

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 70-27]

Summary of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for Exemption to Licensed Physician Requirements for BWX Technologies, Inc., Lynchburg, VA

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed action.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuing an exemption to BWX Technologies, Inc. (BWXT), the holder of NRC special nuclear materials License SNM-42. The proposed action would exempt BWXT from certain requirements set forth in 10 CFR 73.46(b) and Part 73 Appendix B. The exemptions would authorize the licensee to allow medical examinations to be given by licensed nurse practitioners authorized to practice medicine by the Commonwealth of Virginia. The exemptions would allow such nurses, in addition to licensed physicians, to give medical examinations that are required prior to allowing personnel to participate in physical fitness tests. The exemptions would be to requirements stated in 10 CFR 73.46(b)(10)(iii) and (iv); 73.46(b)(11)(iii) and (v); 73.46(b)(12)(ii); and Part 73 Appendix B paragraphs I.B.1.b, I.B.2.b, and I.C.

In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 51 the NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this action. Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact is appropriate. If approved, the exemption would be issued following the publication of this Notice.

II. EA Summary

As stated above, the staff has prepared an EA in support of the proposed action. The EA contains sensitive information and is not publicly available. The NRC

staff has concluded that issuing the proposed exemptions will not result in a significant impact to the environment. The NRC staff concluded that the proposed action will not adversely affect federally listed species or federally designated critical habitat because no federally listed species are known to occur in the project area. The NRC staff found that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed action.

The proposed action does not have a potential to affect the probability or consequences of accidents; the types or amounts of effluents; nor occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the EA, the NRC has concluded that there are no significant environmental impacts from the proposed action, and has determined that the preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required.

IV. Further Information

Documents related to this action can be accessed on the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) that provides electronic copies of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession number for the **Federal Register** notice related to this action is: Notice of License Amendment Request of BWX Technologies, Inc., Lynchburg, VA (ML063050294). If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 27th day of November 2006.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Summary: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public

comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and Purpose of Information Collection

Application and Claim for Sickness Insurance Benefits; OMB 3220-0039

Under Section 2 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA), sickness benefits are payable to qualified railroad employees who are unable to work because of illness or injury. In addition, sickness benefits are payable to qualified female employees if they are unable to work, or if working would be injurious, because of pregnancy, miscarriage or childbirth. Under Section 1(k) of the RUIA, a statement of sickness with respect to days of sickness of an employee is to be filed with the RRB within a 10-day period from the first day claimed as a day of sickness. The RRB's authority for requesting supplemental medical information is Section 12(i) and 12(n) of the RUIA. The procedures for claiming sickness benefits and for the RRB to obtain supplemental medical information needed to determine a claimant's eligibility for such benefits are prescribed in 20 CFR Part 335.

The forms currently used by the RRB to obtain information needed to determine eligibility for and the amount of sickness benefits due a claimant follows: Form SI-1a, Application for Sickness Benefits; Form SI-1b, Statement of Sickness; Form SI-3, Claim for Sickness Benefits; Form SI-7, Supplemental Doctor's Statement; Form SI-8, Verification of Medical Information; Form ID-7h, Non-Entitlement to Sickness Benefits and Information on Unemployment Benefits; Form ID-11a, Requesting Reason for Late Filing of Sickness Benefit and ID-11b, Notice of Insufficient Medical and Late Filing. Completion is required to obtain or retain benefits. One response is requested of each respondent.