

1502.9(d). As discussed in the February 2023 memorandum, entitled “Determination of NEPA Adequacy, Production of Tritium in a Commercial Light Water Nuclear Reactor (Watts Bar Nuclear Plant),” TVA concluded that there were no new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns that are significant or that substantially change the analysis of the 2016 CLWR SEIS. Recent information reviewed by TVA in most cases confirmed TVA’s previous description of the affected environment. In instances where recent information differed notably, that information does not substantially change the previous environmental analysis. TVA found that the SEIS continues to provide a conservative bounding analysis for a variety of key issues, including the amount of additional fuel assemblies, the expected tritium permeation rate, and waste generation. In addition, TVA confirmed that the CLWR SEIS analysis indicates that there would not be any significant increase in radiation exposure associated with TPBAR irradiation for facility workers or the public. For all analyzed alternatives (including both Alternatives 4 and 6), estimated radiation exposures would remain well below regulatory limits. The calculated estimated exposures for normal reactor operations with even the maximum number of TPBARs are comparable to those for normal reactor operation without TPBARs.

After determining additional environmental review was not necessary, in March 2023 TVA submitted to the NRC a License Amendment Request (#165) to Facility Operating License NPF-90 (#165) and a License Amendment Request (#72) to Facility Operating License NPF-96 for WBN Units 1 and 2. The amendments would allow TVA to increase the maximum number of TPBARs to 2,496 in each WBN unit. The NRC approved the two amendments on April 15, 2024.

Amended Decision

TVA is amending its previous decision (82 FR 16653) to implement the 2016 CLWR SEIS’s Alternative 6 that assumes TVA would irradiate up to a total of 5,000 TPBARs every 18 months using both the WBN and Sequoyah sites. Because TVA would irradiate a maximum of 2,500 TPBARs in any one reactor, this could involve the use of one or both reactors at each of the sites. Instead, TVA has decided to implement the 2016 CLWR SEIS’s Alternative 4 that assumes TVA would irradiate up to a total of 5,000 TPBARs every 18 months at WBN using both reactors. Since TVA would irradiate a maximum of 2,500

TPBARs in any one reactor, both Units 1 and 2 would be used to produce tritium. Under this amended decision, TVA will not irradiate TPBARs for tritium production at the Sequoyah site. This amended decision is consistent with the September 2023 decision by NNSA to amend its previous decision and implement Alternative 4 of the 2016 CLWR SEIS (88 FR 63099).

Basis for Decision

The basis for TVA’s decision is its commitment to provide irradiation services for producing tritium for NNSA under the interagency agreement established in 2000 between the two agencies. The proposal reflects responsible planning on the part of NNSA and provides the greatest flexibility for NNSA to meet future tritium production requirements and assist in meeting national security requirements. The decision reflects TVA’s continued commitment to support the nation’s defense efforts and national security requirements.

The environmental impacts of the proposed action have been addressed in the previous environmental impact statements. TVA’s 2023 Determination of NEPA Adequacy memorandum further addresses consideration by TVA of new information or circumstances relevant to environmental concerns. In its 2023 memorandum, TVA addressed the anticipated effects on the amount of spent fuel to be generated at WBN, the fuel cycle there, and the amount of tritiated wastewater estimated to be generated from TPBAR irradiation.

Regarding the amount of spent fuel to be generated at WBN, implementing Alternative 4 would result in 36 additional fuel assemblies every 18 months. The SEIS, which assumed up to 41 additional fuel assemblies, provides a conservative bounding analysis of the approximately 2,500 TPBAR equilibrium core designs. Although there would be additional spent fuel generated under Alternative 4, TVA has infrastructure in place to manage the increased volume of spent nuclear fuel assemblies.

