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U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment request

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AGENCY: U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to OMB and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a submittal to OMB for review of continued approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. The title of the information collection:
NRC Form 241, "Report of Proposed Activities in Non-Agreement States"
2. Current OMB approval number: 3150-0013
3. How often the collection is required: NRC Form 241 must be submitted each time an Agreement State licensee wants to engage in or revise its activities involving the use of radioactive byproduct material in a non-

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Agreement State. The NRC may waive the requirements for filing additional copies of NRC Form 241 during the remainder of the calendar year following receipt of the initial form from a person engaging in activities under the general license.

4. Who is required or asked to report: Any persons who hold a specific license from an Agreement State and want to conduct the same activity in non-Agreement States under the general license in 10 CFR 150.20.
5. The number of annual respondents: The NRC annually receives approximately 4,600 responses from Agreement States associated with NRC Form 241. These responses include 200 initial reciprocity requests on NRC Form 241, and 1,100 revisions and 3,300 clarifications of the information submitted on the forms.
6. The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 1,200 hours
7. Abstract: Under the reciprocity provisions of 10 CFR Part 150, any Agreement State licensee who engages in activities (use of radioactive byproduct material) in non-Agreement States under the general license in Section 150.20 is required to file four copies of NRC Form 241, "Report of Proposed Activities in Non-Agreement States," and four copies of its Agreement State license at least 3 days before engaging in each such

activity. This mandatory notification permits NRC to schedule inspections of the activities to determine whether the activities are being conducted in accordance with requirements for protection of the public health and safety.

Submit by (insert date 60 days after publication in the Federal Register), comments that address the following questions:

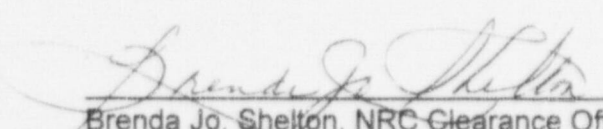
1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
2. Is the burden estimate accurate?
3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?
4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW (lower level), Washington, DC. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>). The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T-6 F33, Washington, DC, 20555-0001, by telephone at 301-415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at BJS1@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 27th day of January 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.


Brenda Jo. Shelton, NRC Clearance Officer
Office of the Chief Information Officer