

comments should notify the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Hossein Nourbakhsh (Telephone 301-415-5622 or Email: [Hossein.Nourbakhsh@nrc.gov](mailto:Hossein.Nourbakhsh@nrc.gov)) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be emailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Detailed procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 2016, (81 FR 71543).

Detailed meeting agendas and meeting transcripts are available on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acrs>. Information regarding topics to be discussed, changes to the agenda, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the time allotted to present oral statements can be obtained from the Web site cited above or by contacting the identified DFO. Moreover, in view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with these references if such rescheduling would result in a major inconvenience.

If attending this meeting, please enter through the One White Flint North building, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. After registering with Security, please contact Mr. Theron Brown (Telephone 240-888-9835) to be escorted to the meeting room.

Dated: April 5, 2017.

**Mark L. Banks,**

*Chief, Technical Support Branch, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on APR1400; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on APR1400 will hold a meeting on April 19–20, 2017, at 11545 Rockville Pike, Room T-2B1, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The meeting will be open to public attendance with the exception of portions that may be closed to protect information that is proprietary pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4). The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

**Wednesday, April 19, 2017—8:30 a.m. Until 5:00 p.m.; Thursday, April 20, 2017—8:30 a.m. Until 5:00 p.m.**

The Subcommittee will review the APR1400 Design Control Document and Safety Evaluation Report with Open Items, Chapter 17, “Quality Assurance and Reliability Assurance” and Chapter 19, “Probabilistic Risk Assessment and Severe Accident Evaluation.” The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with the NRC staff and Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power Company regarding this matter. The Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the Full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official (DFO), Christopher Brown (Telephone 301-415-7111 or Email: [Christopher.Brown@nrc.gov](mailto:Christopher.Brown@nrc.gov)) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be emailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Detailed procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 2016, (81 FR 71543).

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## OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

### OSC Annual Survey

**AGENCY:** Office of Special Counsel.

**ACTION:** Notice for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and implementing regulations, the U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC), is requesting approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for use of a previously approved information collection (survey). OSC is required by statute to annually conduct the survey and publish the results in OSC's annual report. The OSC Annual Survey consists of four electronic questionnaires. The prior OMB approval for the survey expired November 30, 2016. OSC is requesting emergency approval for the survey, and we are not making any changes to the previously approved survey.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 12, 2017. However, pursuant to regulations, OSC is requesting OMB's emergency approval by April 17, 2017. Therefore, comments are best assured of having full effect if received by OMB within 5 days of this notice's publication in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit written comments by mail to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,

Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for OSC, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; or by email via: [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kenneth Hendricks, Clerk of the U.S. Office of Special Counsel, by telephone at (202) 254-3600, or by email at [khendricks@osc.gov](mailto:khendricks@osc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Current and former Federal employees, employee representatives, other Federal agencies, state and local government employees, and the general public are invited to comment on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OSC functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of OSC's estimate of the burden of the proposed collections of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

OSC is an independent agency responsible for among other things, (1) investigation of allegations of prohibited personnel practices defined by law at 5 U.S.C. 2302(b), protection of whistleblowers, and certain other illegal employment practices under titles 5 and 38 of the U.S. Code, affecting current or former Federal employees or applicants for employment, and covered state and local government employees; and (2) the interpretation and enforcement of Hatch Act provisions on political activity in chapters 15 and 73 of title 5 of the U.S. Code. OSC is required to conduct an annual survey of individuals who seek its assistance. Section 13 of Public Law 103-424 (1994), codified at 5 U.S.C. 1212 note, states, in part: “[T]he survey shall—(1) determine if the individual seeking assistance was fully apprised of their rights; (2) determine whether the individual was successful either at the Office of Special Counsel or the Merit Systems Protection Board; and (3) determine if the individual, whether successful or not, was satisfied with the treatment received from the Office of Special Counsel.” The same section also requires OSC to publish the survey's results in OSC's annual report to Congress. Copies of prior years' annual reports are available on OSC's Web site, at <https://osc.gov/Pages/Resources-ReportsAndInfo.aspx> or by calling OSC at (202) 254-3600. The prior OSC Annual Survey, OMB Control Number 3255-0003, expired on November 30,

2016. OSC is requesting emergency approval and reinstatement without change of this previously approved collection of information. As with the prior approved survey, this survey will be hosted by Survey Monkey (<https://www.surveymonkey.com>).

The survey questionnaires are available for review on line at <https://osc.gov/Resources/Survey%20Samples%202017.pdf> or by calling OSC at (202) 254-3600.

*Type of Information Collection Request:* Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection of information that expired on November 30, 2016.

*Affected public:* Filers (or their representatives) seeking OSC services through: (1) Complaints alleging prohibited personnel practice or Hatch Act violations; or (2) disclosures of information alleging violation of law, rule, or regulation.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.  
*Estimated Annual Number of Survey Form Respondents:* 500.

*Frequency of Survey form use:* Annual.

*Estimated Average Amount of Time for a Person to Respond to survey:* 12 minutes.

*Estimated Annual Survey Burden:* 100 hours.

OSC will use the questionnaires to survey filers, whose matters OSC closed or otherwise resolved during the prior fiscal year, on their experience at OSC. Specifically, the survey asks questions relating to whether the respondent was: (1) Apprised of his or her rights; (2) successful at the OSC or at the Merit Systems Protection Board; and (3) satisfied with the treatment received at the OSC.

Dated: April 6, 2017.

**Bruce Gipe,**

*Chief Operating Officer.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

*Upon Written Request, Copies Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549-0213

*Extension:*

Rule 22d-1, OMB Control No. 3235-0310, SEC File No. 270-275

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

(“Paperwork Reduction Act”) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) is soliciting comments on the collections of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 22d-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”) (17 CFR 270.22d-1) provides registered investment companies that issue redeemable securities (“funds”) an exemption from section 22(d) of the 1940 Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-22(d)) to the extent necessary to permit scheduled variations in or elimination of the sales load on fund securities for particular classes of investors or transactions, provided certain conditions are met. The rule imposes an annual burden per series of a fund of approximately 15 minutes, so that the total annual burden for the approximately 4,509 series of funds that might rely on the rule is estimated to be 1127.25 hours.

The estimate of average burden hours is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act. The estimate is based on communications with industry representatives, and is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study. Responses will not be kept confidential. 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.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden(s) of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Pamela Dyson, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549; or send an email to: [PRA\\_Mailbox@sec.gov](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov).