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**Comments Submission Information:** You may submit comments during the webcast meeting via telephone or e-mail. The call-in telephone number, which may be used only *DURING* the live webcast, is 202-708-0995. The e-mail address for comments, which should be used only *DURING* the webcast is [HUDTV@HUD.GOV](mailto:HUDTV@HUD.GOV). The e-mail address for comments after the webcast is [GPCWebcast@nsf.gov](mailto:GPCWebcast@nsf.gov). You may submit after webcast comments via e-mail through close of business Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This webcast meeting has been made possible by the cooperation of the National Science Foundation, HUD, and the GPC.

**Webcast Materials:** Webcast materials including the agenda, the GPC's draft Strategic Plan, its list of potential future projects, webcast meeting slides, and feedback form are posted under the October 30, 2007 meeting materials. [http://www.grants.gov/aboutgrants/grants\\_news.jsp](http://www.grants.gov/aboutgrants/grants_news.jsp).

**Purpose of the webcast meeting:** The purpose of the webcast meeting is to receive public input on the draft strategic plan of the GPC. Specifically, the Committee seeks stakeholder input into the language describing the mission, vision, goals, and objectives of the GPC. The Committee will also seek input from the public regarding a list of *potential future products* that the GPC may undertake in order to implement its strategy. This draft list will present examples of possible products the GPC might undertake in order to implement its Strategic Plan. The list is not intended to represent a comprehensive list of all possible GPC products, nor does the list guarantee that the GPC will produce all of the listed products.

The webcast materials are being offered to stimulate public input into the GPC's long-term planning and prioritization efforts and to receive input from stakeholders to inform government efforts as they relate to streamlining and stewardship of federal

policy and practice relating to grants, cooperative agreements, and federal financial assistance.

**Meeting structure and agenda:** The October 30 webcast meeting will have the following structure and agenda:

- (1) Welcome by the host agency;
- (2) Presentation of Draft Strategic Plan by the Chair of the GPC;
- (3) Presentation of list of *potential future products* by the Chair of the GPC;
- (4) Participants' discussion, questions and comments.

**Background:** Background about the FGSI is set forth in the **Federal Register** published on September 13, 2006 (71 FR 54098).

Dated: October 3, 2007.

**Thomas Cooley,**

*Chair, Grants Policy Committee of the U.S. Chief Financial Officer Council.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Notice of Intent To Establish Independent External Review Panel To Identify Vulnerabilities in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Material Licensing Program

**AGENCY:** U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** This notice is to announce the NRC intends to establish a new advisory committee.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is chartering a new advisory committee. This action is being taken in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, after consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration. The committee, designated as the Independent External Review Panel to Identify Vulnerabilities in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Material Licensing Program is being tasked to respond to the NRC Office of the Inspector General (OIG) recommendation (OIG-07-A-12), "\* \* \* that the Executive Director for Operations convene an independent panel of experts external to the agency to identify agency vulnerabilities concerning NRC's material licensing and tracking programs and validate the agency's ongoing byproduct material security efforts." The OIG report also stated, "Such an assessment should necessarily include examination of the management, operational, and technical security controls and the extent to

which these controls are: (1) Implemented correctly, (2) operating as intended, and (3) producing the desired outcome with respect to mitigating security vulnerabilities."

In responding to this recommendation, the panel will include in its review an assessment of the existing and potential security vulnerabilities related to NRC's specific, import, export and general license programs. The panel is to also evaluate the apparent good-faith presumption that pervades the NRC licensing process (See Recommendation S-1 in the Action Plan).

The panel is expected to develop an agenda and plan for the review; this plan will include, as a minimum, assessment of pre-licensing guidance, licensing procedures, the licensing process, possession limits on licenses, and license reviewer training and oversight. The panel will document each significant issue identified and make appropriate recommendations and propose corrective actions.

The panel is being asked to complete and submit a report with recommendations to the Director of the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs by January 31, 2008. In addition to documenting its recommendations and the bases for those recommendations, the panel will be asked to document other options that were considered and the reasons for not adopting them.

**For Further Information Please Contact:** Aaron McCraw (301-415-1277) [ATM@NRC.GOV](mailto:ATM@NRC.GOV), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

Dated: October 3, 2007.

**Andrew L. Bates,**

*Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 070-00371 (Retired and Terminated)]

### Notice of Consideration of Approval and Acceptance of the Decommissioning Plan for the Formerly Licensed United Nuclear Corporation—Naval Products Division New Haven, CT, License No. Snm-368 (Retired and Terminated) and Opportunity To Request a Hearing

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of a decommissioning plan and opportunity to request a hearing.

