

Date: August 6, 2002

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

Title: 10 CFR 40, Proposed Rule - Amendments to Require NRC Approval for Transfers from Licensees to Exempt Persons

Current Burden/Responses: 72,549 hrs/758 responses

Proposed Burden/Responses: 72,849 hrs/765 responses

Differences: +300 hrs/+7 responses

Number of Respondents: 328

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Reasons for Changes in Burden/Responses: Under the current regulations, certain licensees may not be notifying NRC prior to transfer of their source material to persons exempt under § 40.13(a). The proposed rule would establish explicit procedures for licensees to obtain NRC approval before transferring less than 0.05 percent source material derived from specifically licensed material to persons exempt under § 40.13(a). Thus, under the proposed rule, licensees' burden would increase by the number of hours needed to prepare and submit their requests (300 hours per year). NRC believes this incremental burden is justified because the requested information would assist the NRC in ensuring that the radiation level of the transferred material is compatible with the established levels for the intended use or permanent disposal.

The proposed rule added the word disposes to 40.13(a) and revised 40.51 with the addition of (e) in subparagraph (b) and adding subparagraph (e). This new paragraph is an information collection. The PRAS is correct. The information collections identified in the proposed rule are 40.51(a); (c); (d) and (e), with the only change being the addition of paragraph (e). There were only minor changes to package since the last review in April 2001.

Level of Concurrence: Chief, Operations Branch
Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Recordkeeping Requirements in Accordance with the Retention Periods for Records Rule:
Recordkeeping retentions are in accordance with standard record retention periods.

Search of the Information Requirements Control Automated System (IRCAS):
IRCAS was searched, no duplication was found.

Abstract:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to amend its regulations to require NRC approval for transfers from licensees of quantities of source material that is less than 0.05 percent by weight to persons exempt from licensing requirements under 10 CFR 40.13(a). The object of this proposed action is to ensure that the regulations regarding transfers of material containing low concentrations of source material are adequate to protect public health and safety.

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