

II. Further Information

The NRC will publish subsequent **Federal Register** notices addressing the acceptability of the tendered ESP renewal application for docketing and provisions for participation of the public in the ESP renewal process. These notices of the receipt of the application are being provided once each week for four consecutive weeks.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: July 31, 2026.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2026-1519]

Information Collection: Access Authorization

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, "Access Authorization."

DATES: Submit comments by October 5, 2026. 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: Submit your comments, identified by NRC-2026-1519, electronically through the Federal rulemaking website:

- *Federal rulemaking website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2026-1519. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301-415-1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

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: Kristen Benney, Office of the Chief

Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-6355; email: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2026-1519 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 Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2026-1519. A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by accessing Docket ID NRC-2026-1519 on this website.

- *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 ADAMS Public Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, at 301-415-4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by accessing ADAMS Accession Nos. ML23047A408 and ML22235A728. The supporting statement and burden tables are available by accessing ADAMS Accession Nos. ML26111A170 and ML26111A172.

- *NRC's PDR:* The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Eastern Time (ET), 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, Kristen Benney, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-6355; email: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

B. Submitting Comments

The NRC encourages electronic comment submission through the

Federal rulemaking website (<https://www.regulations.gov>). Please include Docket ID NRC-2026-1519, 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. All comment submissions are posted at <https://www.regulations.gov> and entered into ADAMS. Comment submissions are not routinely edited 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 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

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 as follows.

1. *The title of the information collection:* Part 25 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, "Access Authorization."

2. *OMB approval number:* 3150-0046.

3. *Type of submission:* Extension.

4. *The form number, if applicable:* Not applicable.

5. *How often the collection is required or requested:* On occasion.

6. *Who will be required or asked to respond:* NRC-regulated facilities and other organizations requiring access to NRC-classified information, and NRC contractors with access to classified information or who hold a sensitive position.

7. *The estimated number of annual responses:* 534 (456 reporting responses plus 78 recordkeepers).

8. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 300.

9. *The estimated number of hours needed annually to comply with the information collection requirement or request:* 226 hours (160 hours reporting + 66 hours recordkeeping).

10. *Abstract:* NRC collects information on individuals in order to determine their eligibility for an NRC access authorization for access to classified information. NRC-regulated facilities and other organizations are

required to provide information to the NRC when requested on the cleared individual and maintain records to ensure that only individuals with the adequate level of protection are provided access to NRC classified information and material.

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? Please explain your answer.

2. Is the estimate of the burden of the information collection accurate? Please explain your answer.

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?

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: August 3, 2026.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Kristen Benney,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. PI2020-1; Order No. 9670]

Public Inquiry

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is acknowledging the granting of a Postal Service motion and the extension of both comment deadlines in this proceeding.

DATES: *Comments are due:* September 30, 2026. *Reply comments are due:* October 14, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit responses electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot submit responses electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Discussion of Motion

On June 26, 2026, in Order No. 9625, the Commission set the scope of further proceedings in the instant public inquiry docket and provided an opportunity for interested persons to submit comments within the scope of these further proceedings.¹ In doing so, the Commission established deadlines for the submission of comments and reply comments. *See* Order No. 9625 at 13. On July 30, 2026, the Postal Service filed a motion requesting that each of these deadlines be extended by 30 days.² According to the Postal Service, “[t]he additional time is being requested due to the magnitude of data requiring review . . . and to afford the Postal Service the opportunity to adequately evaluate that information and present its comments in a manner most helpful to all parties involved.” Postal Service Motion for Extension at 1.

The Rural Carrier Protection & Accountability Alliance (RCPAA) filed an objection to the extension and requests that the extension be denied or, if extraordinary circumstances are found to exist, that any extension be limited to 7 days.³ RCPAA asserts that the Postal Service had not affirmatively shown good cause and instead made a generalized assertion regarding the magnitude of data to review. RCPAA Objection to Extension at 1. RCPAA asserts that reviewing Postal Service data and non-public materials does not warrant an additional 30 days. *Id.* at 2. RCPAA asserts that granting the requested extension would compress the reply opportunity for other participants and negatively affect their ability to meaningfully review and

¹ Order on the Scope of Further Proceedings, Notice of Filing of Library References PRC-LR-PI2020-1-NP3 and PRC-LR-PI2020-1-1, and Request for Comments, June 26, 2026 (Order No. 9625). The issues for consideration in the further proceedings in the instant docket are: (1) the use of Rural Route Evaluated Compensation System (RRECS) data in the methodology for estimating the value of the postal monopoly and mailbox monopoly (Estimation Methodology); and (2) the Estimation Methodology workpapers issued together with Order No. 9625 in non-public Library Reference PRC-LR-PI2020-1-NP3 and in public Library Reference PRC-LR-PI2020-1-1. Order No. 9625 at 8. The “postal monopoly” refers to the Postal Service’s combined letter and mailbox monopolies. *See id.* at 1.

² Motion for Extension of Time to File Comments Responsive to Order No. 9625, July 30, 2026 (Postal Service Motion for Extension).

³ Rural Carrier Protection & Accountability Alliance Objection to USPS Motion for Extension of Time, July 31, 2026, at 4 (RCPAA Objection to Extension).

respond to the Postal Service’s filing. *Id.* at 3. RCPAA asserts that stakeholders have relied on the established schedule and some have submitted early comments. *Id.*

Rule 162 permits any person to seek an extension by motion filed before the applicable deadline expires. 39 CFR 3010.162(a)–(b). “The motion shall only be granted upon consideration of the potential adverse impact, if any, on other participants and the overall impact on the procedural schedule.” 39 CFR 3010.162(c).

The Postal Service’s motion is timely. Therefore, the Commission evaluates potential adverse impacts on other participants and on the procedural schedule, including participants’ ability to provide meaningful comment.

RCPAA’s primary objection focuses on the sufficiency of the Postal Service’s justification. The Commission’s library references accompanying Order No. 9625 contain the Commission’s analysis of the FY 2024 Value of the Postal and Mailbox Monopolies as well as files used in the application of the Estimation Methodology. These library references are voluminous and complex. As Order No. 9625 explains, the goal of this proceeding is to determine whether and how to enhance the Estimation Methodology; broader RRECS concerns are relevant only insofar as they directly bear on that goal. *See* Order No. 9625 at 9. The Postal Service represents that, given the magnitude of the data requiring review, an extension is necessary to allow adequate evaluation and to provide helpful comments. *See* Motion for Extension at 1. That justification aligns with the proceeding’s stated goal and Rule 162(c).⁴

Given the volume of materials and the technical focus, a modest, time-limited extension will improve the quality and completeness of the record and aid Commission decision-making without materially disrupting the schedule. Reviewing the Commission’s library references requires not only re-reading Postal Service information but correctly applying it to the topics within the established scope to prepare written comments. This is the first request to extend the deadlines established by Order No. 9625, and a 30-day extension for both initial and reply comments is reasonable. Granting the requested extension affords all participants additional time to prepare both initial and reply comments.

⁴ RCPAA writes “[u]nder 39 [CFR] 3010.162, an extension requires an affirmative showing of good cause.” RCPAA Objection to Extension at 1. This language does not appear in the text of 39 CFR 3010.162.