**DATES:** A request for a hearing must be filed by October 10, 2007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Laurie Kauffman, Project Manager, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region I, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, King of Prussia, PA 19406. Telephone: (610) 337-5323; fax number: (610) 337-5269; or e-mail: [lap@nrc.gov](mailto:lap@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Introduction**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering approval of a Decommissioning Plan (DP) for Special Nuclear Materials License Number SNM-368 (Terminated). This license was held by United Nuclear Corporation—Naval Products (UNC) (the former licensee) for its facilities located in New Haven and Montville, Connecticut.

In 1974, UNC closed the New Haven facility and transferred the radioactive materials inventory to the Montville site. The New Haven site was decontaminated and decommissioned from 1973 through 1976, and final radiological surveys were completed in 1976. The license was amended to remove the New Haven facility on April 22, 1976, and the site was released for unrestricted use in accordance with the existing regulations and guidance. Following the subsequent decontamination and decommissioning of the Montville site, the SNM-368 license was terminated on June 8, 1994.

In the early 1990s, the NRC initiated a program to ensure that past licenses had been terminated in accordance with the NRC's current release criteria for unrestricted use and contracted with the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) to perform the review. During the review, ORNL identified that the New Haven facility did not have sufficient documentation to verify that the facility had been properly decontaminated prior to release. The NRC and Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) conducted radiological surveys of the site in 1996 and determined that uranium contaminated soil remained at the New Haven facility with contamination levels which exceeded the 30 picoCuries/gram in soil or sediment limit established in the 1981 Branch Technical Position for "Disposal or Onsite Storage of Thorium or Uranium Wastes from Past Operations."

The former licensee conducted additional characterization activities

and resolved funding issues to allow for completion of the facility remediation and submitted a DP to the NRC by a letter dated June 7, 2005. UNC submitted its Final Status Survey Plan (FSSP) to supplement the DP on October 4, 2006. Before approving the proposed DP, the NRC needs to make the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and NRC's regulations. These findings will be documented in an Environmental Assessment in accordance with the requirements of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 51 (10 CFR Part 51).

**II. Opportunity To Request a Hearing**

The NRC hereby provides notice that this is a proceeding on an action regarding decommissioning of the United Nuclear Corporation—Naval Products site for its facilities located in New Haven, Connecticut. In accordance with the general requirements in Subpart C of 10 CFR Part 2, as amended on January 14, 2004 (69 FR 2182), any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who desires to participate as a party must file a written request for a hearing and a specification of the contentions which the person seeks to have litigated in the hearing.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.302 (a), a request for a hearing must be filed with the Commission either by:

1. First class mail addressed to: Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications;

2. Courier, express mail, and expedited delivery services: Office of the Secretary, Sixteenth Floor, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., Federal workdays;

3. E-mail addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, [HEARINGDOCKET@NRC.GOV](mailto:HEARINGDOCKET@NRC.GOV); or

4. By facsimile transmission addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, at (301) 415-1101; verification number is (301) 415-1666.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.302(b), all documents offered for filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all parties to the proceeding or their attorneys of record as required by law or by rule or order of the Commission, including:

1. United Nuclear Corporation—Naval Products, 20 Research Parkway, Unit E,

Old Saybrook, CT 06475, Attention: Robert Bonito, General Manager of Operations; and

2. The NRC staff, by delivery to the Office of the General Counsel, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, or by mail addressed to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Hearing requests should also be transmitted to the Office of the General Counsel, either by means of facsimile transmission to (301) 415-3725, or by e-mail to [ogcmailcenter@nrc.gov](mailto:ogcmailcenter@nrc.gov).

The formal requirements for documents contained in 10 CFR 2.304 (b), (c), (d), and (e), must be met. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.304 (f), a document filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission need not comply with the formal requirements of 10 CFR 2.304 (b), (c), and (d), as long as an original and two (2) copies otherwise complying with all of the requirements of 10 CFR 2.304 (b), (c), and (d) are mailed within two (2) days thereafter to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.309 (b), a request for a hearing must be filed by December 10, 2007.

In addition to meeting other applicable requirements of 10 CFR 2.309, the general requirements involving a request for a hearing filed by a person other than an applicant must state:

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the requester;

2. The nature of the requester's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding;

3. The nature and extent of the requester's property, financial or other interest in the proceeding;

4. The possible effect of any decision or order that may be issued in the proceeding on the requester's interest; and

5. The circumstances establishing that the request for a hearing is timely in accordance with 10 CFR 2.309 (b).

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.309 (f)(1), a request for hearing or petitions for leave to intervene must set forth with particularity the contentions sought to be raised. For each contention, the request or petition must:

1. Provide a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted;

2. Provide a brief explanation of the basis for the contention;

3. Demonstrate that the issue raised in the contention is within the scope of the proceeding;

4. Demonstrate that the issue raised in the contention is material to the findings that the NRC must make to support the action that is involved in the proceeding;

5. Provide a concise statement of the alleged facts or expert opinions which support the requester's/petitioner's position on the issue and on which the requester/petitioner intends to rely to support its position on the issue; and

6. Provide sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. This information must include references to specific portions of the application (including the applicant's environmental report and safety report) that the requester/petitioner disputes and the supporting reasons for each dispute, or, if the requester/petitioner believes the application fails to contain information on a relevant matter as required by law, the identification of each failure and the supporting reasons for the requester's/petitioner's belief.

In addition, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.309 (f)(2), contentions must be based on documents or other information available at the time the petition is to be filed, such as the application, supporting safety analysis report, environmental report or other supporting document filed by an applicant or licensee, or otherwise available to the petitioner. On issues arising under the National Environmental Policy Act, the requester/petitioner shall file contentions based on the applicant's environmental report. The requester/petitioner may amend those contentions or file new contentions if there are data or conclusions in the NRC draft, or final environmental impact statement, environmental assessment, or any supplements relating thereto, that differ significantly from the data or conclusions in the applicant's documents. Otherwise, contentions may be amended or new contentions filed after the initial filing only with leave of the presiding officer.

Each contention shall be given a separate numeric designation within one of the following groups:

1. Technical—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Safety Evaluation Report for the proposed action.
2. Environmental—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Environmental Report for the proposed action.
3. Emergency Planning—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Emergency Plan as it relates to the proposed action.

4. Physical Security—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Physical Security Plan as it relates to the proposed action.

5. Miscellaneous—does not fall into one of the categories outlined above.

If the requester/petitioner believes a contention raises issues that cannot be classified as primarily falling into one of these categories, the requester/petitioner must set forth the contention and supporting bases, in full, separately for each category into which the requester/petitioner asserts the contention belongs with a separate designation for that category.

Requesters/petitioners should, when possible, consult with each other in preparing contentions and combine similar subject matter concerns into a joint contention, for which one of the co-sponsoring requesters/petitioners is designated the lead representative. Further, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.309 (f)(3), any requester/petitioner that wishes to adopt a contention proposed by another requester/petitioner must do so in writing within ten days of the date the contention is filed, and designate a representative who shall have the authority to act for the requester/petitioner.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.309 (g), a request for hearing and/or petition for leave to intervene may also address the selection of the hearing procedures, taking into account the provisions of 10 CFR 2.310.

### III. Further Information

Documents related to this action, including the application for amendment and supporting documentation, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession numbers for the documents related to this notice are:

Radiological Characterization of the former UNC Manufacturing Facility, New Haven, CT, dated May 31, 2005 (ML051780083 and ML051780088)  
Decommissioning Plan, Revision 1, dated July 7, 2005 (ML051780091)  
Final Status Survey Plan, dated October 4, 2006 (ML062910318)

If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdrc@nrc.gov](mailto:pdrc@nrc.gov).

These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O 1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, this 2nd day of October 2007.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Raymond Lorson,**

*Chief, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region I.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 040-06377]

### Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment to Source Materials License No. Sub-348, for the Unrestricted Release of the Department of the Army, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center, Building 318 Facility in Picatinny, NJ

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Issuance of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Betsy Ullrich, Commercial and R&D Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region I, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406; telephone (610) 337-5040; fax number (610) 337-5269; or by e-mail: [exu@nrc.gov](mailto:exu@nrc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of a license amendment to Source Materials License No. SUB-348. This license is held by the Department of the Army, U. S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDEC), Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center (ARDEC) (the Licensee), for its activities at the Picatinny Arsenal, located in Picatinny, New Jersey. Issuance of the amendment would authorize release of Building 318 for unrestricted use. The Licensee requested this action in a letter dated March 26, 2007. The NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment