" provision of its appropriation legislation.

Internet Web Site

The full web address (URL) of the NRC's NMMSS web site is: http://techconf.llnl.gov/cgi-bin/library?source=html&library=nmmss_info&file=background

The web site can also be reached by the following method:

1. Go the main NRC web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov>

2. Scroll down towards the bottom of that page and click on the word "Rulemaking."

3. Scroll down on the Rulemaking page till you see the words "Technical Conference." Click on those words.

4. On the page titled "Welcome to the NRC Technical Conference Forum," click where it says to participate in Technical Conferences.

5. Scroll down to the topic "Nuclear Materials Management and Safeguards System." Comments may be submitted on-line by clicking on "comments." You may also view other comments submitted by clicking on "comments."

In addition to participating via the Internet, you may also submit comments in writing to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Attn: Barry T. Mendelsohn (ms T-8H7), Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of August 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Charles W. Emeigh,

Section Chief, Safety and Safeguards Support Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Review of Reinstated Information Collection: Instructions and Form 1417

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for clearance of a revised information collection. Form 1417, Combined Federal Campaign Annual Reporting, is used to collect information from 384 local CFC's around the country to verify campaign results.

We estimate 384 Form 1417's are completed annually. Each form takes approximately 60 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 384 hours.

Comments are particularly invited on:

- Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility;
- Whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and
- Ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use of the appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on 202/606-8358, or E-mail to mbtoomey@opm.gov.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before October 16, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to: Mara T. Paternoster, Director, Office of CFC Operations, US Office of Personnel Management, 1900 "E" Street, NW, Room 5450, Washington, DC 20415.

For information regarding administrative coordination contact: Mara T. Paternoster, Director, Office of CFC Operations, US Office of Personnel Management, 1900 "E" Street, NW, Room 5450, Washington, DC 20415, (202) 606-2564.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Review of a New Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), Office of Human Resource Development, submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of a new information collection instrument.

OPM is committed to improving its programs and assuring that the training and assistance needs of client agencies are met. Our website (<http://www.opm.gov/hrd>) is instrumental in providing widespread access to information on human resource development programs, practices, and policies to our client agencies. In order to determine our success, OPM needs to learn what constituents think about the content of the website and its effectiveness. We're Listening—A Survey of the OHRD Website is designed for this purpose.

This is a new information collection instrument; therefore, an estimate of how many will be completed annually is not possible. The OHRD website averages over 30,000 hits per week. The survey should take a maximum of 10 minutes to complete.

The annual estimated burden is 5,000 hours.

Comments are invited on:

- Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility;
- Whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and
- Ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use of the appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, or mbtoomey@opm.gov.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before September 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—

Sarah D. Adams, Director, Office of Human Resource Development, Office of Workforce Relations, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 1453

and

Joseph Lackey, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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