

continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** All comments should be submitted within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should be addressed to Desk Officer for NASA; Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs; Office of Management and Budget; Room 10236; New Executive Office Building; Washington, DC, 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Ms. Nancy Kaplan, NASA Reports Officer, NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW, Code AO, Washington, DC 20546, (202) 358-1372.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) plans to renew an ongoing collection designed to collect information needed to evaluate bids and proposals submitted to NASA for the award of contracts with a value less than \$500,000 for goods and services in support of NASA's mission, and in response to contractual requirements. Solicitations for bids and proposals, and requirements for contract deliverables, are prepared in accordance with the OFPP Policy Act as amended by Pub. L. 96-83, the NASA Space Act, 42 U.S.C. *et seq.*, and approved mission requirements. As the need arises for goods and services, NASA follows the procedures set forth in Parts 14 and 15 of the FAR for the issuance of Invitation for Bids (IFBs) and Request for Proposals (RFPs) before a contract can be awarded. Similarly, in bids and proposals voluntarily submitted in response to IFBs and RFPs, contractors must furnish all information required by the FAR, the NFS, and Agency needs. This solicited information is used by NASA project and procurement managers to determine the responsiveness of bids and proposals and come to a decision on which contractor can provide the greatest benefit to the Agency and, ultimately, who will be awarded a contract.

**II. Method of Collection**

NASA collects this information electronically where feasible, but

information may also be collected by mail or fax.

**III. Data**

*Title:* NASA Acquisition Process: Bids and Proposals for Contracts With an Estimated Value Less than \$500,000.

*OMB Number:* 2700-0087.

*Type of review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local, or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,900.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* Varies, depending on type of response. Bids take an average of 250 hours per response. Proposals take an average of 400 hours per response.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,560,000.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$0.

**IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information collected has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection. They will also become a matter of public record.

**Patricia L. Dunnington,**

*Chief Information Officer, Office of the Administrator.*

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**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[04-039]

**Notice of Information Collection Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection under OMB review.

**SUMMARY:** The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as part of its

continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) plans to renew an ongoing collection, in the form of reports for contracts with a value more than \$500,000, designed to monitor contract compliance in support of NASA's mission. The requirements for this information are set forth in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the NASA FAR Supplement, and approved mission requirements. NASA technical program and contract management personnel use this information to effectively manage and administer contracts; to measure the contractor's performance; to evaluate contractor management systems; to ensure compliance with mandatory public policy provision; to evaluate and control costs charged against a contract; to detect and minimize conditions conducive to fraud, waste, and abuse; and to form a database for general overview reports to the Congressional and Executive branches.

**II. Method of Collection**

NASA collects this information electronically where feasible, but information may also be collected by mail or fax.

**III. Data**

*Title:* NASA Acquisition Process: Reports Required for Contracts With an Estimated Value More Than \$500,000.

*OMB Number:* 2700-0089.

*Type of review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local, or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,652.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* Respondents submit an average of 53 reports annually, requiring an average of 7 hours per report response time, for a total of 371 annual hours per respondent.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 601,328.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$0.

#### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information collected has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection. They will also become a matter of public record.

**Patricia L. Dunnington,**

*Chief Information Officer, Office of the Administrator.*

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#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (04-029)]

##### Notice of Prospective Patent License

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of prospective patent license.

**SUMMARY:** NASA hereby gives notice that CogniTek Management Systems, Inc., of Northfield, Illinois, has applied for an exclusive license to practice the inventions described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,374,630, entitled "Carbon Dioxide Absorption Heat Pump," which is assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective

grant of a license should be sent to the Patent Counsel at the NASA Management Office—JPL.

**DATES:** Responses to this notice must be received by April 5, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patent Counsel, NASA Management Office—JPL, 4800 Oak Grove Drive, Mail Station 180-200, Pasadena, CA 91109-8099.

Dated: February 19, 2004.

**Robert M. Stephens,**

*Deputy General Counsel.*

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#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

##### NSB Public Service Award Committee; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Board announces the following meeting:

*Date and Time:* Wednesday, March 10, 2 p.m.—3:30 p.m. EST (teleconference meeting).

*Place:* National Science Foundation, Arlington, Virginia.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Mrs. Susan E. Fannoney, Executive Secretary, National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703-292-8096.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations in the selection of the NSB Public Service Award recipients.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate nominations as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The nominations being reviewed include information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute unwarranted invasions of personal privacy. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

*For Further Information Contact:* Michael P. Crosby, Ph.D., Executive Officer, NSB, (703) 292-7000.

**Michael P. Crosby,**

*Executive Officer.*

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#### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

##### State of Utah: NRC Staff Draft Assessment of a Proposed Amendment to Agreement Between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the State of Utah

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Fourth notice of a proposed amendment to the Agreement with the State of Utah; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** By letter dated January 2, 2003, Governor Michael O. Leavitt of Utah requested that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) enter into an amendment to the Agreement with Utah (the Agreement) as authorized by section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (Act).

Under the proposed amendment to the Agreement, the Commission would relinquish, and Utah would assume, an additional portion of the Commission's regulatory authority exercised within the State. As required by the Act, NRC is publishing the proposed amendment to the Agreement for public comment. NRC is also publishing the summary of a draft assessment by the NRC staff of the portion of the regulatory program Utah would assume. Comments are requested on the proposed amendment to the Agreement and the staff's draft assessment, which finds the program to be adequate to protect public health and safety and compatible with NRC's program for regulation of 11e.(2) byproduct material.

The proposed amendment to the Agreement would release (exempt) persons who possess or use certain radioactive materials in Utah from portions of the Commission's regulatory authority. The Act requires that NRC publish those exemptions. Notice is hereby given that the pertinent exemptions have been previously published in the **Federal Register** and are codified in the Commission's regulations as 10 CFR part 150.

**DATES:** The comment period expires March 15, 2004. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission cannot assure consideration of comments received after the expiration date.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any one of the following methods. Please include the following phrase (Utah Amendment) in the subject line of your comments. Comments will be made available to the public in their entirety. Personal information will not be removed from your comments.

Mail comments to: Michael T. Lesar, Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

E-mail comments to: [NRCREP@nrc.gov](mailto:NRCREP@nrc.gov).

Fax comments to: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, at (301) 415-5144.

Publicly available documents related to this notice, including public