**NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**

**60-Day Notice for the “NEA Applicant Survey”**

**AGENCY:** National Endowment for the Arts.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This program helps to ensure that requested data is provided in the desired format; reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized; collection instruments are clearly understood; and the impact of collection requirements on respondents is properly assessed. Currently, the NEA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection of an NEA applicant survey. A copy of the current information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the address section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the address section below within 60 days from the date of this publication in the Federal Register. The NEA is particularly interested in comments that:

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Can help the agency minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the electronic submission of responses.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jillian Miller, Director, Office of Guidelines and Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, at: millerj@arts.gov.

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**NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**

**Sunshine Act Meetings Notice**

**DATE AND TIME:** Friday, February 23, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. Changes in date and/or time will be posted at www.nlrb.gov.

**PLACE:** Board Agenda Room, No. 5065, 1015 Half St. SE, Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Pursuant to § 102.139(a) of the Board’s Rules and Regulations, the Board or a panel thereof will consider “the issuance of a subpoena, the Board’s participation in a civil action or proceeding or an arbitration, or the initiation, conduct, or disposition . . . of particular representation or unfair labor practice proceedings under section 8, 9, or 10 of the [National Labor Relations] Act, or any court proceedings collateral or ancillary thereto.” See also 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(10).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gary Shinners, Executive Secretary, 1015 Half Street SE, Washington, DC 20570. Telephone: (202) 273–3737.


Roxanne Rothschild,
Deputy Executive Secretary, National Labor Relations Board.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[NRC–2018–0028]**

Draft Flood Penetration Seal Performance at Nuclear Power Plants; Literature Review (Task 1.1) and Test Methodology (Task 1.2)

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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A. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2018–0028 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:


To begin the search, select “ADAMS Public Documents” and then select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The draft Task 1.1, “Flood Penetration Seal Assemblies at Operating Nuclear Power Plants,” is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML18043B094. The draft Task 1.2, “Draft Methodology for Testing Flood Penetration Seals,” is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML18043B093.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC–2018–0028 in the subject line of your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC posts all comment submissions at http://www.regulations.gov as well as entering the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment submissions into ADAMS.

II. Discussion

The objective of this research project is to characterize flood penetration seals currently installed at nuclear power plants (NPPs) and to develop a draft test methodology that evaluates the effectiveness and performance of flood penetration seals in their installed configurations. This work will support NRC staff’s development and implementation of interim staff guidance on estimating the flooding potential of installed penetration seals and the amount of water flow through them. It will provide additional support to site-specific reviews of licensee flood hazard and mitigation strategy submittals.

There is currently no nationally recognized testing standard to evaluate the performance of penetration seals to prevent or limit flooding. This penetration seal flood test methodology is intended to support the evaluation of the flood mitigation performance of penetration seals that are installed to protect openings in barriers (walls/floors) that have been otherwise credited as having a flood resistance rating in support of a flood mitigation program at NPPs. In addition, a limited series of flood tests are to be conducted to assess the effectiveness and viability of the developed testing methodology.

Task 1 of this research project consists of two sub-tasks: Task 1.1 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18043B094) and Task 1.2 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18043B093). The first sub-task, Task 1.1, is a literature review of the various seal materials used for flood seal penetrations at NPPs. This summary includes information such as the size and shape of typical penetrations, the types of substrate medium, and the configurations of the penetrations to permit various piping through the penetrations. The primary source for much this literature review was the Publicly available information at ADAMS. Additional sources included plant engineering documents provided to the NRC, Licensee Event Reports (LERs), fire tests, information available from vendors, and other NRC generated documents such as NUREGs, Information Notices (INs), and Inspection Reports.

The second sub-task, Task 1.2, is a draft test methodology proposed for testing the effectiveness and performance of flood seal penetrations. Included within this draft test methodology is the proposed documentation of the testing procedures which itself includes the scope of the test, referenced documents, definition of terminologies, the significance and use of the test procedures, the specimens and test equipment, and the conduct of the test. The overall intent of this draft methodology and subsequent testing (Task 2) is to provide background research and knowledge for the NRC staff or industry that could be used to support the evaluation of the flood mitigation performance of penetration seals. This test methodology may also be used as a starting point or framework for the future development of an industry consensus standard.

The objective of Task 2 of this project will be to test the effectiveness and adaptability of the draft test methodology with a limited series of
flood tests. These flood tests will be conducted on a variety of candidate seal assemblies identified in Task 1.1. A technical letter report describing the testing and the test results will be the deliverable for Task 2. Upon the completion of the work in Tasks 1 and 2, a draft final report detailing the research conducted in Task 1 and 2 will be prepared. This final report is expected to be published as a NUREG document. This document is not intended for interim use. The NRC will review public comments received on the document, and incorporate suggested changes as appropriate. Consistent with past experimental programs, the final test methodology will be considered a living document.

Changes to the final test methodology can, and likely will be made during the testing phase as insights and observations from the testing develop that would suggest changes are necessary to ensure quality data from experiments is being obtained.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13th day of February, 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Mark Henry Salley,
Chief, Fire and External Hazard Analysis Branch, Division of Risk Analysis, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition or removal of a negotiated service agreement from the market dominant or the competitive product list, or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the market dominant or the competitive product list.

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, the title of each Postal Service request, the request’s acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each request.

The public portions of the Postal Service’s request(s) can be accessed via the Commission’s website (http://www.prc.gov). Non-public portions of the Postal Service’s request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3007.40.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service’s request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern market dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern competitive product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

II. Docketed Proceeding(s)

1. Docket No(s): CP2017–87; Filing Title: USPS Notice of Change in Prices Pursuant to Amendment to Priority Mail Contract 279; Filing Acceptance Date: February 13, 2018; Filing Authority: 39 CFR 3015.5; Public Representative: Curtis E. Kidd; Comments Due: February 21, 2018.

2. Docket No(s): CP2018–168; Filing Title: Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Expedited Package Services 9 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal; Filing Acceptance Date: February 13, 2018; Filing Authority: 39 CFR 3015.5; Public Representative: Curtis E. Kidd; Comments Due: February 21, 2018.


This Notice will be published in the Federal Register.

Stacy L. Ruble,
Secretary.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202–789–6820.