the terms and conditions stated in the Proposed Decision and Order.

The petitioner further states that the nature of work at times will require that surveying services that would be covered by this petition be provided on short notice and, therefore, does not want the petitions to apply to specific companies or mines. The petitioner states that the list of companies and mines in this petition is not all-inclusive.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the existing standard.

Docket Number: M–2011–014–M.

Petitioner: St. Marys Cement, Inc. (U.S.), 16000 Bells Ray Road, P.O. Box 367, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720.

Mine: St. Marys Cement, Charlevoix Plant, MSHA I.D. No. 20–00038, 16000 Bells Ray Road, P.O. Box 367, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720.

Regulation Affected: 30 CFR 56.14101(a)(2) and (3) (Brakes).

Modification Request: The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard for self-propelled mobile equipment for its 1997 Tennant Sweeper, Model #830. The petitioner states that:

(1) The Tennant Sweeper is operated only on paved flat roads within the surface mine property.

(2) The sweeper primarily operates with use of a hydraulic system. When the foot is taken off the accelerator the sweeper stops.

(3) The back brakes are currently inoperable and the unit is so old that the parts are hard to obtain to fix the system.

(4) The sweeper has a functional front braking system capable of stopping and holding the vehicle with a full load on the steepest incline it travels.

(5) The sweeper is operated only on day shift, only travels on dry roads and dusty days when the roads are not wet or slippery, and is put up for the winter.

(6) The sweeper is not capable of traveling over 5 miles per hour. It is generally run between 3 and 5 miles per hour within the plant. The standard on brakes requires at least 10 miles per hour to test the brakes, and the sweeper cannot go that fast.

(7) The sweeper has a fully functional parking brake system capable of holding the machine with a full load on the steepest incline it travels.

(8) The unit is not being supported by Tennant, the manufacturer.

(9) Any spare parts that can be obtained will no longer be produced once they are used up.

(10) What is available to fix the unit has been ordered, and the unit is needed to comply with environmental regulations.

As an alternative, the petitioner proposes to rely on the hydraulic system, the front brake system, and the parking brake to stop and hold the equipment with its typical load on the maximum grade it travels.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee the miners no less than the same measure of protection as provided by the existing standard.

Dated: February 10, 2012.

Patricia W. Silvey,

Certifying Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register** at 76 FR 77854. NSF is forwarding the proposed renewal submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice. The full submission may be found at: *http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.*

Comments: Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; 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 should be addressed to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for National Science Foundation, 725 17th Street NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, and to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230 or send email to *splimpto@nsf.gov.* Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling 703–292–7556.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton at (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, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Grantee Reporting Requirements for the Engineering Research Centers (ERCs).

OMB Number: 3145–New.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to establish an information collection.

Abstract:

Proposed Project: The Engineering Research Centers (ERC) program supports an integrated, interdisciplinary research environment to advance fundamental engineering knowledge and engineered systems; educate a globally competitive and diverse engineering workforce from K–12 on; and join academe and industry in partnership to achieve these goals. ERCs conduct world-class research through partnerships of academic institutions, national laboratories, industrial organizations, and/or other public/private entities. New knowledge thus created is meaningfully linked to society.

ERCs conduct world-class research with an engineered systems perspective that integrates materials, devices, processes, components, control algorithms and/or other enabling elements to perform a well-defined function. These systems provide a unique academic research and education experience that involves integrative complexity and

technological realization. The complexity of the systems perspective includes the factors associated with its use in industry, society/environment, or the human body.

ERCs enable and foster excellent education, integrate research and education, speed knowledge/technology transfer through partnerships between academe and industry, and prepare a more competitive future workforce. ERCs capitalize on diversity through participation in center activities and demonstrate leadership in the involvement of groups underrepresented in science and engineering.

