

Date: February 2, 2004

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

Title: Policy Statements, Criteria for Guidance of States and NRC in Discontinuance of NRC Regulatory Authority and Assumption Thereof by States Through Agreement, Maintenance of Existing Agreement State Programs, Request for Information Through the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) Questionnaire, and Agreement State Participation in IMPEP

Current Burden/Responses: 244,088 hours/50 responses

Proposed Burden/Responses: 257,173 hours/54 responses

Frequency of Response: As needed for new Agreement States (Ass); approximately once every four years for current AS.

Number of Respondents: 33

Reasons for Changes in Burden/Responses: There has been an overall burden increase of 13,085 hours from 244,088 hours to 257,173 hours annually. The number of Agreement States has increased from 32 to 33. The annual burden for IMPEP participation by Agreement States was re-estimated because of an increase from 9 to 11 reviews, resulting in an increase in burden from 324 to 396 hours (+ 72 hours). The burden for reporting and recordkeeping for maintaining all activities associated with existing Agreement States has increased from 239,040 hours to 252,000 hours (+12,960 hours) based on adding an Agreement State and a revised estimate of the burden per response of 7,636 hours instead of 7,470 hours. The number of responses increased from 50 to 54 for an increase of 4 responses. In addition, the staff professional hourly rates changed from \$143/hour to \$158/hour.

Level of Concurrence: Director
Office of State and Tribal Programs

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: States wishing to become an Agreement State are requested to provide certain information to the NRC as specified by the Commission's Policy Statement, "Criteria for Guidance of States and NRC in Discontinuance of NRC Regulatory Authority and Assumption Thereof by States Through Agreement." Agreement States need to ensure that the Radiation Control Program under the Agreement remains adequate and compatible with the requirements of Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act (Act) and must maintain certain information. NRC conducts periodic evaluations through IMPEP to ensure that these programs are compatible with the NRC's, meet the applicable parts of the Act, and are adequate to protect public health and safety.

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