

organization(s) hired for each of these assessments. These notifications shall be made within seven days of the date of this Order, and include the audit plan. Each assessment shall be completed within 60 days of the date of this Order. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Mallinckrodt shall ensure that the individual(s) or organization(s) conducting each assessment submit to Mallinckrodt and NRC Region III, at the same time, the results of each assessment, including the deficiencies identified.

Mallinckrodt shall evaluate the root causes and develop corrective actions associated with any identified findings and submit to NRC Region III the schedules to implement those corrective actions. Mallinckrodt shall provide to NRC Region III the radiation protection program assessment corrective actions within 150 days of the date of this Order. Mallinckrodt shall provide to NRC Region III the corrective actions to the radiation safety assessment of the radioactive materials manufacturing processes within 180 days of the date of this Order. Should Mallinckrodt disagree with any assessment finding or plan not to initiate any corrective action arising from the assessments, Mallinckrodt must provide a written explanation of the rationale for such disagreement to NRC Region III within the respective 150-day or 180-day period.

B. Mallinckrodt shall provide to NRC Region III, a written statement that all applicable Mallinckrodt workers have been trained and that Mallinckrodt has assessed the effectiveness of the training to ensure workers understand the procedures and practices in place to maintain radiation exposures as-low-as-is-reasonably-achievable. This written assurance shall be submitted to NRC Region III within 15 days of the date of this Order.

C. Mallinckrodt shall develop a plan to review past operations to determine if any individuals could have received radiation exposures in excess of the applicable NRC limits in 10 CFR Part 20. This review shall encompass activities for a period of five years prior to the date of this Order. Mallinckrodt shall provide NRC Region III the plan and implementing schedule within 90 days of the date of this Order. The provisions of this Order do not relieve Mallinckrodt from complying with the reporting requirements in 10 CFR Part 20 should an exposure in excess of regulatory limits be identified during the review.

D. Mallinckrodt shall request an amendment to its license incorporating a program that will identify and correct

deficiencies associated with radiation safety. This program shall include, as a minimum, provisions for: (1) Worker identification of radiation related safety issues; (2) prompt notification to management of significant issues; (3) root cause analysis, including associated training for all managers, supervisors, and radiation protection staff involved with performing and reviewing root cause evaluations; and (4) tracking of identified deficiencies. This amendment request shall be submitted to NRC Region III within 180 days of the date of this Order.

The Regional Administrator, Region III, may relax or rescind, in writing, any of the above conditions upon a showing by Mallinckrodt of good cause.

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Any person adversely affected by this Confirmatory Order, other than Mallinckrodt, may request a hearing within 20 days of its issuance. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the time to request a hearing. A request for extension of time must be made in writing to the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and include a statement of good cause for the extension. Any request for a hearing shall be submitted to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, Washington, DC 20555. Copies also shall be sent to the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, to the Assistant General Counsel for Materials Litigation and Enforcement at the same address, to the Regional Administrator, NRC Region III, 801 Warrenville Road, Lisle, Illinois, and to Mallinckrodt. If such a person requests a hearing, that person shall set forth with particularity the manner in which his interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address the criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.714(d).

If a hearing is requested by a person whose interest is adversely affected, the Commission will issue an Order designating the time and place of any hearing. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing shall be whether this Confirmatory Order should be sustained.

In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in Section IV above shall be final 20 days from the date of this Order without further order or proceedings. If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the

provisions specified in Section IV shall be final when the extension expires if a hearing request has not been received. An answer or a request for hearing shall not stay the immediate effectiveness of this order.

Dated this 22nd day of June, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

R.W. Borchardt,

Director, Office of Enforcement.

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NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

Board Meeting: August 1-2, 2000—Carson City, NV: Discussions of a Total System Performance Assessment for a Potential Yucca Mountain, Nevada, Repository for Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste; Update on Scientific and Engineering Studies Undertaken at the Yucca Mountain Site; and Update on the DOE's Development of a Safety Strategy for a Potential Yucca Mountain Repository

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100-203, Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987, on Tuesday, August 1, Wednesday, August 2, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (Board) will meet in Carson City, Nevada, to discuss technical and scientific issues related to evaluating a possible site for a repository for spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. Among the issues that will be discussed are a total system performance assessment (TSPA), a safety strategy for the potential repository, and scientific and engineering studies being conducted to evaluate the suitability of the Yucca Mountain site. The Board is charged by Congress with reviewing the technical and scientific aspects of the Department of Energy's (DOE) civilian radioactive waste management program, including disposing of, packaging, and transporting the waste.

