

Date: February 10, 2003

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

Title: 10 CFR Part 60, Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Waste in Geologic Repositories

Current Burden/Responses: 242 hours/6 responses

Proposed Burden/Responses: 121 hours/1 responses (however, none are expected)

Frequency of Response: One-time

Number of Respondents: 1; however, none are expected

Reasons for Changes in Burden/Responses: All of the reported burden hours and cost for the information collection requirements under part 60 in the past three years pertained to the U.S. Department of Energy's proposed high-level waste site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, and no other sites. In November 2001, the regulations changed by the issuance of 10 CFR Part 63 (66FR55792, November 2, 2001), which was promulgated specifically to regulate disposal of high-level radioactive wastes in a geologic repository at Yucca Mountain. 10 CFR Part 60 was also revised. As provided in §60.1, the regulations in 10 CFR Part 60 no longer apply to the licensing of a geologic repository at Yucca Mountain. All of the information collection requirements pertaining to Yucca Mountain were included in 10 CFR Part 63, and were approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 3150-0199 (§ 63.8). The information collection burden in 10 CFR Part 63 was estimated at 121 hours per response, on average. The approved information collection requirements contained in 10 CFR Part 63 appear in §§ 63.62, 63.63, and 63.65.

It is expected that there will be no licensing actions pertaining to any high-level radioactive waste repository sites under 10 CFR Part 60 during the next three years. Therefore, no burden or hour cost for the information collection requirement is expected under Part 60 during the next three years. However, because OMB will not accept a zero burden, the 83I will reflect a burden of 1 hour.

Level of Concurrence: Branch Chief
Performance Assessment and High-Level Waste Integration
Division of Waste Management
Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards

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

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

Abstract: Part 60 requires States and Indian Tribes to submit certain information to the NRC if they request consultation with the NRC staff concerning the review of a potential repository site, or wish to participate in a license application review for a potential repository (other than the Yucca Mountain, Nevada site proposed by the U.S. Department of Energy). Representatives of States or Indian Tribes must submit a statement of their authority to act in such a representative capacity. The information submitted by the States and Indian Tribes is used by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards as a basis for decisions about the commitment of NRC staff resources to the consultation and participation efforts. As provided in §60.1, the regulations in 10 CFR Part 60 no longer apply to the licensing of a geologic repository at Yucca Mountain. All of the information collection requirements pertaining to Yucca Mountain were

included in 10 CFR Part 63, and were approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 3150-0199 (§ 63.8). The Yucca Mountain site is regulated under 10 CFR Part 63 (66FR55792, November 2, 2001).

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