

petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in §§201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission's rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Industrial users and (if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to these investigations upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list.—Pursuant to §207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in these investigations available to authorized applicants representing interested parties (as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(9)) who are parties to the investigations under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference.—The Commission's Director of Operations has scheduled a conference in connection with these investigations for 9:30 a.m. on September 30, 2003, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Parties wishing to participate in the conference should contact Olympia Hand (202-205-3182) not later than September 25, 2003, to arrange for their appearance. Parties in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in these investigations and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

Written submissions.—As provided in §§201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before October 3, 2003, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties may file written testimony in

connection with their presentation at the conference no later than three days before the conference. If briefs or written testimony contain BPI, they must conform with the requirements of §§201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means, except to the extent permitted by section 201.8 of the Commission's rules, as amended, 67 FR 68036 (November 8, 2002).

In accordance with §§201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: September 11, 2003.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation for Displaced Airline and Related Workers

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 17, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Thomas Stengle, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Room S-4231, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20210. Phone number: (202) 693-2991. Fax: 202-693-3229. (These are not toll free numbers.) E-mail: stengle.thomas@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On April 16, 2003, President Bush signed into law an enhancement to the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation (TEUC) program. This enhancement created special rules for determining TEUC eligibility for certain displaced airline related workers. Such workers may qualify for an additional 26 weeks of basic TEUC benefits if the worker became unemployed as a result of: (1) Reductions in service by an air carrier as a result of a terrorist action or security measure; (2) a closure of an airport in the United States as a result of a terrorist action or security measure; or (3) a military conflict with Iraq that has been authorized by Congress. In order to determine TEUC eligibility for these displaced airline and related workers specific information from employers must be collected. Emergency approval for this collection of information was granted through November 30, 2003. However, to cover the existing period of program implementation and to provide for potential congressional extensions of this program, ETA is seeking a 2 year extension for this collection package.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

Currently, the Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation for Displaced Airline Workers information collection request.

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed above in the addressee section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

Type of Review: Extension.
Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: TEUC—Displaced Airline and Related Workers.

OMB Number: 1205–0440.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal government.

Annualized Reporting Burden (time measured in hours):

	Number of Respondents Burden	Estimated time per response	Number of Reports	Total
Employer	40,000	.25	1	10,000
State	40,000	.50	1	20,000
Total Burden Hours:	30,000.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$781,700.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request and will become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 8, 2003.

Cheryl Atkinson,

Administrator, Office of Workforce Security.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. STN 50–454]

Exelon Generation Company, LLC, Byron Station, Unit No. 1; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an exemption to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 50, for Facility Operating License No. NPF–37 issued to Exelon Generation Company, LLC, (Exelon or the licensee), for operation of the Byron Station, Unit No. 1, located in Ogle County, Illinois. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed action would allow the use of a limited number of fuel rods with ZIRLO™ cladding that has a tin content lower than the currently licensed tin content range for ZIRLO™

in one lead test assembly (LTA) (i.e., LTA M09E). The licensee has also requested approval to irradiate two LTAs (i.e., M09E and M12E) that contain low-tin ZIRLO™ clad fuel rods and two “standard” Westinghouse 17x17 VANTAGE+ ZIRLO™ assemblies (i.e., M10E and M11E) up to 69,000 MWD/MTU for Byron, Unit 1 Cycle 13 (B1C13). The burnup limits are not part of the technical specifications (TS), but are design bases limits for the fuel cladding, and limit the current fuel rod-average burnup to less than or equal to 60,000 MWD/MTU. The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee’s application dated January 17, 2003, as supplemented by letter dated March 24, 2003. The licensee has indicated that it intends to submit an amendment request with respect to an increase in the rod-average burnup.

The Need for the Proposed Action

Available industry data indicates that corrosion resistance of nuclear fuel cladding improves for cladding with a low tin content. The optimum tin level provides a reduced corrosion rate while maintaining the benefits of mechanical strength and resistance to accelerated corrosion from abnormal chemistry conditions. In addition, fuel rod corrosion/temperature feedback effects have become more limiting with respect to fuel rod design criteria. By reducing the associated corrosion buildup and, thus, minimizing temperature feedback effects, additional margin to fuel rod internal pressure design criteria can be obtained.

As part of a program to address these issues, Westinghouse Electric Company (Westinghouse), has developed an LTA program in cooperation with Exelon that includes ZIRLO™ fuel cladding with a tin content lower than the currently licensed range for ZIRLO™. Use of fuel rods using such low-tin cladding requires exemptions from 10 CFR 50.44,

“Standards for combustible gas control system in light-water-cooled power reactors”; 10 CFR 50.46, “Acceptance criteria for emergency core cooling systems for light-water nuclear power reactors”; and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50, “ECCS Evaluation Models.”

In addition, the basis for approval of ZIRLO™ cladding used in the Byron core is provided in an NRC safety evaluation addressed to Westinghouse, “Acceptance for Referencing of Topical Report WCAP–12610, ‘VANTAGE+ Fuel Assembly Reference Core Report,’ ” dated July 1, 1991. The safety evaluation approved the use of the VANTAGE+ fuel design that was described in WCAP–12610–P–A, and found its use acceptable up to a rod-average burnup of 60,000 MWD/MTU. Use of the VANTAGE+ fuel design in the Byron core beyond that burnup level has not been approved yet because of uncertainty in changes in the gap-release fraction associated with increasing fuel burnup. The present methods for assessing fission gas releases have not been validated with actual data at higher peak-rod burnups. Therefore, part of the Westinghouse LTA program includes acquisition of actual operating data through the limited use of fuel rods in the Byron Unit 1 core to obtain burnup levels higher than 60,000 MWD/MTU that will be examined at the end of the Byron Unit 1, Cycle 13 (B1C13) fuel cycle.

Two LTAs (i.e., LTA M09E and M12E) were in use in Byron Unit 2, Cycle 10 (B2C10). These LTAs are composed of low-tin and standard composition ZIRLO™ cladding. The licensee modified one of the LTAs (M09E) to include fresh fuel rods with ZIRLO™ cladding that has a tin content lower than that of the ZIRLO™ cladding of the currently licensed fuel. No fuel rods were replaced in LTA M12E. Both LTAs will be used in Byron Unit 1 Cycle 13