

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 and approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. The title of the information collection: NRC Form 445, "Request for Approval of Foreign Travel".
2. Current OMB approval number: None.
3. How often the collection is required: On occasion.
4. Who is required or asked to report: Contractors and consultants who travel to foreign countries in the course of conducting business for the NRC.
5. The number of annual respondents: 30.
6. The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 30.
7. Abstract: Information forwarded on NRC 445, Request for Approval of Foreign Travel, is supplied by consultants and contractors who travel to foreign countries in the course of conducting business for the NRC. In accordance with 48 CFR 20, "NRC Acquisition Regulation," contractors traveling to foreign countries are required to complete this form. The information requested includes the traveler's identifying information, travel dates, proposed itinerary, purpose of travel, a listing of the trip coordinators, endorsements and recommendations, estimated travel cost, concurrences, and approval by the Office Director, Regional Administrator or Chairman, as appropriate.

Submit, by April 19, 1999, 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 requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>). 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, by telephone at 301-415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at BJS1@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day of February 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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[Docket No. 40-3453-MLA-3, ASLBP No. 99-761-04-MLA]

Atlas Corporation; Designation of Presiding Officer

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the **Federal Register**, 37 FR 28,710 (1972), and Sections 2.1201 and 2.1207 of the Commission's Regulations, a single member of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel is hereby designated to rule on petitions for leave to intervene and/or requests for hearing and, if necessary, to serve as the Presiding Officer to conduct an informal adjudicatory hearing in the following proceeding.

Atlas Corporation, Moab, UT

The hearing, if granted, will be conducted pursuant to 10 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart L, of the Commission's Regulations, "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials and Operator Licensing Proceedings." This proceeding concerns a petition for leave to intervene submitted by a number of organizations and individuals, collectively identified as the Grand Canyon Trust. The

petitioners are requesting a hearing with respect to NRC's approval of the reclamation plan of the Atlas Corporation for its site near Moab, Utah. Of particular concern to the petitioners is the effect of the plan on the environment surrounding the Atlas site, including ground water and wildlife.

The Presiding Officer designated for this proceeding is Administrative Judge Thomas S. Moore. Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR §§ 2.722, 2.1209, Administrative Judge Frederick J. Shon has been appointed to assist the Presiding Officer in taking evidence and in preparing a suitable record for review.

All correspondence, documents and other materials shall be filed with Judge Moore and Judge Shon in accordance with 10 CFR § 2.1203. Their addresses are:

Administrative Judge Thomas S. Moore, Presiding Officer, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555

Administrative Judge Frederick J. Shon, Special Assistant, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555

Issued at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day of February 1999.

G. Paul Bollwerk, III,

Acting Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Weeks of February 15, 22, March 1, and 8, 1999.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of February 15

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of February 15.

Week of February 22—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of February 22.