SUMMARY OF INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

10 CFR Part 51, Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Title: Related Regulatory Functions (Draft clearance extension renewal)

Current Burden/Responses:

60,288 hours/27 responses

Proposed Burden/Responses:

78,765 hours/18 responses

Burden Attributable to Third-Party Collections: None

Frequency of Response: On occasion

Reasons for Changes in Burden/Responses:

Burden Increases:

NRC anticipates requests for design certifications and early site reviews (6 over the clearance period). There were none in the previous clearance renewal period. NRC also anticipates 18 license renewal applications versus the 10 in the previous clearance period.

Burden Decreases:

NRC expects to receive 10 requests for review of test and research reactor upgrades, renewals, and decommissioning requests versus 13 in the previous clearance renewal period. Additionally, we expect only 6 materials applications versus the 17 during the last clearance period. However, the burden per application is slightly higher (1668 hours per application vs. 1542 hours), because the reviews are of a higher complexity. Additionally, the contract dollars for preparing the environmental impact statement have not decreased because the reviews in the previous renewal period for the most part only required environmental assessments.

Level of Concurrence:

Director

Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Recordkeeping Requirements in Accordance with the Retention Periods for Records Rule: There are no recordkeeping requirements.

Search of the Information Requirements Control Automated System (IRCAS):

IRCAS was searched on October 23, 2002. No duplication was found.

Abstract:

10 CFR Part 51 specifies information to be provided by applicants and licensees so that the NRC can make determinations necessary to adhere to the policies, regulations, and pubic laws of the United States, which are to be interpreted and administered in accordance with the policies set forth in the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended.