

increased environmental impact as a result of handling the BPRAs separately as low-level waste. The alternative to the proposed action would be to deny approval of the exemption and, therefore, require Duke to disassemble and store the BPRAs as low-level waste in separate containers.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

On January 24, 2000, the Division of Radiation Control, South Carolina Department of Health, was contacted about the EA for the proposed action and had no concerns.

Finding of No Significant Impact

The environmental impacts of the proposed action have been reviewed in accordance with the requirements set forth in 10 CFR part 51. Based upon the foregoing EA, the Commission finds that the proposed action of granting an exemption from 10 CFR 72.212(a)(2) and 72.214 so that Duke may store spent nuclear fuel containing BPRAs in the NUHOMS®-24P storage system will not significantly impact the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed exemption.

For further details with respect to this exemption request, see the Duke exemption request dated August 30, 1999, which is docketed under 10 CFR part 72, Docket Nos. 72-4 and 72-40.

The exemption request is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20555.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of February 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

E. William Brach,

Director, Spent Fuel Project Office, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

General Electric Company; Vallecitos Nuclear Center; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will conduct a public meeting on various aspects of the Commission's responsibilities for the regulation of the General Electric (GE) Vallecitos Nuclear Center in Sunol, California. The facility is operated by

the General Electric Company, an NRC licensee. The objective of the meeting is to ensure that the public has knowledge about the activities that take place at Vallecitos, and understands the NRC's responsibilities in respect to these activities. The NRC staff will discuss these matters with the public, including answering questions and listening to public comments.

The meeting will be held the evening of Thursday, February 24, 2000, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The meeting will be preceded by an informal open house beginning at 6:00 p.m. to allow the public an opportunity to talk with the NRC staff and other organizations such as citizen groups, and state and local government officials.

The meeting will be held at the Pleasanton Public Library in Pleasanton, California. The library is located at 400 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, California, 94566. The Library's main phone number is 925-931-3400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Francis X. Cameron, Special Counsel for Public Liaison, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington D.C. 20555, Telephone: 301-415-1642, email: fxc@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The General Electric Company has been engaged since 1955 in various activities involving nuclear energy at the Vallecitos Nuclear Center located near Pleasanton, California. One of the ongoing activities is research and development on the physical and chemical analysis of irradiated reactor fuel at the facilities Radioactive Materials Laboratory. GE possesses a Special Nuclear Materials License from the NRC that authorizes them to perform this work. The work requires periodic shipments of irradiated nuclear fuel into the facility from various sites throughout the United States. The Vallecitos site also houses three permanently shutdown reactors, and an operating research reactor, licensed by the NRC. In addition, the facility also fabricates radioactive sources used in medicine and industry under a license issued by the State of California.

The NRC previously held a public meeting on the Vallecitos facility on October 20, 1999, in Livermore, California. In order to ensure that the public has the necessary information about the facility, and to provide sufficient time for public discussion of this information, the NRC has scheduled an additional public meeting on the Vallecitos facility for February 24, 2000. The NRC staff will address the issues previously covered at the October 20, 1999, meeting, and also provide

additional information on issues that were raised by the public at the October 20, 1999, meeting. A detailed agenda for the meeting will be available at the meeting. Anticipated topics are the research and development activities involving the NRC Special Nuclear Materials license at the facility, related radioactive materials transportation activities, the status of the permanently shutdown reactors and the operating research reactor at the facility, and related NRC inspection activities. Francis X. Cameron, Special Counsel for Public Liaison, at the NRC will serve as the facilitator for the meeting.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of February, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Theodore S. Sherr,

Chief, Licensing and International Safeguards Branch, Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on February 29, 2000, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Tuesday, February 29, 2000—8:30 a.m. until the conclusion of business

The Subcommittee will discuss proposed ACRS activities and related matters. It will also discuss matters scheduled for the ACRS meeting with the Commission on Thursday, March 2, 2000. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be

accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff person named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, the scheduling of sessions open to the public, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff person, Dr. John T. Larkins (telephone: 301/415-7360) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EST). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any changes in schedule, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: February 8, 2000.

Howard J. Larson,

Acting Associate Director for Technical Support, ACRS/ACNW.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Review of Information Collection: Instructions and Form 1417

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), Pub. L. this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for clearance of a revised information collection. OPM Form 1417, Combined Federal Campaign Annual Results Reporting Form, is used to collect information from the 387 local CFC's around the country to verify campaign results.

We estimate 387 OPM Form 1417's are completed annually. Each form takes approximately 60 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 387 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on 202/606-8358, or e-mail to mbtoomey@opm.gov. Comments on this proposal should be received within 10 calendar days from the date of this publication.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to: Jennifer M. Hirschmann, Office of CFC Operations, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 "E" Street, NW, Room 5450, Washington, DC 20415 And Joseph Lackey, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT: Jennifer Hirschmann, Combined Federal Campaign Operations, 202/606-2564.

Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension: Rule 22d-1, SEC File No. 270-275, OMB Control No. 3235-0310.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is publishing for public comment the following summary of previously approved information collection requirements in Rule 22d-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Investment Company Act").

Rule 22d-1 [17 CFR 270.22d-1] provides registered investment companies that issue redeemable securities ("funds") an exemption from section 22(d) of the Investment Company Act to the extent necessary to permit schedules variations in or elimination of the sales load on fund securities for particular classes of investors or transactions, provided certain conditions are met. The rule imposes an annual burden per fund of approximately 15 minutes, so that the total burden for the approximately 2,400 funds that might rely on the rule is estimated to be 600 hours.

The estimate of average burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, and is not

derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study.

Written comments are requested on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burdens of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your comments to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549.

Dated: February 7, 2000.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Extension: Rule 24b-1; SEC File No. 270-205; OMB Control No. 3235-0194]

Requests Under Review by Office of Management and Budget

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission Office of Filings and Information Services Washington, DC 20549.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collections of information discussed below.

Rule 24b-1 (17 CFR 240.24b-1) requires a national securities exchange to keep and make available for public inspection a copy of its registration statement and exhibits filed with the Commission, along with any amendments thereto.

There are eight national securities exchanges that spend approximately one half hour each complying with this rule, for an aggregate total compliance burden of four hours per year. The staff estimates that the average cost per