NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Information Collection: NRC Form 446, “Request for Approval of Official Foreign Travel by Non-Government Personnel”

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission to the Office of Management and Budget; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted a proposed collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The information collection is entitled, NRC Form 446, “Request for Approval of Official Foreign Travel by Non-Government Personnel.”

DATES: Submit comments by [INSERT DATE 30 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: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Cullison, NRC Clearance Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2084; e-mail: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2020-0024 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-2020-0024.

- **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. A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by accessing ADAMS Accession No. ML20310A196.

- **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 the 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-2020-0024 in your comment submission.

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. 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 OMB, 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 comment submissions are not routinely edited to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

II. Background

Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the NRC recently submitted a proposed collection of information to OMB for review entitled, NRC Form 446, “Request for Approval of International Foreign Travel by Non-Government Personnel.” The NRC hereby informs potential respondents that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and that a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The NRC published a Federal Register notice with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on August 27, 2020, (85 FR 53023).

1. The title of the information collection: NRC Form 446, “Request for Approval of Official Foreign Travel by Non-Government Personnel.”

2. OMB approval number: An OMB control number has not yet been assigned to this proposed information collection.

3. Type of submission: New.

4. The form number if applicable: NRC Form 446.

5. How often the collection is required or requested: As Needed.

6. Who will be required or asked to respond: Individuals who are not federal employees or individuals requesting official international travel on behalf of the NRC that is not being requested under the provisions of an active NRC contract.

7. The estimated number of annual responses: 1.
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9. An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to comply with the information collection requirement or request: 1.

10. Abstract: The information collected on NRC Form 446 is required to justify and receive approval for official international travel by individuals who are not federal employees or who are not traveling under the provisions of an active NRC contract. The information collected is required to coordinate with and obtain approval from the appropriate U.S. Department of State Chief of Mission. Absent the collected information, the official travel may not be approved.


For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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