stakeholder confidence in the NRC, and (3) increases regulatory effectiveness and efficiency. In this regard, the NRC desires the revised oversight program to be more risk-informed and performance-based and more focused on significant risks and poorer performers.

The workshop will focus on:

• Industry initiatives for identification, resolution, and correction of problems
• Objective and scope of safety and safeguards oversight program cornerstones
• Key safety and safeguards risk attributes for each cornerstone
• Safety and safeguards performance attributes the NRC needs to monitor and assess to ensure cornerstone objectives are met
• Performance monitoring attributes and means

DATES: The workshop, which is open for public participation, is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 22, and Wednesday, February 23, 2000.

ADDRESSES: NRC's Two White Flint North Auditorium, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. Visitor parking around the NRC is limited; however, the meeting site is located adjacent to the White Flint Station on the Metro Red Line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Walter Schwink, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, telephone (301) 415–7253, e-mail *wss@nrc.gov.*

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 1st day of February 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Walter Schwink,

Assistant Chief, Operations Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Revised Reactor Oversight Process Workshop

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing significant revisions to its processes for overseeing the safety performance of commercial nuclear power plants that include integrating the inspection, assessment, and enforcement processes. As part of its proposal, the NRC staff established a new regulatory oversight framework with a set of performance indicators and associated thresholds, developed a new baseline inspection program that supplements and verifies the performance indicators, and created a continuous assessment process that includes a method for consistently determining the appropriate regulatory actions in response to varying levels of safety performance. The changes are the result of continuing work on a concept as described in SECY–99–007, ''Recommendations for Reactor Oversight Process Improvements'' dated January 8, 1999, and SECY–99–007A, ''Recommendations for Reactor Oversight Improvements (Follow-Up to SECY–99–007)'' dated March 22, 1999. On June 18, 1999, the Staff Requirements Memorandum on SECY–99–007 and SECY–99–007A was issued which approved the scope and concepts for the revised reactor oversight process (RROP), and approved the staff's plan for conducting a pilot program. The six-month pilot program for the RROP was conducted at two sites per region from May 30, 1999, to November 27, 1999. The purpose of the pilot program was to apply the RROP and collect lessons learned so that the various processes and procedures could be refined and revised as necessary prior to initial implementation.

Now that the pilot program is complete and lessons learned identified, the NRC will hold public workshops in each of the four NRC regions. The workshop will provide information to NRC, industry, and the public on the NRC's Revised Reactor Oversight Process that is currently scheduled to be implemented starting April 2, 2000, pending NRC Commission approval. The workshop will focus on the key attributes of the new oversight process and their associated program documents.

Information about the revised reactor oversight process and the pilot program is available on the Internet at: *www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/index.html*

A preliminary agenda for the workshop will consist of the following:

Day 1: registration, background and concept review, workshop objectives, performance indicators—overview, performance indicator threshold review, examples, and recent changes

Day 2: baseline inspection program—overview, program review, procedure review, and recent changes supplemental inspection program, inspection planning and documentation regional inspection planning significance determination processes (SDP)—reactor and non-reactor, including recent changes

Day 3: reactor and non-reactor SDPs) examples of SDP and enforcement (parallel breakout sessions for enforcement and recent changes event response inspection activities assessment process, examples, and recent changes wrap-up/closing remarks

DATES: Registration for the workshop will be held from 8:00 to 10:00 on the first day of the workshop. There is no pre-registration. The workshop will run from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the first day and from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the second and third day.

Workshop Locations

Region III

Date: Feb 22–24

Address: Hilton Lisle/Naperville, IL, 3003 Corporate West Dr, Lisle, IL 60532.

Telephone: (630)–505–0900.

Special Rate: $89.00*

Cut off date: 1/31/2000

Region II

Date: March 6–8, 2000

Address: Georgia International Convention Center (Location is Tentative), 1902 Sullivan Road, College Park, GA 30337–0506.

Hotel: There are a number of Hotels in the immediate area. The convention center does not have sleeping facilities.

Region IV

Date: March 14–16, 2000.

Address: Wyndham Arlington, 1500 Convention Center Drive, Arlington, TX 76011.

Telephone: (800)–442–7275.

Special Rate: $77*.

