

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Occupational Safety and Health Administration****Proposed Collection; Comment Request****ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection request for the Ionizing Radiation Standard 29 CFR 1910.1096. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the employee listed below in the addresses section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before June 16, 1997. The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection technique or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Comments are to be submitted to the Docket Office, Docket

No. ICR 97-8, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 219-7894. Written comments limited to 10 pages or less in length may also be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 219-5046.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Adrian Corsey, Directorate of Health Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3718, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 219-7075. Copies of the referenced information collection request are available for inspection and copying in the Docket Office and will be mailed immediately to persons who request copies by telephoning Vivian Allen at (202) 219-8076. For electronic copies of the Ionizing Radiation Information Collection Request contact OSHA's WebPage on the Internet at <http://www.osha.gov/> under Standards.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

The Ionizing Radiation Standard and its information collection is designed to provide protection for employees from the adverse health effects associated with occupational exposure to ionizing radiation. The Assistant Secretary of Labor and to the exposed employee, maintain records of radiation exposure of all employees, furnish reports of exposure to employees at his/her request, provide employees with a copy of standard and operating procedures.

II. Current Actions

This notice requests an extension of the current OMB approval of the paperwork requirements in the Ionizing Radiation Standard. Extension is necessary to provide continued protection to employees from the health hazards associated with occupational exposure to ionizing radiation.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Ionizing Radiation.

OMB Number: 1218-0103.

Agency Number: Docket Number ICR 97-8.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit, Federal and State government, Local or Tribal governments.

Total Respondents: 15,859.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Total Responses: 258,745.

Average Time per Response: Time per response ranges from 5 minutes to 10 minutes to collect and mail badges.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 42,491.

Estimated Capital, Operation/Maintenance Burden Cost: \$17,508,336.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 4, 1997.

Adam M. Finkel,

Director, Directorate of Health Standards Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC has recently submitted to OMB for review the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). 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.

1. *Type of submission, new, revision, or extension:* Revision.

2. *The title of the information collection:* 10 CFR Part 60—Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Wastes in Geologic Repositories.

3. *The form number if applicable:* Not applicable.

4. *How often the collection is required:* The information need only be submitted one time.

5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* States or Indian Tribes, or their representatives, requesting consultation with the NRC staff regarding review of a potential high-level waste geologic repository site, or wishing to participate in a license application review for a potential geologic repository.

6. *An estimate of the number of responses:* 6.

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents: 2.*

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* An average of 40 hours per response for consultation requests, 80 hours per response for license application review participation proposals, and one hour per response for statements of representative authority. The total burden for all responses is estimated to be 242 hours.

9. *An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies:* Not applicable.

10. *Abstract:* 10 CFR Part 60 requires States and Indian Tribes to submit certain information to the NRC if they request consultation with the NRC staff concerning the review of a potential repository site, or wish to participate in a license application review for a potential repository. Representatives of States or Indian Tribes must submit a statement of their authority to act in such a representative capacity. The information submitted by the States and Indian Tribes is used by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards as a basis for decisions about the commitment of NRC staff resources to the consultation and participation efforts.

A copy of the submittal may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW. (Lower Level), Washington, DC. Members of the public who are in the Washington, DC, area can access the submittal via modem on the Public Document Room Bulletin Board (NRC's Advance Copy Document Library) NRC subsystem at FedWorld, 703-321-3339. Members of the public who are located outside of the Washington, DC, area can dial FedWorld, 1-800-303-9672, or use the FedWorld Internet address:

fedworld.gov (Telnet). The document will be available on the bulletin board for 30 days after the signature date of this notice. If assistance is needed in accessing the document, please contact the FedWorld help desk at 703-487-4608. Additional assistance in locating the document is available from the NRC Public Document Room, nationally at 1-800-397-4209, or within the Washington, DC, area at 202-634-3273.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer by May 15, 1997: Edward Michlovich, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0127), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3084.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo. Shelton, (301) 415-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 7th day of April 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Gerald F. Cranford,

Designated Senior Official for Information Resources Management.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-440]

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company; and Ohio Edison Company, et al.; Notice of Consideration of Approval of Application Regarding Corporate Restructuring

Notice is hereby given that the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering approval by issuance of an order under 10 CFR 50.80 of an application concerning the proposed merger between Centerior Energy Corporation (the parent corporation for The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI), Toledo Edison Company, and Centerior Service Company (CSC); licensees for Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit No. 1) and Ohio Edison Company (Perry licensee). Ohio Edison Company is also the parent company for OES Nuclear, Inc., and Pennsylvania Power Company, which are also licensees for Perry. Perry is a nuclear-powered generating facility that is owned and operated in accordance with Facility Operating License No. NPF-58.

By letter dated December 13, 1996, CEI and CSC, on behalf of themselves and Toledo Edison Company, Ohio Edison Company, OES Nuclear Inc., and Pennsylvania Power Company, informed the Commission of, and are seeking consent regarding, a proposed merger of Centerior Energy Corporation and Ohio Edison Company resulting in the formation of a new single holding company, FirstEnergy Corp. Duquesne Light Company, which is also a licensed owner of the Perry plant, is not involved in the merger. Under the proposed merger, CEI, CSC, Toledo Edison Company, and Ohio Edison Company will become wholly-owned subsidiaries of FirstEnergy Corp. Pennsylvania Power Company and OES Nuclear, Inc., will remain wholly-owned subsidiaries of Ohio Edison Company. The current licensees will continue to hold the license, and no direct transfer of the license will result from the merger.

According to the application, the merger will have no adverse effect on either the technical management or

operation of the Perry plant. The technical management and nuclear organization of the plant operators, CEI and CSC, will continue to remain responsible for plant operation and maintenance after the merger.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80, the Commission may approve the transfer of control of a license after notice to interested persons. Such approval is contingent upon the Commission's determination that the holder of the license following the transfer is qualified to hold the license and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders of the Commission.

For further details with respect to this proposed action, see the application from CEI and CSC dated December 13, 1996, and the supplemental letter dated February 14, 1997, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20555, and at the local public document room located at the Perry Public Library, 3753 Main Street, Perry, Ohio 44081.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of April 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Jon B. Hopkins,

Senior Project Manager, Project Directorate III-3, Division of Reactor Projects III/IV, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270 50-287, 50-413, 50-414, 50-369 and 50-370]

Duke Power Company, et al.; (Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3), (Catawba Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2), and (McGuire Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2)

Exemption

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Duke Power Company, et al. (DPC or the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-38, DPR-47 and DPR-55 for the Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3; License Nos. NPF-35 and NPF-52 for the Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2; and License Nos. NPF-9 and NPF-17 for the McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2. The licenses provide, among other things, that the licensee is subject to all rules, regulations, and orders of the Commission in effect now and hereafter.