

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to OMB and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a submittal to OMB for review of continued approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirements to be submitted:

1. *The title of the information collection:* 10 CFR Part 25—Access Authorization for Licensee Personnel.
2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0046.
3. *How often the collection is required:* On occasion.
4. *Who is required or asked to report:* NRC regulated facilities and other organizations requiring access to NRC classified information.
5. *The number of annual respondents:* 20.
6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 257 hours (197 hours Reporting and 60 hours Recordkeeping) or 3.8 hours/response.
7. *Abstract:* NRC regulated facilities and other organizations are required to provide information and maintain records to ensure that an adequate level of protection is provided NRC classified information and material.

Submit by December 2, 1997, comments that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
2. Is the burden estimate accurate?
3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected?
4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street NW (lower level), Washington, DC. OMB clearance packages are available at the NRC worldwide web site ([http://](http://www.nrc.gov)

www.nrc.gov) under the FedWorld collection link on the home page tool bar. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T-6 F33, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by telephone at (301) 415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at BJS1@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of September 1997.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Acting Designated Senior Official for Information Resources Management.

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[Docket Number 40-8902]

Atlantic Richfield Company; Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of placing the Bluewater uranium mill and tailings disposal site near Grants, New Mexico, in the custody and long-term care of the U.S. Department of Energy under the general licensing provisions of 10 CFR part 40.28; and notice of opportunity for a hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has accepted the Long-Term Surveillance Plan (LTSP) submitted by U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), by letter dated July 31, 1997, for the Bluewater uranium mill and tailings disposal site. The LTSP was developed by DOE as the long-term custodian of the Bluewater site. By accepting the LTSP, the Bluewater site will be regulated by NRC under the general licensing provisions of 10 CFR 40.28, and the Atlantic Richfield Company's Source Material License SUA-1470 for the Bluewater site has been terminated. These actions complete all requirements for closure of the Bluewater site under Title II of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978, as amended. An NRC staff environmental assessment is not required for this action, since it is categorically excluded under 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth R. Hooks, Uranium Recovery

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING:

The Commission hereby provides notice that this is a proceeding on an application for a licensing action falling within the scope of Subpart L, "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials Licensing Proceedings, of the Commission's Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings in 10 CFR Part 2" (54 FR 8269). Pursuant to § 2.1205(a), any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a request for a hearing. In accordance with § 2.1205(c), a request for a hearing must be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this **Federal Register** notice. The request for a hearing must be filed with the Office of the Secretary either:

(1) By delivery to the Docketing and Service Branch of the Office of the Secretary at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852; or

(2) By mail or telegram addressed to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch.

Each request for a hearing must also be served, by delivering it personally or by mail to:

(1) The applicant, Atlantic Richfield Company, Bluewater Mill, P.O. Box 638, Grants, New Mexico 87020; and

(2) The NRC staff, by delivery to the Executive Director of Operations, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, or by mail addressed to the Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

In addition to meeting other applicable requirements of 10 CFR Part 2 of the Commission's regulations, a request for a hearing filed by a person other than an applicant must describe in detail:

(1) The interest of the requestor in the proceeding;

(2) How that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, including the reasons why the requestor should be permitted a hearing, with particular reference to the factors set out in § 2.1205(g);

(3) the requestor's areas of concern about the licensing activity that is the subject matter of the proceeding; and

(4) The circumstances establishing that the request for a hearing is timely in accordance with § 2.1205(c).

Any hearing that is requested and granted will be held in accordance with