

OSHA will compile the data, generate injury and illness rates by project type, and develop profiles of the relative hazards of various construction types. The agency will use the aggregate rates and profiles mainly to guide its future outreach and enforcement efforts towards the project types with the most significant hazards identified by the data. This collection will provide OSHA with data on illnesses and injuries that are associated with distinct types of construction activity, with the various phases of construction, and with the methods, materials, and hazards that are common to those types of work. With this data, OSHA will obtain a measure of injuries and illnesses that affect all employees—regardless of employer—on a common construction project. OSHA could then target its resources to projects with a greater potential for illness and injuries by weighting the selection of types of projects by their relative degree of hazardousness.

II. Current Actions

This notice requests public comment pertaining to OMB approval of the paperwork requirements for the Construction Project Survey.

Type of Review: New collection.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Construction Project Survey.

OMB Number: 1218-XXXX.

Agency Number: ICR 1218-0New1 (2003).

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc:

Construction Project Survey Form.

Total Respondents: 2,500.

Frequency: Recordkeeping.

Average Time per Response: 3 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 7,500 hours.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 26, 2002.

John L. Henshaw,

Assistant Secretary.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Emergency Clearance; Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget; Notice

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Emergency clearance: public information collection requirements submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request emergency approval of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), we are providing an opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting that OMB approve clearance of this collection for no longer than six months.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted below, comments on these information collection and record keeping requirements must be received by the designees referenced below by December 26, 2002

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov, and Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Attn: Stuart Shapiro, NSF Desk Officer.

COMMENTS: Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; 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 or other forms of information technology.

We are, however, requesting an emergency review of the information collection referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have

submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. We are requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR part 1320. When we have received approval, we will begin the process for regular approval.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 292-7556; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Universities and Colleges: Fiscal Year 2002.

OMB Approval Number: OMB 3145-0100.

Expiration Date: April 30, 2002.

Use of the Information: This survey is conducted as an annual census of about 610 academic institutions and their 16 Federally-funded research and development centers. NSF's Division of Science Resources Statistics designs, supports, directs and administers periodic surveys and other data collections, including R&D surveys. Recently, coverage of (the Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Universities and Colleges, <http://www.nsf.gov/sbe/srs/rdexp/start.htm>) was expanded to collect information on R&D about each of the Nation's 36 Federally-funded R&D centers, whether administered by universities (16), industrial firms (4), or nonprofit organizations (16). (As directed under the Federal Acquisition Regulations recorded in the **Federal Register** "35.017-6 Master list of FFRDCs, [t]he National Science Foundation (NSF) maintains a list of FFRDCs. Primary sponsors will provide information on each FFRDC, including sponsoring agreements, mission statements, funding data, and type of R&D being performed, to the NSF upon its request for such information." The Division of Science Resources Statistics (SRS) maintains the Master FFRDC List, and thus fulfills this responsibility of NSF's as well. * * *

The academic institutions account for over 95 percent of the Nation's academic R&D funds. This survey has

provided continuity of statistics since 1954 on R&D expenditures by source of funds and by science & engineering (S&E) field, with separate data requested on current fund expenditures for research equipment by S&E field. Statistics from the survey are published in NSF's annual publication series Academic Science and Engineering R&D Expenditures and are available electronically on the World Wide Web.

The survey will be submitted electronically primarily to the administrators at the Institutional Research Offices. To minimize burden and provide for security, each institution is provided with their institutional code and password. Files are pre-loaded with the institution's previous year's data, instructions, help menus, and a complete program for editing and trend checking. A link is provided to print a complete pdf survey form. Respondents are encouraged to submit their response electronically via the web. Approximately 95% responded via the web and only 15 used other means to submit their data (telephone, paper, email) to this voluntary survey in FY 2001. A total response rate of 95.6% was obtained. Burden estimates are as follows:

| Years | Doctorate-granting burden hours | Masters-granting burden hours | Bachelors degree or below burden hours |
|---------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| FY 1999 | 29.3 | 13.0 | 7.4 |
| FY 2000 | 28.7 | 12.0 | 10.4 |
| FY 2001 | 30.2 | 11.9 | 9.0 |

Dated: November 26, 2002.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND PLACE: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 10, 2002.

PLACE: NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20594.

STATUS: The One Item is Open to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

7263B Aviation Accident Report—Loss of control and impact with Pacific Ocean, Alaska Airlines flight 261, McDonnell Douglas MD-83, N963AS,

about 2.7 miles north of Anacapa Island, California, January 31, 2000.

News Media Contact: Telephone: (202) 314-6100. Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Ms. Carolyn Dargan at (202) 314-6305 by Friday, December 6, 2002.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Vicky D'Onofrio, (202) 314-6410.

Dated: November 29, 2002.

Vicky D'Onofrio,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE: Weeks of December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2002, January 6, 2003.

PLACE: Commissioner's Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of December 2, 2002

Wednesday, December 4, 2002

8:45 a.m.

Discussion of security issues (closed-Ex. 1)

10 a.m.

Briefing on decommissioning bankruptcy issues (closed-Ex. 4&9)

Week of December 9, 2002—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 9, 2002.

Week of December 16, 2002—Tentative

Tuesday, December 17, 2002

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on policy options and recommendations for revising the NRC's process for handling discrimination issues (public meeting) (contact: Ho Nieh, 301-415-1721)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—www.nrc.gov.

Wednesday, December 18, 2002

9:30 a.m.

Meeting with Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) (public meeting) (contact: John Larkins, 301-415-7360)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—www.nrc.gov.

Week of December 23, 2002—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 23, 2002.

Week of December 30, 2002—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of December 30, 2002.

Week of January 6, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of January 6, 2003.

The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meeting call (recording)—(301) 415-1292.

Contact persons for more information: R. Michelle Schroll (301) 415-1662.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at : www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule/html.

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This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20555 (301-415-1969). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to dkw@nrc.gov.

Dated: November 27, 2002.

R. Michelle Schroll,

Acting Technical Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

[Order No. 1353]

Petition Seeking a Proceeding

AGENCY: Postal Rate Commission.

ACTION: Notice and order on petition seeking a proceeding.

SUMMARY: A petition has been filed seeking review of the jurisdictional status of numerous services offered by the Postal Service, such as First Class Phone Cards and Returns@ease. The petition also seeks, for services deemed non-jurisdictional, development of accounting and reporting rules. Although formal action on the petition has been deferred pending completion of a related Postal Service assessment, the Commission is soliciting comments from the public.

DATES: Submit comments by January 30, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system, which may be accessed at <http://www.prc.gov>. See