

U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Notice of the OMB review of information collection and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC has recently submitted to OMB for review the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The NRC hereby informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

1. Type of submission, new, revision, or extension: Revision
2. The title of the information collection: 10 CFR Part 21, "Reporting of Defects and Noncompliance"
3. The form number if applicable: Not applicable
4. How often the collection is required: On occasion

5. Who will be required or asked to report: All directors and responsible officers of firms and organizations building, operating, or owning NRC licensed facilities as well as directors and responsible officers of firms and organizations supplying basic components and safety related design, analysis, testing, inspection, and consulting services to NRC licensed facilities or activities.
6. An estimate of the number of responses: 230 responses
7. The estimated number of annual respondents: 100 respondents
8. An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 17,093 (13,480 reporting hours and 3,613 recordkeeping hours)
9. An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies: Not applicable
10. Abstract: 10 CFR Part 21 implements Section 206 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended. It requires directors and responsible officers of firms and organizations building, operating, owning, or supplying basic components to NRC licensed facilities or activities to report defects and noncompliances that could create a substantial safety

hazard at NRC licensed facilities or activities. Organizations subject to 10 CFR Part 21 are also required to maintain such records as may be required to assure compliance with this regulation.

The NRC staff reviews 10 CFR Part 21 reports to determine whether the reported defects in basic components and related services and failures to comply at NRC licensed facilities or activities are potentially generic safety problems.

A copy of the final 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>) under the FedWorld collection link on the home page tool bar. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer by (insert date 30 days after publication in the Federal Register):

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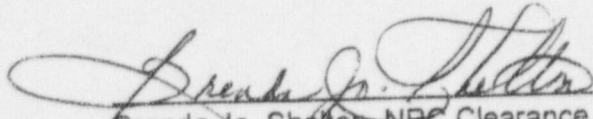


Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3084.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

  
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