

ATTACHMENT 1—GENERAL TARGET SCHEDULE FOR PROCESSING AND RESOLVING REQUESTS FOR ACCESS TO SENSITIVE UNCLASSIFIED NON-SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION IN THIS PROCEEDING—Continued

Day	Event/activity
20 .....	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff informs the requestor of the staff's determination whether the request for access provides a reasonable basis to believe standing can be established and shows need for SUNSI. (NRC staff also informs any party to the proceeding whose interest independent of the proceeding would be harmed by the release of the information.) If NRC staff makes the finding of need for SUNSI and likelihood of standing, NRC staff begins document processing (preparation of redactions or review of redacted documents).
25 .....	If NRC staff finds no "need" or no likelihood of standing, the deadline for requestor/petitioner to file a motion seeking a ruling to reverse the NRC staff's denial of access; NRC staff files copy of access determination with the presiding officer (or Chief Administrative Judge or other designated officer, as appropriate). If NRC staff finds "need" for SUNSI, the deadline for any party to the proceeding whose interest independent of the proceeding would be harmed by the release of the information to file a motion seeking a ruling to reverse the NRC staff's grant of access.
30 .....	Deadline for NRC staff reply to motions to reverse NRC staff determination(s).
40 .....	(Receipt +30) If NRC staff finds standing and need for SUNSI, deadline for NRC staff to complete information processing and file motion for Protective Order and draft Non-Disclosure Affidavit. Deadline for applicant/licensee to file Non-Disclosure Agreement for SUNSI.
A .....	If access granted: Issuance of presiding officer or other designated officer decision on motion for protective order for access to sensitive information (including schedule for providing access and submission of contentions) or decision reversing a final adverse determination by the NRC staff.
A + 3 .....	Deadline for filing executed Non-Disclosure Affidavits. Access provided to SUNSI consistent with decision issuing the protective order.
A + 23 .....	Deadline for submission of contentions whose development depends upon access to SUNSI.
A + 48 .....	(Contention receipt +25) Answers to contentions whose development depends upon access to SUNSI.
A + 55 .....	(Answer receipt +7) Petitioner/Intervenor reply to answers.
>A + 55 .....	Decision on contention admission.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[NRC-2016-0023]

**Information Collection: Access Authorization**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of submission to the Office of Management and Budget; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted a request for renewal of an existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The information collection is entitled, "Access Authorization."

**DATES:** Submit comments by October 24, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments directly to the OMB reviewer at: Vlad Dorjets, Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0046), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503; telephone: 202-395-7315, email: *oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Cullison, NRC Clearance Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone:

301-415-2084; email: *INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@nrc.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments**

*A. Obtaining Information*

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2016-0023 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2016-0023. A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by accessing Docket ID NRC-2016-0023 on this Web site.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then 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*. The supporting statement is available in ADAMS under Accession ML16172A106.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One

White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

- *NRC's Clearance Officer:* A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by contacting the NRC's Clearance Officer, David Cullison, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2084; email: *INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@nrc.gov*.

*B. Submitting Comments*

Please include Docket ID NRC-2016-0023 in your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at <http://www.regulations.gov> as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

## II. Background

Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the NRC recently submitted a request for renewal of an existing collection of information to OMB for review entitled, "Access Authorization." The NRC hereby informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The NRC published a **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on March 23, 2016 (81 FR 15574).

1. *The title of the information collection:* Part 25 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, "Access Authorization."

2. *OMB approval number:* 3150-0046.

3. *Type of submission:* Extension.

4. *The form number if applicable:* N/A.

5. *How often the collection is required or requested:* On occasion.

6. *Who will be required or asked to respond:* NRC-regulated facilities and other organizations requiring access to NRC-classified information.

7. *The estimated number of annual responses:* 330.

8. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 78.

9. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to comply with the information collection requirement or request:* 158.

10. *Abstract:* NRC-regulated facilities and other organizations are required to provide information and maintain records to ensure that an adequate level of protection is provided to NRC-classified information and material.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 20th day of September, 2016.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**David Cullison,**

*NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2012-0271]

### Geologic Trench Excavations for Paleoliquefaction Study at Dyer County, Tennessee Site

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) to evaluate the potential environmental impacts that may arise as a result of excavating trenches to observe geologic features for a paleoliquefaction research project at a site located in Dyer County, Tennessee. The NRC has concluded that a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) is appropriate.

**DATES:** The EA and FONSI referenced in this document are available September 23, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2012-0271 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- Federal Rulemaking Web site: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2012-0271. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@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 <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then 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](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that a document is referenced. The EA and the associated FONSI are publicly available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML16257A012.

- *PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sarah Tabatabai, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2382; email: [Sarah.Tabatabai@nrc.gov](mailto:Sarah.Tabatabai@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Introduction

The NRC is performing a paleoliquefaction research project at a site in Dyer County, which is located in northwestern Tennessee, to characterize past earthquakes in the central and eastern United States. Paleoliquefaction is a term describing specific geologic features attributed to seismic events that occurred before ground-motion measurements were taken or before detailed records were kept. Paleoliquefaction studies facilitate preparing and planning for future earthquakes by determining when past earthquakes occurred, along with their frequency and size. Liquefaction is the transformation of saturated granular material from a solid to a liquefied state as a result of increased pore-water pressure; thus, it leaves evidence behind in the geologic record. Typically the liquefied soil manifests as sand in the form of sand dikes (when the liquefied sand intrudes existing cracks or fissures) or sand blows (when the liquefied sand erupts and spills over). The results from this research will be used to update models implemented in probabilistic seismic hazard analyses to characterize ground motion at new nuclear power plant sites in accordance with section 100.23(d)(1) of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR). The results of this research may also implemented to re-evaluate seismic hazards at existing nuclear power plant sites.

The research project will entail the excavation of four trenches by a backhoe at the project site. Each trench will measure about 3 feet wide (*i.e.*, the width of a backhoe bucket), 5 feet deep, and range in length from 33 to 82 feet long. The proposed trenches are intentionally sited to enable the study of earthquake-induced liquefaction features. The excavation of the four trenches will be conducted by an NRC contractor. The estimated study time during which the trenches will remain in existence is approximately 2 weeks. The trenches will be backfilled at the conclusion of this study.

The NRC has prepared an EA to evaluate the potential environmental impacts that may arise as a result of this research project in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR part 51, of the NRC's regulations that implement Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended. Based on the EA, and in accordance with 10 CFR 51.31(a), the NRC has concluded that a FONSI is appropriate. Geologic trenching this project will commence following publication of this Notice.