

*Title:* NASA Acquisition Process—Reports Required On Contracts Valued at Less Than \$500K.

*OMB Number:* 2700-0088.

*Type of review:* Extension.

*Need and Uses:* Information is used by NASA procurement and technical personnel in the management of contracts. Collection is prescribed in the NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement and approved mission statements.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,282.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 30.

*Annual Responses:* 38,460.

*Hours Per Request:* 27 1/2 hrs.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,065,600.

*Frequency of Report:* On occasion.

**David B. Nelson,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Administrator.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[01-146]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of agency report forms under OMB review.

**SUMMARY:** The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This information collection is required to ensure proper accounting of Federal funds and property provided under cooperative agreements with commercial firms.

**DATES:** All comments should be submitted within 60 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should be addressed to Mr. Paul Brundage, Code HK, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Nancy Kaplan, NASA Reports Officer, (202) 358-1372.

*Title:* Cooperative Agreements with Commercial Firms.

*OMB Number:* 2700-0092.

*Type of review:* Extension.

*Need and Uses:* Reporting and recordkeeping are prescribed under 14 CFR Part 1274. Information collected ensures the accountability of public funds and proper maintenance of an appropriate internal control system.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 107.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 6.

*Annual Responses:* 658.

*Hours Per Request:* 7.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 4,592.

*Frequency of Report:* On occasion.

**David B. Nelson,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Administrator.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Reinstate, With Changes, an Information Collection

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request clearance of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting that OMB approve clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

Comments are invited on (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; 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.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by January 18, 2002, to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR

**COMMENTS:** Contact Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 292-7557 or send e-mail to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this task order is to: (1) Identify the types of interactions that take place between ERCs and their industrial sponsors; (2) benefits deriving from them; (3) the differential outcomes and benefits to industry emanating from (a) specific ERC components, e.g., fundamental research, emerging technology, engineered systems, and the integration of research and education, and (b) their respective outputs; and (4) how ERCs work with start-up companies that seek assistance from the centers and with firms that are spin-offs from ERC technology.

*Title of Collection:* Impact of Industry-Engineering Research Center (ERC) Interaction and Effectiveness of ERC-Trained Industrially Employed Engineers.

*OMB Number:* 3145-0152.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* Not applicable.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to reinstate, with change, an information collection for three years.

*Abstract:* "Impact on Industry of Interactions with Engineering Research Centers (ERCs)—Repeat Study".

*Proposed Project:* NSF's Directorate for Engineering established the Engineering Research Center (ERC) Program in 1985 to address concerns of industry regarding declining US industrial competitiveness. The mission of the Program as defined by the National Academy of Engineering was to strengthen competitiveness by bringing new approaches and goals to academic engineering research and education, and by forging vital new links between universities and industry. The proposed study repeats one conducted when the Program was 10 years old, which studied the outcomes and impacts of ERC involvement upon firms involved with first generation centers. The repeat study would involve firms formally participating with the eight second-generation centers, which were initiated from FY 1994-96. Data will be collected from the representatives to the ERCs of these firms. Data will NOT be used to evaluate individual centers, but, rather, to study the Program's on-going as a whole.

*Use of the Information:* The resulting information will be used to identify program-wide patterns of outcomes and

impacts on organizations that are members of ERCs. Results will be used for continuous program performance improvement and external reporting, e.g., for the Government Performance and Results Act.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response.

*Respondents:* Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Form:* 400.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 200 hours.

*Frequency of Responses:* One time.

Dated: November 13, 2001.

**Suzanne H. Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-254 and 50-265]

### Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-29 and DPR-30, issued to Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Exelon, the licensee), for operation of the Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Rock County, Illinois.

The proposed amendment would allow an increase in the licensed power level from 2511 megawatts thermal (MWt) to 2957 MWt. This change represents an increase of approximately 17.8 percent above the current licensed thermal power at Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2, and is considered an extended power uprate. The proposed amendment would also change the operating licenses and the technical specifications appended to the operating licenses to provide for implementing uprated power operation.

The original amendment request, dated December 27, 2000, was submitted by Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd). ComEd was subsequently merged into Exelon Generation Company, LLC. By letter dated February 7, 2001, Exelon informed the NRC that it assumed responsibility for all pending NRC actions that were requested by ComEd. The original application was supplemented by letters dated February 12, April 6 and 13, May 3, 18, and 29,

June 5, 7, and 15, July 6 and 23, August 7, 8, 9, 13 (two letters), 14 (two letters), 29, and 31 (two letters), September 5 (two letters), 14, 19, 25, 26, and 27 (two letters), and November 2, 2001 (two letters).

Before issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

By December 19, 2001, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendment to the subject facility operating license, and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written request for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene. Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR part 2. Interested persons should consult a current copy of 10 CFR 2.714, which is available at the Commission's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland or electronically on the Internet at the NRC Web site <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/CFR/index.html>. If there are problems in accessing the document, contact the Public Document Room Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov). If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition; and the Secretary or the designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR 2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition must specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) The nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceedings; and (3) the possible effect of any order that may be entered in proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition must also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject

matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend the petition without requesting leave of the Board up to 15 days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specifically requirements described above.

Not later than 15 days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene that must include a list of the contentions that the petitioner seeks to have litigated in the hearing. Each contention must consist of a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted. In addition, the petitioner shall provide a brief explanation of the bases of each contention and a concise statement of the alleged facts or expert opinion that support the contention and on which the petitioner intends to rely in providing the contention at the hearing. The petitioner must also provide references to those specific sources and documents of which the petitioner is aware and on which the petitioner intends to rely to establish those facts or expert opinion. The petitioner must provide sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the amendment under consideration. The contention must be one that, if proven, would entitle the petitioner to relief. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement that satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing, including the opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses.

A request for a hearing and petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, by the above date. A copy of the request for a hearing and the petition should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory