

the Code, shall not apply, effective December 1, 1998, to: (1) the cash sale of certain shares of preferred stock (the Preferred Stock) issued by TTC Holdings Inc. (TTC), by the individually-directed account of Dr. Edward Orrechio in the T/C Plan, by the individually-directed account of Michael Hart in the H/A Plan, and by the individually-directed account of Larry Peterson in the M/F Plan (collectively, the Accounts) to TTC, a party in interest with respect to the H/A Plan and M/F Plan; and (2) the arrangement for the subsequent purchase of certain shares of common stock (the Common Stock) issued by TTC by Messrs. Orecchio, Hart and Peterson (collectively; the Participants), in their own name, from TTC pursuant to an agreement with TTC that the purchase was to occur immediately after the sale of the Preferred Stock by the Plans to TTC; provided that the following conditions were met:

1. The sale of the Preferred Stock to TTC by the Accounts and the purchase of the Common Stock from TTC by the Participants, in their individual capacity, were one-time transactions for cash;

2. The transactions described in (1) above took place on the same business day;

3. The amount paid to the Accounts by TTC was the fair market value of the Preferred Stock, as determined by a qualified independent appraiser at the time of the sale;

4. The Participants, in their individual capacity, purchased from TTC shares of the Common Stock which were equal in number to the shares of Preferred Stock sold by the Accounts to TTC;

5. A qualified independent fiduciary (the Independent Fiduciary) determined that the transactions described herein were in the best interest and protective of the Accounts at the time of the transactions; and

6. The Independent Fiduciary supervised the transactions; assured that the conditions of this exemption were met; and took whatever actions were necessary to protect the interests of the Accounts, including reviewing amounts paid by TTC for the Preferred Stock.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This exemption is effective as of December 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ekaterina A. Uzlyan of the Department, telephone (202) 219-8883. (This is not a toll-free number.)

Sprinx Inc. Retirement Plan (the Plan) Located in Grand Prairie, Texas; Exemption

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 99-03; Exemption Application No. D-10660]

The restrictions of sections 406(a), 406(b)(1) and (b)(2) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1)(A) through (E) of the Code, shall not apply to: (1) the proposed loan of \$90,000 (the Loan) by the Plan to Sprinx, Inc. (the Employer), the sponsor of the Plan; and (2) the guarantee of repayment of the Loan by Harry D. Spring, a party in interest with respect to the Plan; provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

1. The Loan does not exceed 25% of the total assets of the Plan at any time;

2. The terms of the Loan are at least as favorable to the Plan as those terms which would exist in an arm's-length transaction with an unrelated party;

3. The Loan is secured by common stock issued by the Employer, which has a fair market value, as determined by an independent qualified appraiser, which will remain at least 200% of the outstanding principal balance of the Loan throughout its duration;

4. The Plan has a first priority perfected security interest in the Stock, which is properly filed and perfected under applicable state law;

5. The independent fiduciary reviews the terms and conditions of the Loan and determines that the Loan is in the best interest and protective of the Plan and its participants and beneficiaries;

6. The independent fiduciary monitors the Loan throughout its duration and takes whatever action is necessary to protect the interests of the Plan; and

7. The independent fiduciary monitors the parties' compliance with the terms and conditions of this exemption.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ekaterina A. Uzlyan of the Department, telephone (202) 219-8883. (This is not a toll-free number.)

General Information

The attention of interested persons is directed to the following:

(1) The fact that a transaction is the subject of an exemption under section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code does not relieve a fiduciary or other party in interest or disqualified person from certain other provisions to which the exemption does not apply and the general fiduciary responsibility provisions of section 404 of the Act, which among other things require a fiduciary to discharge his

duties respecting the plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan and in a prudent fashion in accordance with section 404(a)(1)(B) of the Act; nor does it affect the requirement of section 401(a) of the Code that the plan must operate for the exclusive benefit of the employees of the employer maintaining the plan and their beneficiaries;

(2) These exemptions are supplemental to and not in derogation of, any other provisions of the Act and/or the Code, including statutory or administrative exemptions and transactional rules. Furthermore, the fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and

(3) The availability of these exemptions is subject to the express condition that the material facts and representations contained in each application are true and complete and accurately describe all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption. In the case of continuing exemption transactions, if any of the material facts or representations described in the application change after the exemption is granted, the exemption will cease to apply as of the date of such change. In the event of any such change, application for a new exemption may be made to the Department.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 14th day of January, 1999.

