

solicitations and contracts for supplies or services other than commercial items that contain the clause at DFARS 252.246-7003. DFARS 252.244-7000 requires that contractors include DFARS 252.246-7003 when applicable in subcontracts for commercial items or commercial components awarded at any tier under the contract.

**Ynette R. Shelkin,**

*Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.*

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Meeting Agenda.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, March 11, 2010, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. EST.

**PLACE:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave, NW., Suite 150, Washington, DC 20005 (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

### Agenda

The Commission will hold a public meeting to discuss identifying and mitigating risk in elections operations. Commissioners will receive an update on re-accrediting Wyle Laboratories, Inc. Commissioners will consider other administrative matters.

Members of the public may observe but not participate in EAC meetings unless this notice provides otherwise. Members of the public may use small electronic audio recording devices to record the proceedings. The use of other recording equipment and cameras requires advance notice to and coordination with the Commission's Communications Office.\*

\* View *EAC Regulations Implementing Government in the Sunshine Act*.

This meeting and hearing will be open to the public.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

**Thomas R. Wilkey,**

*Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an open meeting of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future (the Commission). The Commission was organized pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 94-463, 86 Stat. 770) (the Act). The Act requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register**. The Charter of the Commission can be found at [http://www.energy.gov/news/documents/BRC\\_Charter.pdf](http://www.energy.gov/news/documents/BRC_Charter.pdf).

**DATES:** Thursday, March 25, 2010, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.; Friday, March 26, 2010, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Willard Intercontinental, 1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20004, (202) 628-9100.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Timothy A. Frazier, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; telephone (202) 586-4243 or facsimile (202) 586-0544; e-mail [CommissionDFO@nuclear.energy.gov](mailto:CommissionDFO@nuclear.energy.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Background:** The President directed that the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future (the Commission) be established to conduct a comprehensive review of policies for managing the back end of the nuclear fuel cycle. The Commission will provide advice and make recommendations on issues including alternatives for the storage, processing, and disposal of civilian and defense spent nuclear fuel and nuclear waste.

The Commission is composed of individuals of diverse backgrounds selected for their technical expertise and experience, established records of distinguished professional and public service, and their knowledge of issues pertaining to nuclear energy.

**Purpose of the Meeting:** Inform the Commission members about the history and current status of spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste disposal in the United States and projections of disposal needs in the future.

**Tentative Agenda:** The initial meeting is expected to include presentations on the history of efforts to dispose of civilian light-water reactor spent nuclear fuel (SNF) and defense high-level waste (HLW) in the United States. Presentations are also expected that will

provide the status of the SNF and HLW (quantities and locations), projected generation rates for SNF associated with new nuclear plants, and projected quantities of defense HLW.

**Public Participation:** The meeting is open to the public. Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions may do so at the end of the meeting on Friday, March 26, 2010. Approximately 15 minutes will be reserved for public comments. Time allotted per speaker will depend on the number who wish to speak but will not exceed 5 minutes. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Those not able to attend the meeting or have insufficient time to address the committee are invited to send a written statement to Timothy A. Frazier, U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, or e-mail [CommissionDFO@nuclear.energy.gov](mailto:CommissionDFO@nuclear.energy.gov).

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting will be available by contacting Mr. Frazier. He may be reached at the postal address or email address above.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 3, 2010.

**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2009-0819; FRL-9124-7]

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Questionnaire for Steam Electric Power Generating Effluent Guidelines (New); EPA ICR No. 2368.01, OMB Control No. 2040-NEW**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request for a new collection. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before April 8, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2009-0819, to (1) EPA online using <http://www.regulations.gov> (our preferred method), by e-mail to [ow-docket@epa.gov](mailto:ow-docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Water Docket, Mailcode 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB by mail to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jezebele Alicea-Virella, Engineering and Analysis Division (4303T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-1755; e-mail address: [Alicea.Jezebele@epa.gov](mailto:Alicea.Jezebele@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On October 29, 2009 (74 FR 55837-55839), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received comments from electric power companies, industry trade associations, and an environmental group. The topics raised in these comments address both general matters related to the ICR, such as format and timing, and suggested revisions to specific questions that request technical information in various sections of the questionnaire. The comments are summarized in the supporting statement for this ICR. Any additional comments on this proposed ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2009-0819, which is available for online viewing at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or in person viewing at the Water Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is 202-566-1744, and the telephone number for the Water Docket is (202) 566-2426.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at <http://www.regulations.gov>, to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and

to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at <http://www.regulations.gov> as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, confidential business information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**Title:** Questionnaire for Steam Electric Power Generating Effluent Guidelines (New).

**ICR numbers:** EPA ICR No. 2368.01, OMB Control No. 2040-NEW.

**ICR Status:** This ICR is for a new information collection activity. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

**Abstract:** The Clean Water Act (CWA) directs EPA to develop regulations, called effluent guidelines, to limit the amount of pollutants that are discharged to surface waters or to sewage treatment plants. The effluent guidelines for the steam electric power generating point source category apply to steam electric generating units at establishments that are primarily engaged in the generation of electricity for distribution and sale, resulting primarily from a process using nuclear or fossil-type fuels, such as coal, oil and natural gas.

EPA first identified the industry during its 2005 annual review of discharges from categories with existing effluent guidelines regulations, when publicly available data indicated that this industry ranked high in discharges of toxic and nonconventional pollutants. Because of these findings, EPA initiated a more detailed study of the industry and collected data through site visits, wastewater sampling, a limited data request, and secondary sources of data. EPA determined that steam electric power plants are responsible for a significant amount of

the toxic pollutant loadings discharged to surface waters by point sources. Further information regarding these conclusions can be found in EPA's study, *Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category: Final Detailed Study Report* (EPA 821-R-09-008). This ICR will support the review and revision of the Steam Electric ELGs.

