Date: July 19, 2001

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

<u>Title</u>: NRC Form 327, "Special Nuclear Material (SNM) and Source Material (SM) Physical

Inventory Summary Report," and NUREG/BR-0096, "Instructions and Guidance for

Completing Physical Inventory Summary Reports"

Current Burden/Responses: 98 hours/23 responses

Proposed Burden/Responses: 98 hours/23 responses

Burden Attributable to Third-Party Collections: 0

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: The frequency of reporting corresponds to the frequency of required inventories, which depends essentially on the strategic significance of the special nuclear material (SNM) covered by the particular license. Certain licensees possessing strategic SNM are required to report inventories every two months. Licensees possessing SNM of moderate strategic significance must report every six months. Licensees possessing SNM of low strategic significance must report annually.

<u>Reasons for Changes in Burden/Responses</u>: There is no change in the burden. However, the cost for professional effort has been increased in accordance with Part 170 to \$144 per hour.

Level of Concurrence: Chief

Fuel Cycle Licensing Branch

Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Recordkeeping Requirements in Accordance with the Retention Periods for Records Rule: N/A

<u>Search of the Information Requirements Control Automated System (IRCAS)</u>: IRCAS was searched on July 19, 2001. No duplication was found.

<u>Abstract</u>: NRC Form 327 is submitted by fuel facility licensees to account for special nuclear material. The data is used by NRC to assess licensee material control and accounting programs and to confirm the absence of (or detect the occurrence of) special nuclear material theft or diversion. NUREG/BR-0096 provides specific guidance and instructions for completing the form in accordance with the requirements appropriate for a particular licensee.

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