Cut off date: 2/11/2000.

Region I

Dated: March 21–23, 2000.

Address: Holiday Inn, Independence Mall, 400 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA.

Telephone: (800)–843–2355.

Special Rate: $139*.

Cut off date: 2/28/2000.

* Special group rate is available when registering with the hotel and asking for the ''NRC's Regulatory Oversight Process Workshop'' block of rooms. The group rate is subject to applicable state and local taxes and availability.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alan Madison, Mail Stop: O5–H4, Inspection Program Branch, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–001, telephone 301–415–1490.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of January 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

William M. Dean,

Chief, Inspection Program Branch, Division of Inspection Program Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and purpose of information collection: Application and Claim for Unemployment Benefits and Employment Service, OMB 3220–0022.

Section 2 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA), provides unemployment benefits for qualified railroad employees. These benefits are generally payable for each day of unemployment in excess of four during a registration period (normally a period of 14 days). Section 12 of the RUIA provides that the RRB establish, maintain and operate free employment facilities directed toward the reemployment of railroad employees. The procedures for applying for the unemployment benefits and employment service and for registering and claiming the benefits are prescribed in 20 CFR 325.

RRB Form UI–1, Application for Unemployment Benefits and Employment Service, is completed by a claimant for unemployment benefits once in a benefit year, at the time of first registration. Completion of Form UI–1 also registers an unemployment claimant for the RRB's employment service. Significant non-burden impacting, formatting and editorial changes are being proposed to Form UI–1.

The RRB also utilizes Form UI–3, Claim for Unemployment Benefits, for use in claiming unemployment benefits for days of unemployment in a particular registration period, normally a period of 14 days. The RRB proposes minor non-burden impacting editorial changes to UI–3.

Completion of Forms UI–1 and UI–3 is required to obtain or retain benefits. The number of responses required of each claimant varies, depending on their period of unemployment. The RRB estimates that approximately 11,200 Form UI–1's are filed annually. Completion time is estimated at 10 minutes. The RRB estimates that approximately 67,500 Form UI–3's are filed annually. Completion time is estimated at 6 minutes.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS: To request more information or to obtain a copy of the information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, please call the RRB Clearance Officer at (312) 751–3363. Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 N. Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611–2092. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Chuck Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC–24271; 812–11954]

AirTouch Communications, Inc.; Notice of Application

January 28, 2000.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (''SEC'').

ACTION: Notice of application for an order under section 3(b)(2) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the ''Act'').

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: AirTouch Communications, Inc. (''AirTouch'') requests an order under section 3(b)(2) of the Act declaring that it is engaged primarily in a business other than that of investing, reinvesting, owning, holding, or trading in securities.

Filing Dates: The application was filed on January 24, 2000.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the requested relief will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on February 22, 2000, and should be accompanied by proof of service on applicant, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 5th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549–0609. AirTouch, One California Street, San Francisco, CA 94111.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J. Amanda Machen, Senior Counsel, (202) 942–7120, or Michael Mundt, Branch Chief, (202) 942–0564 (Office of Investment Company Regulation, Division of Investment Management).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained for a fee at the SEC's Public Reference Branch, 450 5th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549–0102 (Tel. 202–942–8090).

Applicant's Representations

1. AirTouch is a Delaware corporation and a subsidiary of Vodafone AirTouch Public Limited Company (''Vodafone AirTouch''). AirTouch states that it is the third largest provider of cellular and personal communication services in the United States. Vodafone AirTouch owns approximately 96.8% of the outstanding voting securities of AirTouch. AirTouch states that at the present time it is not an investment company under section 3(a) of the Act.

2. On September 21, 1999, Vodafone AirTouch entered into an agreement with Bell Atlantic Corporation (''Bell Atlantic'') to create a new joint venture (''Wireless''), a Delaware general partnership, through which they will conduct their U.S. wireless telecommunications business. AirTouch and Bell Atlantic will transfer their U.S. mobile telecommunications businesses and assets to Wireless (the ''Transaction''), with AirTouch contributing approximately 46% of the value of its total unconsolidated assets. GTE Corp., following its merger with Bell Atlantic, also will contribute its cellular and personal communication services assets to Wireless. After contribution of these assets, AirTouch