

(iii) Inspecting the contact points to ensure a secure connection to the battery.

(iv) Reinserting the battery and powering up and shutting down to ensure proper connections.

(v) Checking the battery compartment cover to ensure that it is securely fastened.

(c) The results of such examinations will be recorded and retained for one year and made available to MSHA on request.

(d) A qualified person as defined in 30 CFR 75.151 will continuously monitor for methane immediately before and during the use of nonpermissible surveying equipment within 150 feet of pillar workings.

(e) Nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be used if methane is detected in concentrations at or above one percent for the area being surveyed. When methane is detected at such levels while the nonpermissible surveying equipment is being used, the equipment will be deenergized immediately and the nonpermissible electronic equipment withdrawn further than 150 feet from pillar workings.

(f) All hand-held methane detectors will be MSHA-approved and maintained in permissible and proper operating condition as defined in 30 CFR 75.320.

(g) Batteries in the surveying equipment must be changed out or charged in fresh air more than 150 feet from pillar workings.

(h) Qualified personnel who use surveying equipment will be properly trained to recognize the hazards and limitations associated with the use of nonpermissible surveying equipment in areas where methane could be present.

(i) The nonpermissible surveying equipment will not be put into service until MSHA has initially inspected the equipment and determined that it is in compliance with all the terms and conditions in this petition.

Within 60 days after the Proposed Decision and Order becomes final, the petitioner will submit proposed revisions for its approved 30 CFR part 48 training plan to the District Manager. The revisions will specify initial and refresher training regarding the terms and conditions in the Proposed Decision and Order.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection as that afforded by the existing standard.

Dated: June 22, 2012.

George F. Triebisch,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 12-050]

NASA Advisory Council; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC).

DATES: Wednesday, July 25, 2012, 12 p.m.-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, July 26, 2012, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Friday, July 27, 2012, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; Local Time.

ADDRESSES: NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC), Building 1, Rooms E100D/E, 8800 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20771-0001. (Visitors will first need to go to the Main Gate to gain access to this Federal facility.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Marla King, NAC Administrative Officer, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC 20546, 202-358-1148.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. This meeting is also available telephonically and by WebEx. You must use a touch tone phone to participate in this meeting. Any interested person may call the USA toll-free conference call number (888) 989-9723 and then enter the numeric participant passcode: 39513 followed by the # sign. To join via WebEx the link is <https://nasa.webex.com/>, meeting number on July 25, 2012, is 997-683-462, and password N@C852???. On Thursday, July 26, 2012, the meeting number will be 997-683-462, and password N@C852???. On Friday, July 27, 2012, the meeting number will be 997-683-462, and password N@C852???

The agenda for the meeting will include reports from the NAC Committees:

- Aeronautics
- Audit, Finance and Analysis
- Commercial Space
- Education and Public Outreach
- Human Exploration and Operations
- Information Technology Infrastructure

—Science

—Technology and Innovation

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. All attendees will be requested to sign a register and to comply with NASA security requirements. Visitors must show valid State or Federal picture ID, green card, or passport, before receiving an access badge to enter into GSFC and must state that they are attending the NASA Advisory Council (NAC) meeting in Building 1. All U.S. citizens and green card holders desiring to attend must provide their full name, company affiliation (if applicable), and citizenship to the GSFC Protective Services Division no later than close of business on July 16, 2012. Foreign Nationals must provide the following information: full name, gender, date/place of birth, citizenship, home address, visa information (number, type, expiration date), passport information (number, country of issue, expiration date), employer/affiliation information (name of institution, title/position, address, country of employer, telephone, email address), and an electronically scanned or faxed copy of their passport and visa to the GSFC Security Office no later than the close of business on July 11, 2012. If the above information is not received by the noted dates, attendees should expect a minimum delay of two (2) hours. All visitors to this meeting will report to the Main Gate where they will be processed through Security prior to entering GSFC. Please provide the appropriate data, via fax 301-286-1230, noting at the top of the page "Public Admission to the NAC Meeting at GSFC." For security questions, please contact Pam Starling at 301-286-6865 or pamela.a.starling@nasa.gov or alternate contact: Debbie Brasel at 301-286-6876 or deborah.a.brasel@nasa.gov.

