

Agreement State Radiation Control Programs" will be rescinded.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons may obtain a single copy of Management Directive 5.6 by writing Mr. George Deegan, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Mail Stop T8-F5, Washington, DC 20555.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kathleen N. Schneider, Office of State Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Document Control Desk, P1-37, Washington, DC 20555, telephone (301)-415-2320.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1994, NRC proposed a process to evaluate NRC Regional programs and Agreement State Radiation Control Programs, that regulate the use of radioactive materials, in an integrated manner using common performance indicators. The staff conducted a pilot program in 1994 with three Agreement States and two NRC Regional materials programs using the draft Management Directive 5.6, "Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program" (IMPEP). On June 27, 1995, the Commission approved implementation of IMPEP on an interim basis. The draft Management Directive is currently being prepared in final form.

Five common performance indicators, as described in Management Directive 5.6 will be used to determine adequacy of materials programs. Additionally, Compatibility of Regulations and Legal Authority (including enforcement) will be addressed as non-common indicators. Existing procedures for compatibility determinations (Office of State Programs B.7 Procedure) will continue to be utilized in connection with NRC findings on Compatibility of Regulations under IMPEP until the final implementing procedures for the policy statements: "Statement of Principles and Policy for the Agreement State Program" and "Policy Statement on the Adequacy and Compatibility of Agreement State Programs," and any revisions to these policy statements are approved by the Commission. The interim implementation of IMPEP will require the partial suspension of the May 28, 1992 General Statement of Policy "Guidelines for NRC Review of Agreement State Radiation Control Programs, 1992" (57 FR 22495). The NRC will only continue to apply the single program element of the 1992 General Statement of Policy entitled "Legislation and Regulations." NRC will rescind the entire 1992 General Statement of Policy upon final approval and implementation of the "Statement of Principles and Policy for the

Agreement State Program" and "Policy Statement on the Adequacy and Compatibility of Agreement State Programs."

Low-level waste, uranium mill or sealed source and device programs in Agreement States will not be reviewed as common performance indicators since NRC Headquarters conducts these NRC licensing activities. A performance-based evaluation approach, similar to that developed for the common performance indicators, will be utilized in reviews of NRC and Agreement State programs in these areas.

The NRC will review the performance of each Agreement State on a periodic basis. Each Agreement State evaluation will be coordinated with the States. For those Agreement States with program findings that are both adequate and compatible, the staff will consider extending the current review cycle of 2 years to 3-4 years.

Dated at Rockville Maryland this 19th day of October, 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John C. Hoyle,

Secretary of the Commission.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Request for a Collection of Information Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Customer Satisfaction Focus Groups and Surveys

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of request for OMB approval.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation has requested that the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") approve a new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of this information collection, which will be conducted through three focus group meetings and a small of number of surveys, is to help the PBGC evaluate its toll-free telephone service providing basic information about the PBGC insurance program.

DATES: The PBGC is requesting that OMB approve this request by November 1, 1995.

ADDRESSES: All written comments (at least three copies) should be addressed to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Pension Benefit Guaranty

Corporation, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503. The request for approval will be available for public inspection at the PBGC Communications and Public Affairs Department, suite 240, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marc L. Jordan, Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Suite 340, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024 (202-326-4179 for TTY and TDD). (These are not toll-free numbers.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) establishes policies and procedures for controlling the paperwork burdens imposed by Federal agencies on the public. The Act vests the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) with regulatory responsibility over these burdens, and OMB has promulgated rules on the clearance of collections of information by Federal agencies.

The PBGC has established a toll-free telephone service that gives the public general information concerning the PBGC's insurance program. Use of the toll-free service by the general public has been significantly below expectations.

The PBGC plans to conduct a series of three focus groups of 15 participants each, and to distribute survey questionnaires to the focus group participants and to 150 other individuals. (The 45 focus group participants and 150 survey respondents will be selected largely from the 41,000,000 participants and beneficiaries in covered pension plans.) The purpose of the focus groups and survey questionnaires is to evaluate the PBGC's toll-free service and to assist the PBGC in making necessary improvements to that service.

The PBGC estimates that the total annual burden of this collection of information will be 147.5 hours. The PBGC is requesting that OMB approve this collection on an emergency basis so that needed improvements in the toll-free service can be made as soon as possible.

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Martin Slate,

Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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