

public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff engineer named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

During the initial portion of the meeting, the Subcommittee, along with any of its consultants who may be present, may exchange preliminary views regarding matters to be considered during the balance of the meeting.

The Subcommittee will then hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, the NRC staff, their consultants, and other interested persons regarding this review.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been cancelled or rescheduled, the scheduling of sessions which are open to the public, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff engineer, Mr. Paul A. Boehnert (telephone 301/415-8065) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EDT). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes to the agenda, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: September 9, 1997.

Sam Duraiswamy,

Chief, Nuclear Reactors Branch.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Week of September 15.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of September 15

Wednesday, September 17

9:00 a.m.—Briefing by DOE on Plutonium Disposition Strategy and Program (Public Meeting) (Contact: Ted Sherr, 301-415-7218)

Friday, September 19

10:00 a.m.—Briefing by DOE and NRC on Regulatory Oversight of DOE Nuclear Facilities (Public Meeting)

(Contact: John Austin, 301-415-7275)
11:30 a.m.—Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed)

1:30 p.m.—Briefing on Improvements in Senior Management Assessment Process for Operating Reactors (Public Meeting) (Contact: Bill Borchardt, 301-415-1257)

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* The Schedule for Commission Meetings is Subject to Change on Short Notice. To Verify the Status of Meetings Call (Recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact Person for More Information: Bill Hill, (301) 415-1661.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at:

<http://www.nrc.gov//SECY/smj/schedule.htm>

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In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to wmh@nrc.gov or dkw@nrc.gov.

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Dated: September 10, 1997.

William M. Hill, Jr.,

Secretary, Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Draft Regulatory Guide; Issuance, Availability

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued for public comment a draft of a guide planned for its Regulatory Guide Series. This series has been developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the Commission's regulations, techniques used by the staff in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data needed by the staff in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The draft guide, temporarily identified by its task number, DG-1060 (which should be mentioned in all correspondence concerning this draft guide), is titled "Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Standards for Decommissioning Cost Accounting." The guide is intended for Division 1, "Power Reactors." This draft guide is being developed to propose NRC's endorsement of the Financial Accounting Standards Board draft standard No. 158-B, "Accounting for Certain Liabilities Related to Closure or Removal of Long-Lived Assets." (Copies may be obtained from FASB, 401 Merritt 7, P.O. Box 5116, Norwalk, CT 06856-5116.)

This Draft Regulatory Guide DG-1060 is being issued in anticipation of rulemaking regarding the funding for decommissioning power reactors. An advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) was published on April 8, 1996 (61 FR 15427). After consideration of the responses, the staff believes it is likely that the proposed rule will include a periodic reporting requirement. Issuance of a final regulatory guide is dependent upon issuance of a final rule that includes a provision for a reporting requirement. In the interest of efficiency and utility, the staff is proposing to endorse this draft FASB standard to facilitate licensees' plans for decommissioning.

The draft guide has not received complete staff review and does not represent an official NRC staff position.

Public comments are being solicited on Draft Regulatory Guide DG-1060. Comments may be accompanied by additional relevant information or supporting data. Written comments may be submitted to the Rules and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Copies of comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street NW., Washington, DC. Comments will be most helpful if received by November 24, 1997.

Although a time limit is given for comments on this draft guide, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

You may also provide comments via the NRC's interactive rulemaking website through the NRC home page (<http://www.nrc.gov>). This site provides the availability to upload comments as files (any format), if your web browser supports that function. For information about the interactive rulemaking

website, contact Ms. Carol Gallagher, (301) 415-5905; e-mail CAG@nrc.gov.

Regulatory guides are available for inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 2120 L Street NW., Washington, DC. Requests for single copies of draft or final guides (which may be reproduced) or for placement on an automatic distribution list for single copies of future draft guides in specific divisions should be made in writing to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Printing, Graphics and Distribution Branch; or by fax at (301) 415-5272. Telephone requests cannot be accommodated. Regulatory guides are not copyrighted, and Commission approval is not required to reproduce them.

(5 U.S.C. 552(a))

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

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Joseph A. Murphy,

Director, Division of Regulatory Applications, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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PEACE CORPS

Information Collection Requests Under OMB Review

ACTION: Notice of public use form review request to the Office of Management and Budget.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1981 (44 U.S.C., Chapter 35), the Peace Corps is requesting emergency approval and clearance from the Office of Management and Budget for the Immigrants & Refugees Questionnaire to be used by the Office of Domestic Programs. A copy of the information collection may be obtained from Rosyln Docktor, Office of Domestic Programs, Peace Corps, 1990 K St., NW, Washington, DC 20526. Ms. Docktor may be called at (202) 606-3779. Peace Corps invites comments on whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the Peace Corps, including whether the information will have practical use; 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; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and, ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including

through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Comments on this form should be addressed to Victoria Becker Wassmer, Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503.

INFORMATION COLLECTION ABSTRACT:

Title: Program to Assist Immigrants & Refugees Questionnaire.

Need for and use of the Information: This form is completed voluntarily by Returned Peace Corps Volunteers. This information will be used by Domestic Programs to identify individuals interested in assisting immigrant and refugee groups throughout the country. Enrollment in this program also fulfills the third goal of Peace Corps as required by Congressional legislation and to enhance the Office of Domestic Programs global education programs.

Respondents: Returned Peace Corps Volunteers.

Respondents obligation to reply: Voluntary.

Burden on the Public:

- a. Annual reporting burden: 434 hrs.
- b. Annual record keeping burden: 0 hrs.
- c. Estimated average burden per response: 10 min.
- d. Frequency of response: one time.
- e. Estimated number of likely respondents: 2600.
- f. Estimated cost to respondents: \$3.35.

This notice is issued in Washington, DC on September 9, 1997.

Stanley D. Suyat,

Associate Director for Management.

Certified to be a true copy of the original document.

Brian Sutherland,

Certifying Officer.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Interest Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These

rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or are derivable from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's home page (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).

DATES: The interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in September 1997. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in October 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024 (202-326-4179 for TTY and TDD).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. The rate is the "applicable percentage" (described in the statute and the regulation) of the annual yield on 30-year Treasury securities for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid (the "premium payment year"). The yield figure is reported in Federal Reserve Statistical Releases G.13 and H.15.

For plan years beginning before July 1, 1997, the applicable percentage of the 30-year Treasury yield was 80 percent. The Retirement Protection Act of 1994 (RPA) amended ERISA section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) to provide that the applicable percentage is 85 percent for plan years beginning on or after July 1, 1997, through (at least) plan years beginning before January 1, 2000.

However, under section 774(c) of the RPA, the application of the amendment is deferred for certain regulated public utility (RPU) plans for as long as six months. The applicable percentage for RPU plans will therefore remain 80 percent for plan years beginning before January 1, 1998. (The rules governing the applicable percentages for "partial" RPU plans are described in § 4006.5(g) of the premium rates regulation.)

For plans for which the applicable percentage is 85 percent, the assumed interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium