

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Dated this 4th day of April 2001 at
Rockville, Maryland.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Additional Scoping Meeting for the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory
Commission.

ACTION: Notice of additional scoping
meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) announces its intent to conduct an additional scoping meeting associated with the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for construction, operation and deactivation of a proposed Mixed Oxide (MOX) Fuel Fabrication Facility (Facility) to be constructed at the Department of Energy's (DOE) Savannah River Site (SRS) in South Carolina. The NRC published a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the mixed oxide fuel fabrication facility (NOI) in the **Federal Register** on March 7, 2001 (66 FR 13794). The NOI announced two meetings on April 17 and 18, 2001, in North Augusta, South Carolina, and Savannah, Georgia, respectively. In addition to these meetings, we will hold a scoping meeting on May 8, 2001, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

DATES: The public scoping process required by the National Environmental Policy Act began with publication of the NOI in the **Federal Register** and continues until May 21, 2001. Written comments submitted by mail should be postmarked by that date to ensure consideration. Comments mailed after that date will be considered to the extent practical.

The public scoping meetings are to assist the NRC in defining the appropriate scope of the EIS, including the significant environmental issues to be addressed. The meeting dates, times and locations are listed below. Prior to the Scoping Meetings, NRC staff will be available to informally discuss the MOX project and answer questions in an "open house" format.

April 17, 2001

North Augusta Community Center, 496
Brookside Drive, North Augusta, SC,

Scoping Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m. to
10:00 p.m., Open House Time: 5:30
p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

April 18, 2001

Coastal Georgia Center, 305 Martin
Luther King Boulevard, Savannah,
GA, Scoping Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.
to 10:00 p.m., Open House Time: 5:30
p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

May 8, 2001

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government
Center, 600 E. Fourth Street,
Charlotte, NC, Scoping Meeting Time:
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Open House
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: To register for a meeting, to provide comments or suggestions on the scope of the EIS, or to make requests for special arrangements to enable participation at scoping meetings (e.g., an interpreter for the hearing impaired), please contact: Tim Harris at (301) 415-6613 or Betty Garrett at (301) 415-5808.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general or technical information pertaining to the proposed MOX Facility, please contact: Tim Johnson at (301) 415-7299 or Andrew Persinko at (301) 415-6522. For general information on the NRC environmental review process, please contact: Jennifer Davis at (301) 415-5874 or Tim Harris at (301) 415-6613.

Availability of Documents for Review

Information and documents associated with the MOX project, including the Duke Cogema Stone & Webster Environmental Report submitted in December 2000, and the Construction Authorization Request, may be obtained from the internet on NRC's MOX web page: <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NMSS/MOX/index.html> (case sensitive). In addition, documents are available for public review through our electronic reading room: <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>. Documents may also be obtained from NRC's Public Document Room at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Public Document Room, Washington, DC 20555.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Scoping Meetings

One purpose of the NOI and this notice is to encourage public involvement in the EIS process and to solicit public comments on the proposed scope and content of the EIS.

Scoping is an early and open process designed to determine the range of actions, alternatives, and potential impacts to be considered in the EIS, and

to identify the significant issues related to the proposed action. It is intended to solicit input from the public and other agencies so that the analysis can be more clearly focused on issues of genuine concern. The principal goals of the scoping process are to:

- Ensure that concerns are identified early and are properly studied;
- Identify alternatives that will be examined;
- Identify significant issues that need to be analyzed;
- Eliminate unimportant issues; and
- Identify public concerns.

Scoping Comments

Written comments may be mailed to Mike Lesar, Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mail Stop T6D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555. Interested parties may e-mail comments to teh@nrc.gov. Comments also will be accepted by fax at 301-415-5398, Attention: Tim Harris.

Following the scoping meetings, NRC will make the scoping summaries available for public review through our electronic reading room: <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>. The scoping meeting summaries will also be available on the NRC's MOX web page: <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/NMSS/MOX/index.html> (case sensitive).

The NEPA Process

The EIS for the MOX Facility will be prepared according to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and NRC's NEPA Implementing Regulations (10 CFR part 51).

The draft EIS is scheduled to be published in February 2002. A 45-day comment period on the draft EIS is planned, and public meetings to receive comments will be held approximately three weeks after distribution of the draft EIS. Availability of the draft EIS, the dates of the public comment period, and information about the public meetings will be announced in the **Federal Register**, on NRC's MOX web page, and in the local news media when the draft EIS is distributed. The final EIS, which will incorporate public comments received on the draft EIS, is expected in September 2002.

Signed in Rockville, MD, this 5th day of April 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Sandra Wastler,
*Acting Chief, Environmental and
 Performance Assessment Branch, Division of
 Waste Management, Office of Nuclear
 Material Safety and Safeguards.*
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Appointments to performance review boards for senior executive service

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory
Commission.

ACTION: Appointment to Performance
Review Boards for Senior Executive
Service.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
Commission (NRC) has announced the
following appointments to the NRC
Performance Review Boards.

The following individuals are
appointed as members of the NRC
Performance Review Board (PRB)
responsible for making
recommendations to the appointing and
awarding authorities on performance
appraisal ratings and performance
awards for Senior Executives and Senior
Level Service members:

Patricia G. Norry, Deputy Executive
Director for Management Services
R. William Borchardt, Associate
Director for Inspection and Programs,
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Stephen G. Burns, Deputy General
Counsel, Office of the General
Counsel
Margaret V. Federline, Deputy Director,
Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and
Safeguards
Jesse L. Funches, Chief Financial Officer
Jon R. Johnson, Deputy Director, Office
of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Arnold E. Levin, Director, Applications
Development Division, Office of the
Chief Information Officer
Paul H. Lohaus, Director, Office of State
and Tribal Programs
Hubert J. Miller, Regional
Administrator, Region I
Michael L. Springer, Director, Office of
Administration
Roy P. Zimmerman, Director, Office of
Nuclear Regulatory Research

The following individuals will serve
as members of the NRC PRB Panel that
was established to review appraisals
and make recommendations to the
appointing and awarding authorities for
NRC PRB members:

Karen D. Cyr, General Counsel, Office of
the General Counsel
William F. Kane, Deputy Executive
Director for Reactor Programs, Office

of the Executive Director for
Operations
Carl J. Paperiello, Deputy Executive
Director for Materials, Research and
State Programs, Office of the
Executive Director for Operations
All appointments are made pursuant
to Section 4314 of Chapter 43 of Title
5 of the United States Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 11, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carolyn J. Swanson, Secretary,
Executive Resources Board, U.S.
Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
Washington, DC 20555, (301) 415-7530.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day
of April 2001.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
Commission.

Carolyn J. Swanson,
Secretary,

Executive Resources Board

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Excepted Service

AGENCY: Office of Personnel
Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This gives notice of positions
placed under Schedule C in the
excepted service, as required by Civil
Service Rule VI, Exceptions from the
Competitive Service.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pam
Shivery, Director, Washington Service
Center (202) 606-1015.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office
of Personnel Management published its
last monthly notice updating appointing
authorities established or revoked under
the Excepted Service provisions of 5
CFR 213 on February 22, 2001 (66 FR
11189). Individual authorities
established under Schedule C between
January 1, 2001, and January 31, 2001,
appear in the listing below. Future
notices will be published on the fourth
Tuesday of each month, or as soon as
possible thereafter. A consolidated
listing of all authorities as of June 30, is
published each year.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C authorities
were established during January 2001:

Commission on Civil Rights

Special Assistant to the Staff Director.
Effective January 18, 2001.

Department of Commerce

Special Assistant to the Director,
Office of Business Liaison. Effective
January 8, 2001.

Deputy Director of Advance to the
Deputy Chief of Staff for External
Affairs. Effective January 8, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Director,
Office of Public Affairs and Press
Secretary. Effective January 11, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Director,
Office of Business Liaison. Effective
January 11, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Director of
Public Affairs and Press Secretary.
Effective January 12, 2001.

Confidential Assistant to the Deputy
Chief of Staff for External Affairs.
Effective January 16, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Deputy
Assistant Secretary, Domestic
Operations. Effective January 16, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Director,
White House Liaison. Effective January
17, 2001.

Senior Advisor to the Director,
Secretariat for Electronic Commerce.
Effective January 18, 2001.

Department of Education

Confidential Assistant to the Deputy
Assistant Secretary for
Intergovernmental and Constituent
Relations. Effective January 2, 2001.

Department of Energy

Special Assistant to the Under
Secretary. Effective January 12, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Director,
Office of Management and
Administration. Effective January 12,
2001.

Special Assistant to the Director,
Office of Management and
Administration. Effective January 12,
2001.

Special Assistant to the Assistant
Secretary for Fossil Energy. Effective
January 12, 2001.

Special Assistant for Communications
to the Assistant Secretary for
Environmental Management. Effective
January 12, 2001.

Director of Communications to the
Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy
Efficiency and Renewable Energy.
Effective January 12, 2001.

Special Assistant to the Director,
Office of Policy. Effective January 17,
2001.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Staff Assistant to the Director of
Executive Scheduling. Effective January
4, 2001.

Department of Labor

Special Assistant to the Assistant
Secretary, Occupational Safety and