EPA is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to review and approve the ICR for Steam Electric Power Generating Effluent Guidelines. The ICR will aid in the collection of information from a wide range of steam electric power generating industry operations to characterize waste streams, understand the processes that generate the wastes, gather environmental data, and assess the availability and affordability of treatment technologies. These data will be used to perform detailed technical and economic analyses that will support EPA's rulemaking.

EPA has identified approximately 1,200 fossil- and nuclear-fueled steam electric power plants that are potentially within scope of the data collection objectives of the questionnaire. To reduce burden on the industry, EPA intends to distribute the questionnaire to a statistically-sampled subset of these facilities. After addressing comments provided during the first FRN publication comment period, which ended on December 28, 2009, EPA estimates that approximately 734 fossil- or nuclear-fueled steam electric plants will be required to complete Parts A and I of the questionnaire. This is a decrease in the number of respondents, from 760 to 734. The questionnaire consists of multiple sections which have been tailored to address specific processes, specific data needs, or types of power plants. Parts A and I of the questionnaire will be sent to all questionnaire recipients (734 plants); the remaining sections will be sent to discrete subpopulations of questionnaire recipients. Overall, EPA estimates a reduction of 11,640 hours in respondent burden as a result of the revisions of the questionnaire.

The questionnaire will collect general plant information and selected technical information about the plant processes and the electric generating units. The information that will be collected includes economic data and technical information about flue gas desulfurization (FGD) wastewater, ash handling, process equipment cleaning operations, wastewater treatment, surface impoundment and landfill operations, and nuclear operations. The questionnaire will also require certain power plants to collect and analyze

samples of leachate from surface impoundments and landfills containing coal combustion residues. More details about information requested in each section of the questionnaire are provided in the ICR supporting statement.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 197 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

The ICR provides a detailed explanation of the Agency's estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

**Respondents/Affected Entities:** Steam electric power plants.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 734.

**Frequency of Response:** Once.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 48,150 hours.

**Estimated Total Annual Cost:** \$3,076,316. This includes an estimated annual burden cost of \$2,670,633 for labor and \$405,683 million for operations and maintenance.

**Changes in the Estimates:** This is a new collection and thus represents a one-time increase to the Agency's overall burden.

Dated: March 4, 2010.

**John Moses,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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**ACTION:** Notice of the Availability of Funds.

**SUMMARY:** EPA's Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR) plans to make available approximately \$8 million to supplementally fund Revolving Loan Fund capitalization grants previously awarded competitively under section 104(k)(3) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9604(k)(3). Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (BCRLF) pilots awarded under section 104(d)(1) of CERCLA that have not transitioned to section 104(k)(3) grants are not eligible to apply for these funds. EPA will consider awarding supplemental funding only to RLF grantees who have demonstrated an ability to deliver programmatic results by making at least one loan or subgrant. The award of these funds is based on the criteria described at CERCLA 104(k)(4)(A)(ii).

The Agency is now accepting requests for supplemental funding from RLF grantees. Requests for funding must be submitted to the appropriate EPA Regional Brownfields Coordinator (listed below) by [insert date 30 days from date of publication]. Funding requests for hazardous substances and/or petroleum funding will be accepted. Specific information on submitting a request for RLF supplemental funding is described below and additional information may be obtained by contacting the EPA Regional Brownfields Coordinator.

**DATES:** This action is effective March 9, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** A request for supplemental funding must be in the form of a letter addressed to the appropriate Regional Brownfields Coordinator with a copy to Diane Kelley, USEPA Region I, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Boston, MA 02109-3912. See listing below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Diane Kelley, U.S. EPA, Region I, (617) 918-1424 or the appropriate Brownfields Regional Coordinator.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Background

The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act added section 104(k) to CERCLA to authorize federal financial assistance for brownfields revitalization, including grants for assessment, cleanup and job training. Section 104(k) includes a provision for the EPA to, among other things, award grants to eligible entities to capitalize Revolving Loan Funds and

to provide loans and subgrants for brownfields cleanup. Section 104(k)(4)(A)(ii) authorizes EPA to make additional grant funds available to RLF grantees for any year after the year for which the initial grant is made (noncompetitive RLF supplemental funding) taking into consideration:

(I) The number of sites and number of communities that are addressed by the revolving loan fund;

(II) The demand for funding by eligible entities that have not previously received a grant under this subsection;

(III) The demonstrated ability of the eligible entity to use the revolving loan fund to enhance remediation and provide funds on a continuing basis; and

(IV) such other similar factors as the [Agency] considers appropriate to carry out this subsection.

#### Eligibility

In order to be considered for supplemental funding, RLF recipients must have made at least one loan or subgrant prior to applying for this supplemental funding. Additionally, the RLF recipient must have significantly depleted existing available funds; demonstrated a need for supplemental funding based on, among other factors, the number of sites that will be addressed; demonstrated the ability to administer and revolve the capitalization funding in the RLF grant; demonstrated an ability to use the RLF grant to address funding gaps for cleanup; and demonstrated that they have provided a community benefit from past and potential loan(s) and/or subgrant(s). Additional consideration will be given to RLF recipients who will use the funds to address areas severely impacted by economic disruptions. Applicants for supplemental funding must contact the appropriate Regional Brownfields Coordinator below to obtain information on the format for supplemental funding applications for their region. When requesting supplemental funding, applicants must specify whether they are seeking funding for sites contaminated by hazardous substances or petroleum. Applicants may request both types of funding.

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9124-3]

### FY2010 Supplemental Funding for Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grantees

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).