

Commission and State programs for protection against hazards of radiation will be coordinated and compatible. The State agrees to cooperate with the Commission and other Agreement States in the formulation of standards and regulatory programs of the State and the Commission for protection against hazards of radiation and will assure that the State's program will continue to be compatible with the program of the Commission for the regulation of materials covered by this Agreement.

The State and the Commission agree to keep each other informed of proposed changes in their respective rules and regulations, and to provide each other the opportunity for early and substantive contribution to the proposed changes.

The State and the Commission agree to keep each other informed of events, accidents, and licensee performance that may have generic implication or otherwise be of regulatory interest.

Article VII

The Commission and the State agree that it is desirable to provide reciprocal recognition of licenses for the materials listed in Article I licensed by the other party or by any other agreement state. Accordingly, the Commission and the State agree to develop appropriate rules, regulations, and procedures by which such reciprocity will be accorded.

Article VIII

The Commission, upon its own initiative after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing to the State, or upon request of the Governor of the State, may terminate or suspend all or part of this agreement and reassert the licensing and regulatory authority vested in it under the Act if the Commission finds that (1) such termination or suspension is required to protect public health and safety, or (2) the State has not complied with one or more of the requirements of section 274 of the Act. The Commission may also, pursuant to section 274j of the Act, temporarily suspend all or part of this agreement if, in the judgement of the Commission, an emergency situation exists requiring immediate action to protect public health and safety and the State has failed to take necessary steps. The Commission shall periodically review this Agreement and actions taken by the State under this Agreement to ensure compliance with section 274 of the Act which requires a State program to be adequate to protect public health and safety with respect to the materials covered by the Agreement and to be compatible with the Commission's program.

Article IX

This Agreement shall become effective on July 1, 2003, and shall remain in effect unless and until such time as it is terminated pursuant to Article VIII.

Done in Madison, Wisconsin this ** day of June, 2003.

For the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Nils J. Diaz,
Chairman.

For the State of Wisconsin.

Jim Doyle,
Governor.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Office of Federal Financial Management; Standard Data Elements for Federal Grant Applications

AGENCY: Office of Federal Financial Management (OFFM), Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

ACTION: Notice of proposed requirement to establish standard data elements.

SUMMARY: OMB proposes (1) to establish a standard set of data elements and definitions as found on the SF-424, plus five additional data elements for Federal agencies and grant applicants to use on both paper and electronic applications for discretionary grants, and (2) to require a new assurance statement to replace the current assurances found on the SF-424. The Federal E-Grants initiative calls for the development of a one-stop, electronic grant portal where potential grant recipients will receive full service electronic grant administration as part of the implementation of the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999 (Pub. L. 106-107).

The grantee community is familiar with most of the data elements, which have been required by Standard Form (SF) 424, "Application for Federal Assistance," SF-424A, Budget Information Non-Construction; SF-424B, Assurances—Non-Construction Programs; SF-424C, Budget Information Construction Programs, and SF-424D, Assurances—Construction Programs. OMB is adding the following five new standard data elements to those already appearing on the current SF-424 and will revise the form accordingly. The five new standard data elements being added are:

(1) Requesting entity's universal identifier (see proposal to use the Duns

Universal Numbering System (DUNS) in the October 30, 2002 **Federal Register**, Vol. 67, No. 210, pp. 66177-66178;

(2) Requesting entity's e-mail address;

(3) Requesting entity's country location for address purposes;

(4) Requesting entity's facsimile (Fax) number; and

(5) Requesting entity's indicator for "Not-For-Profit" under "Type of Applicant" based upon how the entity is classified with the Internal Revenue Service.

The use of government-wide standard data elements by grant applicants and the Federal agencies that award discretionary grants or cooperative agreements establishes the data standard for grant applications submitted via the E-Grants portal grant application software known as E-Apply. In order to establish data standards, this Notice also identifies how the data will be transmitted for E-Apply. The proposed electronic transmission of the data set is to use the conventions established by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) 194 Data Transaction Set. These data elements will be incorporated into the first version of E-Apply, scheduled for release in October 2003, which will permit applicants to apply electronically for Federal grants.

The consolidated assurance statement, which is being proposed to replace the current assurances found on the SF-424B and SF-424D, is designed to provide a streamlined way for Federal agencies to obtain assurance about compliance with applicable requirements. OMB believes the addition of the consolidated assurance statement will allow applicants to proceed through the application process in a more efficient manner. Only at time of award would the grantee address any specific agency assurances that are incorporated in the award and are above and beyond the standard assurances.

DATES: Comments on the proposed data elements, definitions and consolidated assurance statement must be submitted by June 9, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Due to potential delays in OMB's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, we encourage respondents to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt. We cannot guarantee that comments mailed will be received before the comment closing date.

Electronic mail comments may be submitted to: sswab@omb.eop.gov. Please include "Standard Data Elements Comments" in the subject line and put the full body of your comments in the text of the electronic message and as an attachment. Please include your name,