

Date and Time: December 11–13; 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Place: Rooms 310, 360, 370, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Drs. Keith N. Crank, William B. Smith, and John Stufken Program Directors, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–8870.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate proposals for the Statistics & Probability Program, as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 23, 2000.

Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Physics; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. Law 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meetings of the Special Emphasis Panel in Physics (1208):

Date/Time: November 8–9, 2000; 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 330 and 1005, Arlington, VA.

Contact Person: Dr. Marvin Goldberg, Program Director for Elementary Particle Physics, Division of Physics, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1015, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–7374.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the Elementary Particle Physics Program for the Rare Symmetry Violating Processes on major project costs of proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Date/Time: November 14, 2000; 9 a.m.–6 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1105, Arlington, VA.

Contact Person: Dr. Boris Kayser, Program Director for Theoretical Physics, Division of Physics, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1015, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–7376.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the Theoretical Physics Program for financial support.

Date/Time: November 28–30, 2000; 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 370 and 970, Arlington, VA.

Contact Person: Dr. Marvin Goldberg, Program Director for Elementary Particle Physics, Division of Physics, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1015, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–7374.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the Elementary Particle Physics Program for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: October 23, 2000.

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Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–382]

Entergy Operations Inc.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Operations Inc. (the licensee), to withdraw its August 4, 1999, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF–38 for the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, located in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana.

The proposed change would have primarily modified Technical Specification (TS) 3.5.2 to extend the allowed outage time to seven days for one high pressure safety injection train inoperable and TS 3.5.3 to change the end-state to HOT SHUTDOWN with at least one OPERABLE shutdown cooling train in operation.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on January 26, 2000 (65 FR 4277). However, by letter dated April 20, 2000, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for

amendment dated August 4, 1999, and the licensee's letter dated April 20, 2000, which withdrew the application for license amendment. These documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Library component on the NRC Web site (the Electronic Reading Room).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of October 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

N. Kalyanam,

Project Manager, Project Directorate IV & Decommissioning, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–382]

Entergy Operations Inc.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Operations Inc. (the licensee), to withdraw its May 28, 1998, application, as supplemented, for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF–38 for the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, located in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana.

The proposed amendment would have modified facility Technical Specification 3.7.1.2 and Surveillance Requirement 4.7.1.2 for the emergency feedwater system.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on November 14, 1998 (63 FR 59593). However, by letter dated September 20, 2000, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated May 28, 1998, as supplemented by letters dated January 31 and July 27, 2000, and the licensee's letter dated September 20, 2000, which withdrew the application for license amendment. These documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records

will be accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Library component on the NRC Web site (the Electronic Reading Room).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of October 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

N. Kalyanam,

Project Manager, Project Directorate IV & Decommissioning, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-458]

Entergy Gulf States, Inc., et al.; Notice of Issuance of Amendment to River Bend Station, Unit 1, Facility Operating License NPF-47

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Commission) has issued Amendment No. 114 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-47 issued to Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and Entergy Operations, Inc. (EOI, or the licensee), which revised the Technical Specifications for operation of the River Bend Station, Unit 1, located in Saint Francisville, Louisiana. The amendment is effective as of the date of issuance and shall be implemented no later than the start-up following the next refueling outage.

The amendment modified the Technical Specifications to increase the maximum allowable thermal power from 2894 megawatts thermal (MWt) to 3039 MWt.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter 1, which are set forth in the license amendment.

Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for a Hearing in connection with this action was published in the **Federal Register** on June 14, 2000 (65 FR 37413). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following this notice.

The Commission has prepared an Environmental Assessment related to the action and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement. Based upon the

environmental assessment, the Commission has concluded that the issuance of the amendment will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment (65 FR 58298).

For further details with respect to the action see (1) the application for amendment dated July 30, 1999, as supplemented by letters dated April 3, May 9, July 18, and August 24, and October 2, 2000, (2) Amendment No. 114 to License No. NPF-47, (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation, and (4) the Commission's Environmental Assessment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of October 2000.

Jefferey F. Harold,

Project Manager, Section 1, Project Directorate IV & Decommissioning, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

SES Performance Review Board

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the appointment of members of the OPM Performance Review Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Reinhold, Office of Human Resources and EEO, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20415, (202) 606-1882.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4314(c) (1) through (5) of Title 5, U.S.C., requires each agency to establish, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, one or more SES performance review boards. The board reviews and evaluates the initial appraisal of a senior executive's performance by the supervisor, and considers recommendations to the appointing authority regarding the performance of the senior executive.

Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

The following have been designated as regular members of the Performance Review Board of the Office of Personnel Management:

John U. Sepulveda, Deputy Director
Mark Hunker, Chief of Staff
William E. Flynn, Associate Director
Henry Romero, Associate Director
Richard A. Ferris, Associate Director
Steven R. Cohen, Associate Director
Carol J. Okin, Associate Director
Emzell Blanton, Jr., Director, Office of Workforce Relations
Kirke Harper, Director of Human Resources and EEO

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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 to Act as Representative Payee; OMB 3220-0052. Under Section 12 of the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) may pay benefits to a representative payee when an employee, spouse or survivor annuitant is incompetent or is a minor. A representative payee may be a court-appointed guardian, a statutory conservator or an individual selected by the RRB. The procedures pertaining to the appointment and responsibilities of a representative payee are prescribed in 20 CFR part 266.

The forms furnished by the RRB to apply for representative payee status,