NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2020-0220]

Information Collection: Fitness-for-Duty Programs

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Renewal of existing information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) invites public comment on the renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for an existing collection of information. The information collection is entitled, “Fitness-for-Duty Programs.”

DATES: Submit comments by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods; however, the NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal Rulemaking Web Site:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to https://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2020-0220. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

- **Mail comments to:** David Cullison, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Mail Stop: T-6 A10M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

  For additional direction on obtaining information and submitting comments, see “Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments” in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Cullison, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2084; e-mail: Infocollects.Resource@ncr.gov.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2020-0220 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:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site**: Go to https://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC-2020-0220. A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by accessing Docket ID NRC-2020-0220 on this Web site.

- **NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS)**: You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, 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 e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. Licensees and other entities can use three NRC Forms to report information under part 26 of title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) requirements: NRC Form 890, “Single Positive Test Form,” NRC Form 891, “Annual Reporting Form for Drug and Alcohol Tests,” and NRC Form 892, “Annual Fatigue Reporting Form.” A copy of NRC Forms 890, 891 and 892 may be obtained without charge by accessing ADAMS Accession Nos. ML20209A550, ML20209A388, and ML18214A192, respectively. The supporting statement and burden change spreadsheet are available in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML20213C286 and ML20213C285.

- **Attention**: The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of public documents is currently closed. You may submit your request to the PDR via e-mail at PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1-800-397-4209 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
• **NRC’s Clearance Officer:** A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by contacting NRC’s Clearance Officer, David Cullison, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2084; e-mail: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

B. Submitting Comments

The NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the Federal Rulemaking Web Site (https://www.regulations.gov). Please include Docket ID **NRC-2020-0220** in the subject line of your comment submission, in order to ensure that the NRC is able to make your comment submission available to the public in this docket.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information in comment submissions that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at https://www.regulations.gov as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS, and 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 into ADAMS.

II. Background

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the NRC is requesting public comment on its intention to request the OMB’s approval for the information collection summarized below.

1. **The title of the information collection:** 10 CFR part 26, “Fitness-for-Duty Programs.”
2. **OMB approval number:** 3150-0146.

3. **Type of submission:** Extension.

4. **The form number, if applicable:** NRC Form 890, “Single Positive Test Form,” NRC Form 891, “Annual Reporting Form for Drug and Alcohol Tests,” and NRC Form 892, “Annual Fatigue Reporting Form.”

5. **How often the collection is required or requested:** Annually and on occasion. The NRC receives reports on an annual basis that detail fitness-for-duty (FFD) program performance. The NRC also receives, on occasion, reports associated with FFD policy violations or programmatic failures. Depending on the type of violation or programmatic failure, the report would be made within 24 hours of the event occurrence, or within 30 days of completing an investigation into a programmatic failure.

6. **Who will be required or asked to respond:** Nuclear power reactor licensees licensed under 10 CFR parts 50 and 52 (except those who have permanently ceased operations and have verified that fuel has been permanently removed from the reactor); all holders of nuclear power plant construction permits and early site permits with a limited work authorization and applicants for nuclear power plant construction permits that have a limited work authorization under the provisions of 10 CFR part 50; all holders of a combined license for a nuclear power plant issued under 10 CFR part 52 and applicants for a combined license that have a limited work authorization; all licensees who are authorized to possess, use, or transport formula quantities of strategic special nuclear material (SSNM) under the provisions of 10 CFR part 70; all holders of a certificate of compliance of an approved compliance plan issued under 10 CFR part 76, if the holder engages in activities involving formula quantities of SSNM; and all contractor/ vendors (C/Vs) who implement FFD programs or program elements to the extent that the licensees and other entities listed in this paragraph rely

7. **The estimated number of annual responses:** 378,286 responses (306 reporting responses + 46 recordkeepers + 377,934 third-party disclosure responses).
8. The estimated number of annual respondents: 72,770 respondents (25 drug and alcohol testing programs + 21 fatigue management programs + 72,724 third party respondents).

9. The estimated number of hours needed annually to comply with the information collection requirement or request: 616,636.

10. Abstract: The NRC regulations in 10 CFR part 26 prescribe requirements to establish, implement, and maintain FFD programs at affected licensees and other entities. The objectives of these requirements are to provide reasonable assurance that persons subject to the rule are trustworthy, reliable, and not under the influence of any substance, legal or illegal, or mentally or physically impaired from any cause, which in any way could adversely affect their ability to safely and competently perform their duties. These requirements also provide reasonable assurance that the effects of fatigue and degraded alertness on individual’s abilities to safely and competently perform their duties are managed commensurate with maintaining public health and safety. The information collections required by part 26 are necessary to properly manage FFD programs and to enable effective and efficient regulatory oversight of affected licensees and other entities. These licensees and other entities must perform certain tasks, maintain records, and submit reports to comply with part 26 drug and alcohol and fatigue management requirements. These records and reports are necessary to enable regulatory inspection and evaluation of a licensee’s or other entity’s compliance with NRC regulations, FFD performance, and significant FFD-related events to help maintain public health and safety, promote the common defense and security, and protect the environment.

III. Specific Requests for Comments

The NRC is seeking 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 estimate of the burden of the information collection 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 on respondents be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?


For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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