

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Geosciences, Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Advisory Committee for Geosciences (1755).

Dates: October 4-6, 2006.

Time: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, October 4 and 5, 2006. 9 a.m.-12 noon. Friday, October 6, 2006.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 375, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Thomas Spence, Directorate for Geosciences, National Science Foundation, Suite 705, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230, Phone 703-292-8500.

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice, recommendations, and oversight concerning support for research, education, and human resources development in the geosciences.

Agenda:

Day 1: Directorate Activities; Subcommittee Meetings.

Day 2: Subcommittee Meeting and Reports; Directorate Activities.

Day 3: Plans and Activities.

Dated: September 5, 2006.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: 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:* Extension.

2. *The title of the information collection:* NRC Form 531 "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number".

3. *The form number if applicable:* NRC Form 531.

4. *How often the collection is required:* One time from each applicant or individual to enable the Department of the Treasury to process electronic payments or collect debts owed to the Government.

5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* All individuals doing business with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, including contractors and recipients of credit, licenses, permits, and benefits.

6. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 300.

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 300.

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 25 hours (5 minutes per respondent).

9. *An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies:* N/A.

10. *Abstract:* The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 requires that agencies collect taxpayer identification numbers (TINs) from individuals who do business with the Government, including contractors and recipients of credit, licenses, permits, and benefits. The TIN will be used to process all electronic payments (refunds) made to licensees by electronic funds transfer by the Department of the Treasury. The Department of the Treasury will use the TIN to determine whether the refund can be used to administratively offset any delinquent debts reported to the Treasury by other government agencies. In addition, the TIN will be used to collect and report to the Department of the Treasury any delinquent indebtedness arising out of the licensee's or applicant's relationship with the NRC.

A copy of the final supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F21, Rockville, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/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 should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by October 11, 2006. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date.

John A. Asalone, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0188), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be e-mailed to John_A._Asalone@omb.eop.gov or submitted by telephone at (202) 395-4650.

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

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of September, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-346]

Firstenergy Nuclear Operating Company and Firstenergy Nuclear Generation Corp.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) has granted the request of FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company and FirstEnergy Nuclear Generation Corp. (the licensee) to withdraw its July 27, 2005, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-3 for the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, Unit 1, located in Ottawa County.

The proposed amendment would have revised Technical Specification (TS) 3/4.8.1.1, "A.C. Sources—Operating," to adopt a more recent standard for diesel fuel oil testing, and allow TS Surveillance Requirements (SRs) 4.8.1.1.2.d.1 and 4.8.1.1.2.d.3 to be performed on-line.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on September 27, 2005 (70 FR 56501). However, by letter dated August 9, 2006, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated July 27, 2005, and the licensee's letters dated May 30 and August 9, 2006, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available

records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737 or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of September 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Stephen J. Campbell,

Project Manager, Plant Licensing Branch III-2, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension:

Rule 27e-1 and Form N-27E-1; SEC File No. 270-486; OMB Control No. 3235-0545.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Section 27(e) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") (15 U.S.C. 80a-27(e)) provides that a registered investment company issuing a periodic payment plan certificate, or any depositor or underwriter for such company, must notify in writing "each certificate holder who has missed three payments or more, within thirty days following the expiration of fifteen months after the issuance of the certificate, or, if any such holder has missed one payment or more after such period of fifteen months but prior to the expiration of eighteen months after the issuance of the certificate, at any time prior to the expiration of such eighteen month period, of his right to surrender his certificate * * * and inform the certificate holder of (A) the value of the

holder's account * * *, and (B) the amount to which he is entitled * * *."

Section 27(e) authorizes the Commission to "make rules specifying the method, form, and contents of the notice required by this subsection." Rule 27e-1 (17 CFR 270.27e-1) under the Act, entitled "Requirements for Notice to Be Mailed to Certain Purchasers of Periodic Payment Plan Certificates Sold Subject to Section 27(d) of the Act," provides instructions for the delivery of the notice required by section 27(e).

Rule 27e-1(f) prescribes Form N-27E-1 (17 CFR 274.127e-1), which sets forth the language the issuing registered investment company or its depositor or underwriter must use "to inform certificate holders of their right to surrender their certificates pursuant to Section 27(d)." The instructions to the form require that a notice containing the language on the form be sent to certificate holders on the sender's letterhead. The issuer is not required to file with the Commission a copy of the Form N-27E-1 notice.

The Form N-27E-1 notice to certificate holders who have missed certain payments is intended to encourage certificate holders, in light of the potential for further missed payments, to weigh the anticipated costs and benefits associated with continuing to hold their certificates. The disclosure assists certificate holders in making careful and fully informed decisions about whether to continue investing in periodic payment plan certificates.

The frequency with which each of these issuers or their representatives must file the Form N-27E-1 notice varies with the number of periodic payment plans sold and the number of certificate holders who miss payments. The staff spoke with representatives of a number of firms in the industry that currently have periodic payment plan accounts. Based upon these conversations, the staff estimates that 3 respondents send out an aggregate of approximately 5054 notices per year through completely automated processes. The staff further estimates that all the issuers that send Form N-27E-1 notices use outside contractors to print and distribute the notice, and incur no hourly burden. The estimate of annual burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, and is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

Complying with the collection of information requirements of rule 27e-1 is mandatory for issuers of periodic payment plans or their depositors or

underwriters in the event holders of plan certificates miss certain payments within eighteen months after issuance. The information provided pursuant to rule 27e-1 will be provided to third parties and, therefore, will not be kept confidential. The Commission is seeking OMB approval, because an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

General comments regarding the above information should be directed to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or by e-mail to: David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312, or by e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days after this notice.

Dated: September 1, 2006.

Nancy M. Morris,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; International Securities Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of a Proposed Rule Change Relating To Doing Business With the Public

September 1, 2006.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 31, 2006, the International Securities Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or the "ISE") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which items have been prepared by the ISE. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons and is

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 240.19b-4.