

Therefore, OMB approval has been requested by March 16, 1999. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. ALL comments and/or questions pertaining to this pending request for emergency approval MUST be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Mr. Stuart Shapiro, 202-395-7316, Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Comments regarding the emergency submission of this information collection may also be submitted via facsimile to Mr. Shapiro at 202-395-6974.

During the first 60 days of this same period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. During the regular review period, the INS requests written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning this information collection. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until May 17, 1999. During 60-day regular review, ALL comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, to include obtaining a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan, 202-514-3291, Director, Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 5307, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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 techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* New collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in an Employment Eligibility Confirmation Pilot Program.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* No Agency Form Number. SAVE Program, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Business or other for-profit. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) enables the INS to collect employer information from each site that will be performing queries. The MOU also provides specific terms and conditions governing the pilot.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 4,000 responses at 1.5 hours per response; 300,000 queries at 1 minute (.016 hours) per response; 105,250 secondary queries at 5 minutes (.083 hours) per response; and 10,500 tertiary queries at 15 minutes (.25 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 22,161 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: March 12, 1999.

Richard A. Sloan,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY [CFDA No. 84.257I]

Literacy Leader Fellowship Program

AGENCY: National Institute for Literacy.

ACTION: Notice inviting applications for the Literacy Leader Fellowship Program.

Purpose of Program: The Literacy Leader Fellowship Program is designed to provide Federal financial assistance to adult learners and to individuals pursuing careers in adult education or literacy in the areas of instruction, research, or innovation. Under the program, literacy workers and adult learners are applicants for fellowships.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: Applications must be

received at the National Institute for Literacy no later than 5:00 p.m. May 14, 1999.

Available Funds: \$125,000.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$30,000–\$50,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$37,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 3–4.

Note: The National Institute for Literacy is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Projects will be not less than three and no more than 12 months of full or part-time activity. Projects will begin no earlier than September 1999, and end no later than September 2000.

Applicable Regulations: The regulations governing the National Institute for Literacy's Literacy Leader Fellowship Program as published in the June 25, 1997 issue of the **Federal Register**. The regulations are also available on-line at <http://www.nifl.gov/activities/fllwhome.htm>.

While the Institute's administered by an Interagency agreement with the U.S. Department of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services, the specific policies and procedures of these agencies regarding rulemaking and administration of grants are not adopted by the Institute except as expressly stated in this Notice and in the regulations.

Transmittal of Applications: An original and seven (7) copies of applications for award must be received by the Institute on or before the deadline date of May 14, 1999.

Application delivered by mail: Applications sent by mail must be addressed to National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006, Attention: (CFDA#84.257I).

An applicant is encouraged to use registered, certified, or first-class mail.

Late applicants will be notified that their applications will not be considered, and their applications will be returned.

Applications delivered by Hand: Applications that are hand-delivered must be taken to the National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC.

The Institute will accept hand-delivered applications between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Washington, DC time) daily, except Saturdays, Sundays and Federal holidays. Applications that are hand-delivered will not be accepted by the Institute after 5:00 p.m. on the due date.

Acknowledgment of Applications: The Institute will mail an Applicant Receipt Acknowledgment to each applicant within 15 days from the due

date. If an applicant fails to receive the application acknowledgment, call the National Institute for Literacy at (202) 632-1525.

The applicant must indicate on the outside of the envelope the CFDA number of the competition under which the application is being submitted.

Application Forms: Applicants are required to submit the following forms, assurances and certifications:

- (a) Application Information and Budget Summary (NIFL Form No. 001)
- (b) Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (Standard Form 424B).
- (c) Certification Regarding Lobbying: Debarment, Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80-0013).
- (d) Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form LLL) (if applicable); and
- (e) Certification of Eligibility for Federal Assistance in Certain Programs (ED 80-0016)

The NIFL form, assurances, and certifications must each have an original signature. No award can be made unless these forms are submitted.

Prescribed Format: (a) Applicants will also be required to submit a proposal narrative. The narrative should be no more than 8 pages in length.

(b) The narrative format should meet the following criteria:

- (i) The application should be double spaced.
- (ii) The application should use 12 point font.
- (iii) The application should have one inch margins on all four sides.

