

regarding special features or conditions which might contribute to prices beyond standard expectations are also included in the survey.

Use of the Information: Analysis of the Facilities survey data will provide updated information on the status of scientific and engineering research facilities. The survey will provide comparable data from which trends can be observed. The information can be used by Federal policy makers, planners, and budget analysts in making policy decisions, as well as by academic officials, the scientific/engineering establishment, and state agencies that fund universities. The Follow-Up Survey data are expected to be used to make more exact and, as a result, more valid judgements concerning the reasonableness of facility costs.

Burden on the Public: The Facilities survey will be sent by mail to approximately 475 academic institutions and 100 nonprofit research organizations and hospitals. The completion time per academic institution is expected to average 24 hours and the completion time per research organization/hospitals is expected to average 5 hours. Assuming a 90% response rate, this would result in an estimated burden of 10,260 hours for academic institutions and 450 hours for nonprofit research organizations/hospitals.

The screener to the Follow-Up Survey will be sent by e-mail to approximately 70 institutions. The completion time per academic institution is expected to average 30 minutes. Assuming a 90% response rate, the estimated burden would be 32 hours for academic institutions.

The Follow-Up Survey will be sent by mail to the qualifying institutions of which there is expected to be approximately 42. The completion time per academic institution is expected to average 1.5 hours. Assuming a 90% response rate, the estimated burden would be 57 hours for academic institutions.

Dated: April 19, 1999.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-289]

GPU Nuclear, Inc., et al.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of GPU Nuclear, Inc., et al., (the licensee) to withdraw its November 25, 1998, application as supplemented by letter dated February 12, 1999, for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-50 for the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1, located in Dauphin County, Pa.

The proposed amendment would have, in part, extended the Technical Specification (TS) reporting interval in TS 4.19.5 from 90 days to 12 months.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on December 16, 1998 (63 FR 69342). However, by letter dated February 12, 1999, the licensee withdrew the proposed change request.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated November 25, 1998, as supplemented February 12, 1999, which withdrew that portion of the application for license amendment. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Law/Government Publications Section, State Library of Pennsylvania, Walnut Street and Commonwealth Avenue, P.O. Box 1601, Harrisburg, PA 17105.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13th day of April 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Timothy G. Colburn,

Senior Project Manager, Section 2, Project Directorate I, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 109th meeting on May 11-13, 1999, Room T-

2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The schedule for this meeting is as follows:

Tuesday, May 11, 1999—1:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday, May 12, 1999—8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, May 13, 1999—8:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.

The following topics will be discussed:

A. *ACNW Planning and Procedures*—The Committee will hear a briefing from its staff on issues to be covered during this meeting. The Committee will also consider topics proposed for future consideration by the full Committee and Working Groups. The Committee will discuss ACNW-related activities of individual members.

B. *Risk Communications*—The Committee will begin to prepare for an October Working Group meeting on this topic with a number of lead-in presentations. These will include discussions with representatives from other government agencies, private industry, and the National Academy of Sciences, as well as professional risk communication experts. Risk communication initiatives underway within the NRC will also be discussed.

C. *Yucca Mountain Review Plan*—The NRC staff will discuss the strategy for converting the Issue Resolution Status Reports for the proposed high-level waste repository at Yucca Mountain into a review plan for the repository license application.

D. *Preparation of ACNW Reports*—The Committee will discuss planned reports on the following topics: biological effects of low levels of ionizing radiation, a White Paper on Repository Design Issues at Yucca Mountain and other topics discussed during this and previous meetings as the need arises.

E. *Meeting with NRC's Executive Director for Operations (EDO)*—The Committee will meet with the EDO to discuss items of mutual interest.

F. *Miscellaneous*—The Committee will discuss miscellaneous matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and organizational activities and complete discussion of matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on September 29, 1998 (63 FR 51967). In accordance with these procedures, oral

or written statements may be presented by members of the public, electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Associate Director for Technical Support, ACNW, Dr. Richard P. Savio, as far in advance as practicable so that appropriate arrangements can be made to schedule the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting will be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the ACNW Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for taking pictures may be obtained by contacting the Associate Director for Technical Support, ACNW, prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACNW meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should notify Dr. Savio as to their particular needs.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting Dr. Richard P. Savio, Associate Director for Technical Support, ACNW (Telephone 301/415-7363), between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. EDT.

ACNW meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available for downloading or reviewing on the internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW>.

Videoteleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACNW meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACNW meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACNW Audiovisual Technician (301-415-8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. EDT at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service. Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment facilities that they use to establish the videoteleconferencing link. The availability of videoteleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: April 16, 1999.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL(S):

- (1) *Collection title:* Statement Regarding Contributions and Support.
- (2) *Form(s) submitted:* G-134.
- (3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0099.
- (4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* 6/30/1999.
- (5) *Type of request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.
- (6) *Respondents:* Individuals or households.
- (7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 100.
- (8) *Total annual responses:* 100.
- (9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 129.
- (10) *Collection description:*

Dependency on the employee for one-half support at the time of the employee's death can be a condition affecting eligibility for a survivor annuity provided for under section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act. One-half support is also a condition which may negate the public service pension offset in Tier I for a spouse or widow(er).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS: Copies of the form and supporting documents can be obtained from Chuck Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer (312-751-3363). Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60611-2092 and the OMB reviewer, Laurie Schack (202-395-7316), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Chuck Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

Extension: Rule 15g-2 [17 CFR 240.15g-2], SEC File No. 270-381, OMB Control No. 3235-0434.

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 ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

The "Penny Stock Disclosure Rules" (Rule 15g-2, 17 CFR 240.15g-2) require broker-dealers to provide their customers with a risk disclosure document, as set forth in Schedule 15G, prior to their first non-exempt transaction in a "penny stock." As amended, the rules requires broker-dealers to obtain written acknowledgement from the customer that he or she has received the required risk disclosure document. The amended rule also requires broker-dealers to maintain a copy of the customer's written acknowledgement for at least three years following the date on which the risk disclosure document was provided to the customer, the first two years in an accessible place.

The risk disclosure documents are for the benefit of the customers, to assure that they are aware of the risks of trading in "penny stocks" before they enter into a transaction. The risk disclosure documents are maintained by the broker-dealers and may be reviewed during the course of an examination by the Commission. The Commission estimates that there are approximately 270 broker-dealers subject to Rule 15g-2, and that each one of these firms will process an average of three new customers for "penny stocks" per week. Thus each respondent will process approximately 156 risk disclosure documents per year. The staff calculates that (a) the copying and mailing of the risk disclosure document should take no more than two minutes per customer, and (b) each customer should take no more than eight minutes to review, sign, and return the risk disclosure document. Thus, the total ongoing respondent burden is approximately 10 minutes per response, or an aggregate total of 1,560 minutes per respondent. Since there are 270 respondents, the annual burden is 421,200 minutes (1,560 minutes per each of the 270 respondents), or 7,020 hours. In addition, broker-dealers will incur a recordkeeping burden of approximately two minutes per response. Thus each respondent will incur a recordkeeping burden of 312 (156 x 2) minutes per