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Further information with reference to these meetings can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC, 20506, or call 202/682-5691.

Dated: October 6, 2004.

**Kathy Plowitz-Worden,**

*Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations,  
National Endowment for the Arts.*

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**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

**Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978**

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 9, 2004 and September 2, 2004, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit application received. Permits were issued on October 5, 2004 to:

Scott Borg—Permit No. 2005-011.

Bruce C. Sidell—Permit No. 2005-015.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act Meeting**

**DATE:** Weeks of October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 2004

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland

**STATUS:** Public and Closed

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

**Week of October 11, 2004**

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Decommissioning Activities and Status (Public Meeting) (Contact: Claudia Craig, 30-415-7276)  
This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).  
1:30 p.m. Discussion of Intragovernmental Issues (Closed—Ex. 1 & 9)

**Week of October 18, 2004—Tentative**

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 18, 2004

**Week of October 25, 2004—Tentative**

There are no meeting scheduled for the Week of October 25, 2004

**Week of November 1, 2004—Tentative**

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 1, 2004

**Week of November 8, 2004—Tentative**

*Monday, November 8, 2004*

2 p.m. Briefing on Plant Aging and Material Degradation Issues (Public Meeting) (Contact: Steve Koenick, 301-415-1239)  
This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

*Tuesday, November 9, 2004*

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Reactor Safety and Licensing Activities (Public Meeting) (Contact: Steve Koenick, 301-415-1239)  
This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

**Week of November 15, 2004—Tentative**

*Tuesday, November 16, 2004*

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Threat Environment Assessment (Closed—Ex. 1)

*Wednesday, November 17, 2004*

9:30 a.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1)

\* The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: Dave Gamberoni, (301) 415-1651.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: [www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html](http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html).

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This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20555 (301-415-1969). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to [dkw@nrc.gov](mailto:dkw@nrc.gov).

October 7, 2004.

**Dave Gamberoni,**

*Office of the Secretary.*

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**PACIFIC NORTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER AND CONSERVATION PLANNING COUNCIL**

**Northwest Power and Conservation Planning Council Power Plan Draft Amendments**

**AGENCY:** Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Planning Council (Northwest Power and Conservation Council; Council).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of Draft Fifth Northwest Conservation and Electric Power Plan.

**SUMMARY:** Following the mandate set out in the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act of 1980 (U.S.C. 839 *et seq.*) (the Act), in April 1983 the Council adopted a regional power plan, the Northwest Conservation and Electric Power Plan (the plan). The plan was completely amended in 1986. Although the Act requires the Council to review the plan at least every five years, the Council has taken up certain parts of the plan more often, to respond to ongoing changes in the adequacy,

efficiency, reliability and affordability of electric power in the region and to incorporate the most recent technology and analysis. The Council amended the plan in 1989 by publishing the 1989 Supplement to the 1986 Power Plan, updating certain technical data. In 1991 and 1998, the Council adopted complete amendments of the plan. Review of the plan began in 2002 and in September 2004, the Council released for public comment the Draft Fifth Power Plan. Hearings in each of the four Northwest States will be scheduled during the comment period, as required by the Act.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** With the draft Fifth Power Plan, as with the First Power Plan, the Council responds to the impacts of a regional electric power crisis. The draft plan builds on the lessons of the Western electricity crisis of 2000 and 2001 and recommends actions the Council believes will help the region reduce the risks of an uncertain future and secure an adequate, efficient, economical, and reliable power supply.

The draft plan meets the requirements of the Act, which specifies the components the plan is to have. The Act requires the plan to include among other elements, an energy conservation program, a recommendation for research and development; a methodology for determining quantifiable environmental costs and benefits; a 20-year demand forecast; a forecast of power resources that the Bonneville Power Administration will need to meet its obligations; an analysis of reserve and reserve reliability requirements; and a surcharge methodology. The plan also includes the Council's Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program, developed pursuant to other procedural requirements under the Act.

The Council will give notice of opportunities for oral comment at hearings throughout the Northwest both in mailed notices and on its Web site. Close of comment for written comments is 5 p.m. Friday, November 19, 2004. The Council also may hold consultations on the draft plan during the public comment period.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you would like a copy of the Draft Fifth Power Plan, please contact the Council's central office and ask for Council Document 2004-12. The Council's address is 851 SW., Sixth Avenue, Suite 1100, Portland, Oregon 97204. The Council's telephone numbers are 503-222-5161, and 800-452-5161; the Council's FAX is 503-820-2370. The Draft Fifth Power Plan is also found on the Council's Web site: <http://www.nwcouncil.org>.

If you are submitting comments on the draft plan, please note prominently that you are commenting on Council Document 2004-12. Comments may be submitted by mail, by facsimile transmission (FAX), or by electronic mail at: [comments@nwcouncil.org](mailto:comments@nwcouncil.org).

**Stephen L. Crow,**

*Executive Director.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Review of a Currently Approved Information Collection: RI 98-7

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a currently approved information collection. RI 98-7, We Need Important Information About Your Eligibility for Social Security Disability Benefits, is used by OPM to verify receipt of Social Security Administration (SSA) disability benefits, to lessen or avoid overpayment to Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) disability retirees. It notifies the annuitant of the responsibility to notify OPM if SSA benefits begin and the overpayment that will occur with the receipt of both benefits.

Approximately 3,000 RI 98-7 forms will be completed annually. The form takes approximately 5 minutes to complete. The annual burden is 250 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or via e-mail to [mbtoomey@opm.gov](mailto:mbtoomey@opm.gov). Please include a mailing address with your request.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—

Ronald W. Melton, Deputy Assistant Director, Retirement Services Program, Center for Retirement and Insurance Services, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 3305, Washington, DC 20415-3540;

and  
Joseph F. Lackey, OPM Desk Officer,  
Office of Information and Regulatory  
Affairs, Office of Management &  
Budget, New Executive Office  
Building, NW., Room 10235,  
Washington, DC 20503.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cyrus S. Benson, Team Leader,  
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Office of Personnel Management.

**Kay Coles James,**

*Director.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: RI 25- 51

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revised information collection. RI 25-51, Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) Survivor Annuitant Express Pay Application for Death Benefits, will be used by the Civil Service Retirement System solely to pay benefits to the widow(er) of an annuitant. This application is intended for use in immediately authorizing payments to an annuitant's widow or widower, based on the report of death, when our records show the decedent elected to provide benefits for the applicant.

Approximately 34,800 RI 25-51 forms are completed annually. The form takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. The annual burden is 17,400 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or via e-mail to [mbtoomey@opm.gov](mailto:mbtoomey@opm.gov). Please include a mailing address with your request.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—

Ronald W. Melton, Chief Operations Support Group, Center for Retirement and Insurance Services, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street,