(c) Applicants should also submit a resume, budget narrative, and four letters of recommendation.

Prescribed Order: Applicants should arrange their application submission in the following order:

- i. NIFL Form 001
- ii. Budget Narrative
- iii. Application Narrative
- iv. Resume
- v. Letters of Recommendation
- vi. Standard Form 424B
- vii. ED 80-0013
- viii. Standard Form LLL (if applicable)
- ix. ED 80-0016

Priorities: (a) The Director invites applications for Literacy Leader Fellowships that meet the following priorities for 1999.

(b) The priorities for 1999 are major areas of concern in the literacy field that are currently being addressed in the Institute's work.

(c) An application may be awarded up to 5 bonus points for addressing a priority or priorities, depending on how well the application meets the priority or priorities.

(d) The publication of these priorities does not bind the Institute to fund only applications addressing priorities. The Director is especially interested in fellowship applications that address one or more of the priorities, but not to the exclusion of other significant issues that may be proposed by applicants.

(e) The priorities selected from the regulations for 1999 are as follows:

(1) *Developing Leadership in Adult Learners.* Because Adult learners are the true experts on literacy, they are an important resource for the field. Their firsthand experience as "customers" of the literacy system can be invaluable in assisting the field in moving forward, particularly in terms of raising public awareness and understanding about literacy. Projects that enhance best practices or the adult learner network will be given priority consideration.

(2) *Expanding the Use of Technology in Literacy Programs.* One of the NIFL's major projects is the Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS), an Internet based information system that provides timely information and abundant resources to the literacy community. Keeping the literacy community up to date in the information age is vital. Projects that improve or increase use of technology will be given priority consideration.

(3) *Improving Accountability for Literacy Programs.* Legislation that has passed both houses of the U.S. Congress emphasizes that literacy programs must develop accountability systems that demonstrate their effectiveness in helping adult learners contribute more fully in the workplace, family and community. Projects that focus on results-oriented literacy practice, especially as related to the Equipped for the Future (EFF) framework, are a priority.

(4) *Raising Public Awareness about Literacy.* The LIFL is leading a national effort to raise public awareness that literacy is part of the solution to many social concerns, including the well-being of children, health, welfare and the economy. Projects that enhance this effort will be given priority consideration.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: National Educational Goal 6, which is included in the Goals 2000: Educate America Act, puts forward an ambitious agenda for adult literacy and lifelong learning in America. To further this goal, the Congress passed Public Law 102-73, the National Literacy Act of 1991, which is the first piece of national legislation to focus exclusively on literacy. The overall intent of the Act, as stated, is:

To enhance the literacy and basic skills of adults, to ensure that all adults in the United States acquire the basic skills necessary to function effectively and achieve the greatest possible opportunity in their work and in their lives and to strengthen and coordinate adult literacy programs.

In designing the Act, among the primary concerns shared by the Congress and literacy stakeholders was the fragmentation and lack of coordination among the many efforts in the field. To address these concerns, the Act created the National Institute for Literacy to:

(A) provide a national focal point for research, technical assistance, and research dissemination, policy analysis and program evaluation in the area of literacy; and

(B) facilitate a pooling of ideas and expertise across fragmented programs and research efforts.

Among the Institute's authorized activities is the awarding of fellowships to outstanding individuals who are pursuing careers in adult education or literacy in the areas of instruction, management, research, or innovation. These fellowships are to be awarded for activities that advance the field of adult education and literacy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive an application or for further information, contact Julie Gedden, National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: 202-632-1515, Fax: 202-632-1512. E-mail: jgedden@nifl.gov. Information about the Literacy Leader Fellowship program is also available on-line (including many of the required forms) at <http://www.nifl.gov/activities/flwhome.htm>

Instructions for Estimated Public Reporting Burden

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 3430-0003, Expiration Date 6/30/2000. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 20 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and disseminating the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: the National Institute for Literacy, 800

Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 200,
Washington, DC 20006.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1213c.

Dated: March 12, 1999.