Centers will be required to submit annual reports on progress and plans, which will be used as a basis for performance review and determining the level of continued funding. To support this review and the management of a Center, ERCs will also be required to submit management and performance indicators annually to NSF via a data collection Web site that is managed by a technical assistance contractor. These indicators are both quantitative and descriptive and may include, for example, the characteristics of center personnel and students; sources of cash and in-kind support; expenditures by operational component; characteristics of industrial and/or other sector participation; research activities; education activities; knowledge transfer activities; patents, licenses; publications; degrees granted to students involved in Center activities; descriptions of significant advances and other outcomes of the ERC effort. Such reporting requirements will be included in the cooperative agreement which is binding between the academic institution and the NSF.

Each Center's annual report will address the following categories of activities: (1) Vision and impact, (2) strategic plan, (3) research program, (4) innovation ecosystem and industrial collaboration, (5) education, (6) infrastructure (leadership, management, facilities, diversity) and (7) budget issues.

For each of the categories the report will describe overall objectives for the year, progress toward center goals, problems the Center has encountered in making progress towards goals and how they were overcome, plans for the future and anticipated research and other barriers to overcome in the following year, and specific outputs and outcomes.

Use of the Information: The data collected will be used for NSF internal reports, historical data, performance review by peer site visit teams, program level studies and evaluations, and for securing future funding for continued ERC program maintenance and growth.

Estimate of Burden: 100 hours per center for 17 centers for a total of 1700 hours.

Respondents: Academic institutions.

Estimated Number of Responses per Report: One from each of the 17 ERCs.

Dated: February 10, 2012.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2012–0037]

WORKSHOP Sponsored by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Electric Power Research Institute on the Treatment of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Uncertainties: Public Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), in cooperation with the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), will hold a joint workshop on the Treatment of Probabilistic Risk Assessment (PRA) Uncertainties. Since 2002, RES and EPRI, under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Cooperative Nuclear Safety Research, have been developing state-of-the-art methods for conduct of PRA.

The purpose of the workshop is to bring together experts to gain a better understanding of the sources of uncertainty, how they manifest in the PRA, and their potential significance to the PRA model and results. More specifically, the workshop will address uncertainties associated with risk assessments for internal fires, seismic events, low power and shutdown (LPSD) conditions, and for the Level 2 portion of PRAs.

DATES: Wednesday, February 29, 2012 (8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.);

Thursday, March 1, 2012 (8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.)

ADDRESSES: The Legacy Hotel & Meeting Centre; 1775 Rockville Pike; Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Meeting Agenda: The agenda for this meeting can be accessed at *http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm.*

Because of limited available space, attendees are asked to pre-register (there is not a registration fee) as soon as possible. There will be the ability to call-in to the workshop. Please contact Matt Dennis, Sandia National Laboratories, at 505–284–0781, email: *mldenni@sandia.gov* to register and to obtain the call-in phone line number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary T. Drouin, Sr. Program Manager, Performance and Reliability Branch, Division of Risk Analysis, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Tel: 301–251–7574, Email: *Mary.Drouin@nrc.gov.*

Conduct of the Meeting

This meeting is a Category 3 meeting.* The public is invited to participate in this meeting by providing comments and asking questions throughout the meeting. Please note this workshop is being conducted in a classroom format; registration is required to ensure space availability.

The NRC provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this workshop, or need the workshop notice or agenda in another format (e.g., Braille, large print), please notify the NRC is meeting contact. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of February, 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Kevin A. Coyne,

Branch Chief, Probability Probabilistic Risk Assessment Branch, Division of Risk Analysis, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2010–0355]

USEC Inc. (American Centrifuge Lead Cascade Facility and American Centrifuge Plant); Direct Transfer of Licenses

In the Matter of USEC INC. (American Centrifuge Lead Cascade Facility and American Centrifuge Plant); Order EA–12–

* Meetings between the NRC technical staff and external stakeholders are open for interested members of the public, petitioners, interveners, or other parties to attend as observers pursuant to Commission policy statement, ''Enhancing Public Participation in NRC Meetings,'' (67 FR 36920; May 28, 2002).