Patricia D. Rausch,

Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans

to request reinstatement of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting OMB clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be received by August 27, 2012, to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date would be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by email to splimpto@nsf.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Plimpton on (703) 292-7556 or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Monitoring for the National Science Foundation's Math and Science Partnership (MSP) Program.

OMB Control No.: 3145-0199.

Expiration Date of Approval: Not applicable.

1. Abstract

• This document has been prepared to support the clearance of data collection instruments to be used in the evaluation of the Math and Science Partnership (MSP) program. The goals for the program are to (1) Ensure that all K-12 students have access to, are

prepared for, and are encouraged to participate and succeed in challenging curricula and advanced mathematics and science courses; (2) enhance the quality, quantity, and diversity of the K-12 mathematics and science teacher workforce; and (3) develop evidence-based outcomes that contribute to our understanding of how students effectively learn the knowledge, skills and ways of thinking inherent in mathematics, computer science, engineering, and/or the natural sciences. The motivational force for realizing these goals is the formation of partnerships between institutions of higher education (IHEs) and K-12 school districts. The role of IHE content faculty is the cornerstone of this intervention. In fact, it is the rigorous involvement of science, mathematics, and engineering faculty—and the expectation that both IHEs and K-12 school systems will be transformed—that distinguishes MSP from other education reform efforts.

• The components of the overall MSP portfolio include active projects whose initial awards were made prior MSP competitions: (1) Comprehensive Partnerships that implement change in mathematics and/or science educational practices in both higher education institutions and in schools and school districts, resulting in improved student achievement across the K-12 continuum; (2) Targeted Partnerships that focus on improved K-12 student achievement in a narrower grade range or disciplinary focus within mathematics or science; (3) Institute Partnerships: Teacher Institutes for the 21st Century that focus on the development of mathematics and science teachers as school—and district-based intellectual leaders and master teachers; (4) Research, Evaluation and Technical Assistance (RETA) projects that build and enhance large-scale research and evaluation capacity for all MSP awardees and provide them with tools and assistance in the implementation and evaluation of their work; (5) MSP-Start Partnerships are for awardees new to the MSP program, especially from minority-serving institutions, community colleges and primarily undergraduate institutions, to support the necessary data analysis, project design, evaluation and team building activities needed to develop a full MSP Targeted or Institute Partnership; and (6) Phase II Partnerships for prior MSP Partnership awardees focus on specific innovation areas of their work where evidence of significant positive impact is clearly documented and where an investment

of additional resources and time would produce more robust findings and results.

The MSP monitoring information system, comprised of seven web-based surveys and one paper survey, collects a common core of data about each component of MSP. The Web application for MSP has been developed with a modular design that incorporates templates and self-contained code modules for rapid development and ease of modification. A downloadable version will also be available for respondents who prefer a paper version that they can mail or fax to the external contractor.

Use of the information: This information is required for effective program planning, administration, communication, program and project monitoring and evaluation, and for measuring attainment of NSF's program, project and strategic goals; the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-171) which established the Academic Competitiveness (ACC). The MSP program is also directly aligned with two of NSF's long-term investment categories: (1) Transform the Frontiers and (2) Innovate for Society.

2. Expected Respondents

Individuals or households, not-for-profit institutions, business or other for profit, and Federal State, local or tribal government. The expected respondents are principle investigators of all partnership and RETA projects; STEM and education faculty members and administrators who participated in MSP; school districts and IHEs that are partners in an MSP project; and teachers participating in Institute Partnerships.

3. Burden on the Public

Number of Respondents: 1,687.

Burden of the Public: The total estimate for this collection is 16,245 annual burden hours.

This figure is based upon the previous 3 years of collecting information under this clearance and anticipated collections. The average annual reporting burden is estimated to be between 2 and 22 hours per respondent depending on whether a respondent is a direct participant who is self-reporting or representing a project and reporting on behalf of many project participants. The majority of respondents (60%) are estimated to require fewer than two hours to complete the survey. The burden on the public is negligible because the study is limited to project participants that have received funding from the MSP Program.

Dated: June 22, 2012.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide; Comments Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notification of extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation published a notice on May 25, 2012, at 77 FR 31401, seeking comments on the National Science Foundation Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide. The original comment date was to end on June 25, 2012.