The Board meeting will be held at Pinon Plaza Resort (Best Western), 2171 Hwy 50 East; Carson City, NV 89701. The telephone number is (775) 885-9000; the fax number is (775)-888-8018. The meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. on both days and will be open to the public.

On Tuesday, August 1, the DOE's Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management will present a general overview of the status of the program. The overview will be followed by

presentations by representatives of the State of Nevada, including comments on studies conducted by the state related to materials proposed for use in the waste package. The DOE will present updates on ongoing scientific and engineering studies at the Yucca Mountain site, including results of testing in the exploratory tunnels, isotope studies, and estimating volcanic hazard. In the afternoon, discussions will begin on the TSPA that is used by the DOE to estimate potential repository performance. In particular, the DOE will make presentations on TSPA results, their uncertainties, and the individual components that make up the TSPA. Critical assumptions underlying the models used to estimate the performance of a potential repository also will be discussed.

The presentations on the TSPA will resume on Wednesday, August 2, and will continue until midafternoon, when the DOE will update the Board on the development of the DOE's safety strategy for a potential Yucca Mountain repository, including principal factors affecting repository performance, defense-in-depth, natural analogs, and the vulnerabilities, uses, and limitations of the safety case.

Several opportunities for public comment will be provided: before the lunch break and at the end of the day on August 1 and at the end of the session on August 2. Those wanting to speak are encouraged to sign the "Public Comment Register" at the check-in table. A time limit may have to be set on individual remarks, but written comments of any length may be submitted for the record. Interested parties also will have the opportunity to submit questions in writing to the Board. As time permits, the questions will be answered during the meeting.

A detailed agenda will be available approximately one week before the meeting. Copies of the agenda can be requested by telephone or obtained from the Board's Web site at www.nwtrb.gov. Transcripts of the meeting will be available on the Board's Web site, via e-mail, on computer disk, and on a library-loan basis in paper format from Davonya Barnes of the Board staff, beginning on September 4, 2000.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Pinon Plaza Resort. Reservations must be made by July 10 to receive the meeting rate. When making a reservation, please state that you are attending the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board meeting. For more information, contact the NWTRB, Karyn Severson, External Affairs, 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 1300; Arlington, VA 22201-3367; (tel) 703-

235-4473; (fax) 703-235-4495; (e-mail) info@nwtrb.gov.

The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board was created by Congress in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987. The Board's purpose is to evaluate the technical and scientific validity of activities undertaken by the Secretary of Energy related to managing the disposal of the nation's spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste. In the same legislation, Congress directed the DOE to characterize a site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, to determine its suitability as the location of a potential repository for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

Dated: June 26, 2000.

William D. Barnard,

Executive Director, Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Open Season Express Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of a revised information collection. The FEHB Open Season Express IVR System collects the following information from annuitants and survivors: Retirement Claim Number (CSA or CSF), Personal Identification Number (PIN), FEHB plan code for requesting plan brochures, FEHB plan code for making an enrollment change, and dependent information for self and family enrollments. Annuitants and survivors may request a copy of the FEHB Customer Satisfaction Survey results, cancel or suspend FEHB benefits, request payment directly to OPM where FEHB payment is greater than the monthly annuity amount, or request a change of address through the IVR system.

Comments are particularly invited on: whether this information is necessary for the proper performance of functions

of OPM, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Approximately 75,000 requests will be completed annually. Each request takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 12,525 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, or E-mail to mbtoomey@opm.gov

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before September 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—James K. Friert, Chief, Retirement Services Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management 1900 E Street, NW, Room 1312, Washington, DC 20415.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION—CONTACT: Donna G. Lease, Team Leader, Forms Analysis and Design, Budget and Administrative Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,
Director.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee; Open Committee Meetings

According to the provisions of section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given that meetings of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee will be held on—Thursday, July 6, 2000; Thursday, July 20, 2000; Thursday, August 3, 2000; Thursday, August 17, 2000.

The meeting will start at 10 a.m. and will be held in Room 5A06A, Office of Personnel Management Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee is composed of a Chair, five representatives from labor unions holding exclusive bargaining rights for Federal blue-collar employees, and five representatives from Federal agencies. Entitlement to membership on the