

Department that the plans have received litigation proceeds from the claims.

After the publication of the proposed exemptions in the **Federal Register**, the applicants informed the Department that they have decided not to pursue the proposed exemptions due to changed circumstances and requested the Department to withdraw their exemptions. Therefore, the Department is withdrawing the proposed exemptions from the **Federal Register** as requested.² As a result, the applicants may not receive repayments for any amounts they paid to their respective plans in connection with the plans' receipt of litigation proceeds from the claims, because such repayments would constitute a violation of certain prohibited transaction provisions of ERISA and the Code.

Signed in Washington, DC.

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Employee Benefits Security Administration,
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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Comment Request; National Science Foundation (NSF) Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)/Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Pre-Award Information Collection

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. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register**, and no comments were received. NSF is forwarding the proposed submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed

information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; 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, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including Federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: National Science Foundation (NSF) Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)/Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Pre-Award Information Collection.

OMB Control No.: 3145–New.

Abstract: The NSF SBIR/STTR programs focus on transforming scientific discovery into products and services with commercial potential and/or societal benefit. Unlike fundamental or basic research activities that focus on scientific and engineering discoveries, the NSF SBIR/STTR programs support the creation of opportunities to move fundamental science and engineering out of the lab and into the market at scale, through startups and small businesses representing deep technology ventures.

The NSF SBIR/STTR programs have two phases: Phase I and Phase II. Phase I is a 6–12 month experimental or theoretical investigation that allows the awardees to determine the scientific and technical feasibility, as well as the commercial merit of the idea or concept. Phase II further develops the proposed concept, with a goal of working toward the commercial launch of the new product, process, or service being developed.

The NSF SBIR/STTR programs request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of this clearance that will allow the programs to collect information from a selected group of applicants—those that have been reviewed by independent experts and that NSF Program Directors are considering recommending for funding—for the purpose of making a funding decision. This information includes, but is not exclusive to, a list of company officers and the corresponding ownership status of each

company officer within the startup, whether the startup is associated or affiliated with other companies, whether there exist any relationships (personal, financial, and/or professional) between project personnel, and the locations of all the facilities where significant research will be performed for the proposed project. Such data will enable the NSF Program Directors to evaluate a given company's business structure, ascertain the level of commitment of the Principal Investigator (PI) and co-PIs to the startup venture, and identify conflicts of interests (if any), as part of the due diligence process that the programs undertake to verify there are no fraudulent or inappropriate business practices prior to recommending the small business for an award.

Following standard OMB requirements, NSF will request OMB approval in advance and provide OMB with a copy of the form containing these questions. Data collected will be used strictly for due-diligence, auditing, and/or legal purposes, and are needed for effective pre-award management, administration, and/or program monitoring. The applicants, if being considered for award, will only be asked to submit a signed form containing their responses to the questions once for *each* NSF SBIR/STTR proposal (Phase I and II, if applicable). The data collection burden to the selected applicants will be limited to no more than 10 minutes of the respondents' time in each instance. Summaries of the collected data are also being used to respond to queries from Congress, the Small Business Administration, the public, NSF's external merit reviewers who serve as advisors, including Committees of Visitors, NSF's Office of the Inspector General, and other pertinent stakeholders.

Respondents: PIs listed on the NSF SBIR/STTR proposals.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 750.

Frequency: Once.

Average Time: 0.167 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 126 hours per year.

Comments: Comments regarding (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the NSF, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the NSF's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, use, and clarity of the information on respondents; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

² In withdrawing the proposed exemptions, the Department is not expressing an opinion regarding the merits of any claim against Allianz and Aon or whether the plans' fiduciaries met their fiduciary duties with respect to plan assets that are the subject of the claims. Further, in withdrawing the proposed exemptions, the Department is not limiting any party's claim, demand, and/or cause of action arising from the plans' 2020 first quarter losses in any way.

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 the points of contact in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Copies of the submission may be obtained by calling 703–292–7556. 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.

Dated: September 30, 2022.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,
Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 70–7019; NRC–2021–0182]

Oregon State University

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: License renewal; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has issued a renewal to special nuclear materials (SNM) License No. SNM–2013 to Oregon State University (OSU) in Corvallis, Oregon. The renewed license will authorize the applicant to continue research on research and test reactor fuel rods that contain greater than critical mass amounts of SNM. The license renewal would allow OSU to continue licensed activities for 10 years beyond its current license.

DATES: Renewed License No. SNM–2013 was issued on September 30, 2022, and is effective as of the date of issuance.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2021–0182 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2021–0182. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Stacy Schumann; telephone: 301–415–0624; email: Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov. For technical

questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. For the convenience of the reader, instructions about obtaining materials referenced in this document are provided in the “Availability of Documents” section.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents, by appointment, at the NRC's PDR, Room P1 B35, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jenny Tobin, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, telephone: 301–415–2328, email: Jennifer.Tobin@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Oregon State University (OSU) is a public land-grant research university in Corvallis, Oregon. The OSU School of Engineering is under contract to the Department of Energy (DOE) to conduct non-destructive testing research on research reactor fuel from five different research reactors in the United States. The quantity of SNM involved in this project requires an NRC-issued SNM license pursuant to part 70 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), “Domestic licensing of special nuclear material.”

II. Discussion

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.106, the NRC is providing notice of the renewal of License SNM–2013 to OSU, which authorizes OSU to complete research involving SNM for DOE at its location in Corvallis, Oregon. OSU submitted its renewal application on July 29, 2021, and submitted a correction on July 31, 2021. An NRC administrative completeness review, dated September 15, 2021, found the application

acceptable for a technical review. After reviewing the OSU SNM renewal application, the NRC sent a request for additional information (RAI) dated October 29, 2021, to OSU regarding their renewal application. On January 5, 2022, OSU responded to the RAI. OSU subsequently supplemented its license renewal application by letter dated April 19, 2022, requesting an exemption from the criticality alarm requirement in 10 CFR 70.24.

Because the licensed material will be used for research and development purposes, renewal of License SNM–2013, is an action that is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(c)(14)(v).

The NRC previously published a notice of OSU's request for a materials license renewal with a notice of opportunity to request a hearing in the **Federal Register** on October 1, 2021 (86 FR 54485). No requests for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene were received.

During the technical review, the NRC reviewed the application in areas that included, but were not limited to, radiation safety, chemical safety, fire safety, security, environmental protection, and material control/accountability. Prior to approving the request to renew License SNM–2013, NRC reviewed the application to determine whether it met the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the NRC's regulations in 10 CFR part 70. The NRC's review and findings are documented in a safety evaluation report. In the report, the NRC concluded that the licensee can continue to operate the facility without endangering the health and safety of the public.

The NRC finds that the license complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the NRC's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR chapter 1. Accordingly, this license was issued on September 30, 2022, and was effective immediately.

III. Availability of Documents

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's “Rules of Practice,” the details with respect to this action, including the safety evaluation report and accompanying documentation and license, are available electronically in the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access ADAMS, which provides text and image files of the NRC's public documents. For further details related to