Regarding the new decision’s effects on the fuel cycle, the cycle length is only mentioned in the SEIS twice and only in the context of being a “potential uncertainty” in determining if it was necessary to assume in the SEIS a higher, more conservative tritium permeation rate. TVA does not consider the operating cycle length to be uncertain, and it also does not anticipate irradiation of up to 2,500 TPBARs at each reactor would affect the typical fuel cycle. Therefore, the issue has no bearing on the review of

adequacy of the SEIS in addressing the irradiation of up to 5,000 TPBARs at WBN.

Lastly, the estimated amount of tritiated wastewater (due to permeation from the TPBARs into the cooling water) was not identified in the SEIS, as it is difficult to separate this out from other releases from such things as turbine building sumps, floor drain collector sumps, groundwater sumps, etc. However, to keep maximum tritium concentrations low, TVA will continue to use a “feed and bleed” technique when releasing wastewater; the technique requires additional cooling water per fuel cycle to ensure discharges are within regulatory limits. TVA estimates using this technique will increase water usage by approximately 25 percent but is not expected to affect environmental impacts.

The current proposal does not represent a substantive change to operations, activities, and associated impacts addressed and analyzed in the existing NEPA documentation. Therefore, based on its review of Alternative 4 in the 2016 CLWR SEIS and TVA’s updated analysis and review for significant new circumstances or information or substantial changes to the proposal, TVA’s decision is reasonable and no further NEPA analysis is required. Similar to the identification in the 2017 ROD, TVA identifies the No Action Alternative as the environmentally preferred alternative in this amended ROD. The amended decision does not affect TVA’s commitment to implement relevant mitigation measures identified in TVA’s 2017 ROD, and TVA will continue to monitor its operations for emissions to air and water in accordance with NRC licensing requirements. TVA has adopted all practicable means to avoid or minimize environmental harm from the selected alternative.

Authority: 40 CFR 1505.2.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Actions

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets

Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC's determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for applicable date(s).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

OFAC: Bradley T. Smith, Director, tel.: 202-622-2490; Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel.: 202-622-2420; Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, tel.: 202-622-4855; or the Assistant Director for Compliance, tel.: 202-622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website (<https://www.treasury.gov/ofac>).

Notice of OFAC Actions

On June 6, 2024, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authority listed below.

Individual

1. CHAVARRIA BARRE, Wilmer Geovanny (a.k.a. "Pipo"), Ecuador; DOB 15 May 1986; POB Ecuador; nationality Ecuador; Gender Male; Cedula No. 1205189911 (Ecuador) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059] (Linked To: LOS LOBOS DRUG TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION).

Designated pursuant to section 1(b)(ii) of Executive Order 14059 of December 15, 2021, "Imposing Sanctions on Foreign Persons Involved in the Global Illicit Drug Trade," 86 FR 71549 (December 17, 2021) (E.O. 14059) for being or having been a leader or official of Los Lobos Drug Trafficking Organization, a person sanctioned pursuant to E.O. 14059.

Entity

1. LOS LOBOS DRUG TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION (a.k.a. "LOS LOBOS"), Ecuador; Target Type Criminal Organization [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(i) of E.O. 14059 for having engaged in, or attempted to engage in, activities or transactions that have materially contributed to, or pose a significant risk of materially contributing to, the international proliferation of illicit drugs or their means of production.

Dated: June 6, 2024.

Bradley T. Smith,

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U.S. Department of the Treasury.*

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0166]

**Agency Information Collection
Activity: Applications for Ordinary Life
Insurance Age 65 & 70**

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 13, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be submitted through www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Program-Specific information: Nancy Kessinger, 202-632-8924, Nancy.Kessinger@va.gov.

VA PRA information: Maribel Aponte, 202-461-8900, vacopaperworkreduact@va.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each

collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Application for Ordinary Life Age 65 & 70, VA Form 29-8485 and VA Form 29-8485a.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0166. <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAsearch> (Once at this link, you can enter the OMB Control Number to find the historical versions of this Information Collection).

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: These forms are used by the policyholder to apply for replacement insurance for Modified Life Reduced at Age 65 and 70. The information is required by law, 38 U.S.C. 1904. The expiration date is being added to the forms.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,284 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15,400.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

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