Ivan Strasfeld,

Director of Exemption Determinations, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for expedited review and approval as required by the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by

calling the National Endowment for the Humanities, Assistant Director, Grants Office, Susan G. Daisey (202-606-8494) or may be requested by email to sdaisey@neh.fed.us. Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Humanities, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202-395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed above as soon as possible.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is particularly interested in comments which:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities.

Title of Proposal: My History is America's History Website.

OMB Number: To be assigned.

Frequency of Collection: Continual.

Affected Public: General Public.

Number of Respondents: Approximately 100,000 per year.

Estimated Time per Respondent: Approximately one hour per response.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 350,000.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: 0.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): 0.

Description: This submission requests expedited clearance from OMB in thirty days.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Susan G. Daisey, Assistant Director, Grants Office, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 311, Washington, D.C. 20506, or by email to:

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Juan Mestas,

Deputy Chairman.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Public Hearing

The National Transportation Safety Board will convene a public hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m., local time on Wednesday, February 17, 1999, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 400 SE 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33131-2197 concerning the Fire Aboard Cruise Ship *Ecstasy* on July 20, 1998. For more information, contact Donald Tyrrell, NTSB Office of Marine Safety at (202) 314-6455 or Ted Lopatkiewicz, NTSB Office of Public Affairs at (202) 314-6100.

Dated: January 14, 1999.

Rhonda Underwood,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-295/304-LA]

Commonwealth Edison Company (Zion Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2); Notice of Appointment of Adjudicatory Employee

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.4, notice is hereby given that Mr. Ronald A. Burrows, a Commission employee in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Division of Reactor Program Management, has been appointed as a Commission adjudicatory employee within the meaning of section 2.4, to advise the Commission regarding issues related to the pending appeal of LBP-98-27. Mr. Burrows has not previously performed any investigative or litigating function in connection with this or any factually-related proceeding. Until such time as a final decision is issued in this matter, interested persons outside the agency and agency employees performing investigative or litigating functions in this proceeding are required to observe the restrictions of 10 CFR 2.780 and 2.781 in their communications with Mr. Burrows.

It is so *Ordered*.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of January 1999.

For the Commission.

Annette Vietti-Cook,

Secretary of the Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Informal 10 CFR 2.206 Public Hearing

[Docket No. 50-458; License No. NPF-47] Entergy Operations, Inc.

[Docket No. 50-440; License No. NPF-58] FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will hold an informal public hearing regarding two petitions submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 involving the River Bend Station (RBS), operated by Entergy Operations, Incorporated, (the RBS licensee), and Perry Nuclear Power Plant (PNPP), Unit 1, operated by FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (the PNPP licensee). The hearing will be held on February 22, 1999. The location for the hearing will be at the NRC, room T-2B3. The NRC is located at 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The hearing will be open to public attendance and will be transcribed.

The structure of the hearing shall be as follows: Monday, February 22, 1999:

1:00 p.m.—NRC opening remarks
1:15 p.m.—Petitioner's presentation
2:00 p.m.—NRC questions
2:15 p.m.—RBS licensee's presentation
2:45 p.m.—NRC questions
3:00 p.m.—PNPP licensee's presentation
3:30 p.m.—NRC questions
3:45 p.m.—Public comments
4:30 p.m.—Licensees/Petitioner's final statements
4:45 p.m.—Meeting concludes

Note: All times are Eastern Standard Time (EST)

By letter dated September 25, 1998, the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS or Petitioner) submitted a Petition pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 requesting that the River Bend Station be immediately shut down and its operating license suspended or modified until the facility's design and licensing basis were updated to permit operation with failed fuel assemblies, or until all failed fuel assemblies were removed from the reactor core. The Petitioner also requested that a public hearing be held to discuss this matter in the Washington, D.C. area.

By letter dated November 9, 1998, the UCS also submitted a Petition pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 requesting that the Perry Nuclear Power Plant be immediately shut down and its