DATES: Comments on this notice will now be accepted until July 12, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Please send comments to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230 or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

Dated: June 22, 2012.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TIME AND DATE: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 10, 2012.

PLACE: NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20594.

STATUS: The ONE item is open to the public.

Matter To Be Considered

8423 Pipeline Accident Report—*Enbridge Incorporated Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Rupture and Release, Marshall, Michigan, July 25, 2010* (DCA-10-MP-007).

NEWS MEDIA CONTACT: Telephone: (202) 314-6100.

The press and public may enter the NTSB Conference Center one hour prior to the meeting for set up and seating.

Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Rochelle Hall at (202) 314-6305 by Friday, July 6, 2012.

The public may view the meeting via a live or archived webcast by accessing a link under “News & Events” on the NTSB home page at www.nts.gov.

Schedule updates including weather-related cancellations are also available at www.nts.gov.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Candi Bing, (202) 314-6403 or by email at bingc@nts.gov.

Dated: Friday, June 22, 2012.

Candi R. Bing,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-409; NRC-2012-0151]

Dairyland Power Cooperative; La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor Exemption From Certain Security Requirements

1.0 Background

The La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR) is owned and was operated by the Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC). The LACBWR was a nuclear power plant of nominal 50 Mw electrical output, which utilized a forced-circulation, direct-cycle boiling water reactor as its heat source. The plant is located on the east bank of the Mississippi River in Vernon County, Wisconsin. The plant was one of a series of demonstration plants funded, in part, by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). The nuclear steam supply system and its auxiliaries were funded by the AEC, and the balance of the plant was funded by the DPC. The Allis-Chalmers Company was the original licensee; the AEC later sold the plant to the DPC and provided them with a provisional operating license.

The LACBWR was permanently shut down on April 30, 1987, and reactor defueling was completed on June 11, 1987. Pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.82, the decommissioning plan was approved August 7, 1991. The decommissioning plan serves as the post-shutdown decommissioning activities report (PSDAR). The DPC has been conducting dismantlement and decommissioning activities. The DPC is

developing an onsite independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) and plans to move spent fuel to the ISFSI later in 2012.

2.0 Request/Action

Part 73, “Physical Protection of Plant and Materials,” provides in part, “This part prescribes requirements for the establishment and maintenance of a physical protection system which will have capabilities for the protection of special nuclear material at fixed sites and in transit and of plants in which special nuclear material is used.” In 10 CFR 73.55, entitled “Requirements for physical protection of licensed activities in nuclear power reactors against radiological sabotage,” paragraph (b)(1) states, “The licensee shall establish and maintain a physical protection program, to include a security organization, which will have as its objective to provide high assurance that activities involving special nuclear material are not inimical to the common defense and security and do not constitute an unreasonable risk to the public health and safety.”

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) revised 10 CFR 73.55, in part to include the preceding language, through the issuance of a final rule on March 27, 2009 (74 FR 13926). The revised regulation stated that it was applicable to all Part 50 licensees.

By letter dated February 23, 2011, the DPC submitted a revised LACBWR Physical Security Plan (PSP) that included changes to comply with 10 CFR 73.55 and to implement the ISFSI requirements for the planned transfer of spent fuel to dry cask storage. Additionally, by letter dated February 23, 2011, the DPC submitted a request for exemptions from the requirements in the following sections contained in 10 CFR 73.55: 73.55(b)(6), 73.55(b)(7), 73.55(b)(8), 73.55(b)(9)(ii)(A), 73.55(b)(9)(ii)(B), 73.55(b)(9)(ii)(C), 73.55(c)(c)(1)(i), 73.55(c)(2), 73.55(c)(4), 73.55(c)(6), 73.55(d)(3)(i), 73.55(e)(1)(i), 73.55(e)(10), 73.55(g)(2)(iii), 73.55(g)(7)(ii), 73.55(g)(8)(iii), 73.55(i)(1), 73.55(i)(2), 73.55(i)(4)(i), 73.55(i)(4)(ii)(A), 73.55(k)(5)(i)&(ii), 73.55(k)(5)(iii), and 73.55(k)(6)(i), for the LACBWR ISFSI.

3.0 Discussion

Pursuant to 10 CFR 73.5, “Specific exemptions,” the Commission may grant exemptions from the regulations in this part as it determines are authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and are otherwise in the public interest.