

Public Law 104-169, dated August 3, 1996, the members of the Subcommittee will discuss issues related to its research agenda, including the casino questionnaire.

**Contact Persons:** For further information on the agenda, meeting location or other matters contact Doug Seay at (202) 523-8217 or write to 800 North Capitol St., N.W., Suite 450, Washington, D.C. 20002.

**Supplementary Information:** Written comments can be sent to the Commission at any time at 800 North Capitol St., N.W., Suite 450, Washington, D.C. 20002. Visit the Commission's Website at [www.ngisc.gov](http://www.ngisc.gov).

**Tim Bidwill,**

*Special Assistant to the Chairman.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of permit applications received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, P.L. 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to these permit applications by November 18, 1998. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 306-1030.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-541), has developed regulations that implement the "Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora" for all United States citizens. The Agreed Measures, developed by the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties, recommended establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain

animals and certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Specially Protected Areas and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

The applications received are as follows:

Permit Application No. 99-013

1. **Applicant:** Jerry L. Mullins, Mail Stop 521, U.S. Geological Survey, Reston, Virginia 20192.

**Activity for Which Permit is Requested:** Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The applicant proposes to enter Cape Bird (ASPA #116), Cape Royds (ASPA #121) and Cape Crozier (ASPA #124). A GPS surveying team from the U.S. Geological Survey needs to establish geographical coordinates and elevations for pre-selected photo-identifiable points to meet national mapping accuracy standards for 1:25,000-scale image maps of these three sites.

**Location:** ASP #116—Cape Bird, Ross Island, ASPA #121—Cape Royds, Ross Island, and ASPA 124—Cape Crozier, Ross Island.

**Dates:** December 15, 1998–January 31, 2000.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Documents Containing Reporting or Recordkeeping Requirements: Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review

**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).

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

2. *The title of the information collection:* Changes, Tests and Experiments, and Updating of Final Safety Analysis Reports (10 CFR Parts 50, 52 and 72).

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

4. *How often the collection is required:* Information is required to be

collected when changes, tests or experiments are made by the licensee; reporting of these changes is required either on an annual basis (Part 72 facilities and nonpower reactors), or every two years (power reactors). Updating the final safety analysis report (FSAR) is required on an annual basis for independent spent fuel storage installations (ISFSIs), with up to two years for power reactor facilities (updating not required for nonpower reactors).

5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* Reports are to be submitted by licensees of production or utilization facilities licensed under 10 CFR Part 50 and by licensees and certificate holders for ISFSIs and spent fuel storage casks, pursuant to 10 CFR Part 72.

6. *An estimate of the annual number of responses:* Responses are required on a periodic basis from licensees or certificate holders. Summary reports of changes, and submittal of FSAR update pages are required; some of these submittals are required on an annual basis, and some are on a two year cycle. In addition, an application for amendment of a cask certificate by a certificate holder is expected to be submitted from about half of the holders per year. The annual number of responses thus is estimated as 253 reports.

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* The total number of respondents under Part 50 is 178 reactor licensees. In addition, there are 18 respondents subject to Part 72. Since some of the reporting for power reactors is on a two-year cycle, the annual number of respondents is estimated as 153 respondents.

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* The total number of hours annually is estimated at 479,789 hours (an increase of 66,099 hours)—133,160 hours (an increase of 4,380) for reporting; 293,560 hours (an increase of 8,650) for recordkeeping. This total estimate also includes an annualized one-time burden of 53,069 hours for implementation of the revisions to the rule through procedures and training of personnel. The hours needed depend upon the number and complexity of changes that a licensee chooses to make. The hours needed for a power reactor respondent are estimated to be significantly greater than those for a spent fuel storage cask certificate holder or ISFSI licensee.

9. *An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Public Law 104-13 applies:* Applicable.

10. *Abstract:* The NRC is proposing to revise requirements pertaining to

changes, tests, and experiments, and for updating of final safety analysis reports. The purpose of the rulemaking is to clarify requirements and to allow more flexibility for certain changes that a licensee could make without receiving prior NRC approval. The NRC estimates that these rule changes will have only a minor impact upon the existing reporting and recordkeeping requirements in these sections of NRC regulations. There will be a one-time burden for revision of procedures and training.

Submit, by November 20, 1998, 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 submittal may be reviewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NE (lower level), Washington DC. The proposed rule indicated in the "title of the information collection" is or has been published in the **Federal Register** within several days of the publication date of this **Federal Register** notice. Instructions for accessing the electronic OMB clearance package for the rulemaking have been appended to the electronic rulemaking. Members of the public may access the electronic OMB clearance package by following the directions for electronic access provided in the preamble to the titled rulemaking.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer by November 20, 1998: Erik Godwin, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0011 and 3150-0132), 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, 301-414-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of October, 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Brenda Jo Shelton,**

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

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Consumer Product Licensing Requirements

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to remind all importers and distributors of consumer products containing radioactive material regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of NRC licensing requirements governing the distribution of these products to unlicensed persons (persons exempt from licensing).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anthony Kirkwood, Mail Stop TWFN 8-F-5, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Specific licensing requirements exist if you are the initial importer or distributor of a consumer product containing NRC regulated byproduct material, such as, watches illuminated by tritium paint or gas or neutron-irradiated gemstones. You must first obtain a possession and use license satisfying the general requirements of 10 CFR 30.33 or Agreement State equivalent. Therefore, you must apply for and obtain a specific license authorizing possession and use of byproduct material from the NRC regional office or applicable Agreement State, whoever has jurisdiction in your State. Clarifications in the jurisdictional control for your State may be obtained by contacting the NRC contact identified earlier in this notice. The information needed to apply for this license may be obtained from the NRC regional office for your area or from the state government as applicable. In addition, in order to initially distribute or transfer consumer products containing byproduct material to persons exempt from licensing, you must also apply for and obtain an exempt distribution license from NRC satisfying the requirements of 10 CFR 32. The product information to be submitted for a NRC distribution license is outlined in NUREG-1556, Vol. 8, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Exempt Distribution Licenses," dated September 1998, and may be obtained by writing to the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, P. O. Box 37082, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. Copies are also available from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal

Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161. A copy of the document is also available for inspection and/or copying for a fee in the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW. (Lower Level), Washington, D.C. 20555-0001.

Importers and initial distributors of consumer products containing radioactive material regulated by NRC, such as watches and gemstones, found without the proper licensure, are subject to enforcement action by NRC and state regulatory authorities. NRC enforcement action may include imposition of monetary penalties, referral to a Federal District Court to obtain an injunction and seizure of the radioactive products, or referral to the Department of Justice for potential criminal prosecution. Recently, the NRC took significant enforcement action against two watch importers and distributors for violations of NRC requirements involving the possession, use, and initial distribution of watches containing NRC-licensed material without having NRC licenses authorizing such activities. In one action, the company was issued a \$26,400 civil penalty.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 9th day of October, 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Frederick C. Combs,**

*Acting Director, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Announcement of Workshops on Draft Guidance on Radiological Criteria for License Termination

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Announcement of workshop.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the schedule for a series of workshops on the draft guidance, the website address and structure, and staff plans to hold additional technical meetings and telephone conferences, as needed, to discuss emerging issues and to prepare for the workshops. The date, time, location, and agendas for the workshops and meetings will be announced on the NRC web site.

#### Background

On July 8, 1998, the Commission approved the publication of the draft guidance for the final rule on Radiological Criteria for License Termination (License Termination Rule,