Andrew J. Hartman,

Executive Director, NIFL.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to
submit an information collection
request to OMB and solicitation of
public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a
submittal to OMB for review of
continued approval of information
collections under the provisions of the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44
U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the
requirement to be submitted:

1. The title of the information
collection:

10 CFR Part 74—Material Control and
Accounting of Special Nuclear Material
NUREG 1065, Rev. 2—Acceptable
Standard Format and Content for the
Fundamental Nuclear Material Control
(FNMC) Plan Required for Low
Enriched Uranium Facilities

NUREG/CR 5734—Recommendations
to the NRC on Acceptable Standard
Format and Content for the
Fundamental Nuclear Material Control
(FNMC) Plan Required for Low-
Enriched Uranium Enrichment
Facilities

NUREG 1280, Rev. 1—Standard
Format and Content Acceptance Criteria
for the Material Control and Accounting
(MC&A) Reform Amendment

2. Current OMB approval number:
3150-0123.

3. How often the collection is
required: Submission of the
fundamental nuclear material control
plan is a one-time requirement which
has been completed by all current
licensees. Specified inventory and
material status reports are required
annually or semiannually. Other reports
are submitted as events occur.

4. Who is required or asked to report:
Persons licensed under 10 CFR Parts 70
or 72 who possess and use certain forms
and quantities of special nuclear
material.

5. The number of annual responses:
24

6. The number of hours needed
annually to complete the requirement or
request: The total number of hours
needed annually to complete the
reporting and recordkeeping
requirements is 5,323 (223 hours for
reporting and 5,100 hours for
recordkeeping).

7. Abstract: 10 CFR Part 74 establishes
requirements for material control and
accounting of special nuclear material,
and specific performance-based
regulations for licensees authorized to
possess and use strategic special nuclear
material, or to possess and use, or
produce, special nuclear material of low
strategic significance. The information
is used by the NRC to make licensing
and regulatory determinations
concerning material control and
accounting of special nuclear material
and to satisfy obligations of the United
States to the International Atomic
Energy Agency (IAEA). Submission or
retention of the information is
mandatory for persons subject to the
requirements.

Submit, by May 17, 1999, comments
that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of
information necessary for the NRC to
properly perform its functions? Does the
information have practical utility?

2. Is the burden estimate accurate?

3. Is there a way to enhance the
quality, utility, and clarity of the
information to be collected?

4. How can the burden of the
information collection be minimized,
including the use of automated
collection techniques or other forms of
information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting
statement may be viewed free of charge
at the NRC Public Document Room,
2120 L Street, NW (lower level),
Washington, DC. OMB clearance
requests are available at the NRC
worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NEWS/OMB/index.html>). The document will be
available on the NRC home page site for
60 days after the signature date of this
notice.

Comments and questions about the
information collection requirements
may be directed to the NRC Clearance
Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear
Regulatory Commission, T-6 F33,
Washington, DC, 20555-0001, or by
telephone at 301-415-7233, or by
Internet electronic mail at
BJS1@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day
of March, 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

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

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323]

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2); Issuance of Director's Decision Under 2.206

Notice is hereby given that the
director, Office of Nuclear Reactor
Regulation has issued a director's
decision with regard to a petition dated
November 24, 1998, filed by Mr. David
Lochbaum on behalf of the Union of
Concerned Scientists, hereafter referred
to as the "petitioner." The petition
pertains to the Diablo Canyon Nuclear
Power Plant (DCNPP), Units 1 and 2.

The petition requests that the
Commission modify the operating
licenses for Diablo Canyon Nuclear
Power Plant to require the plant's
owners to have an independent
contractor evaluate the facility's safety
culture. The petition also requests that
the independent contractor monitor the
safety culture until the United States
Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)
concurs that a safety conscious work
environment has been established and
maintained. The petition also requests
an informal hearing to examine the
concerns raised by the petition.

The director of the Office of Nuclear
Reactor Regulation has determined that
the request should be denied for the
reasons stated in the "Director's
Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206" (DD-99-
05), the complete text of which follows
this notice and which is available for
public inspection at the Commission's
Public Document Room, Gelman
Building, 2120 L Street, NW.,
Washington, DC 20555-0001, and at the
local Public Document Room located at
2 California Polytechnic State
University, Robert E. Kennedy Library,
Government Documents and Maps
Department, San Luis Obispo, California
93407.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day
of March, 1999.