

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to OMB and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a submittal to OMB for review of continued approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

1. *The title of the information collection:* 10 CFR Part 50, "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities."

2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0011.

3. *How often the collection is required:* As necessary in order for NRC to meet its responsibilities to conduct a detailed review of applications for licenses and amendments thereto to construct and operate nuclear power plants, preliminary or final design approvals, design certifications, research and test facilities, reprocessing plants and other utilization and production facilities, licensed pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and to monitor their activities.

4. *Who is required or asked to report:* Licensees and applicants for nuclear power plants and research and test facilities.

5. *The number of annual respondents:* 187.

6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 6,168.6M: 3,141.4M hours reporting (an average of 69 hrs/response) + 3,027.2M hours recordkeeping (an average of 16.2K hrs/recordkeeper).

7. *Abstract:* 10 CFR Part 50 of the NRC's regulations "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," specifies technical information and data to be provided to the NRC or maintained by applicants and licensees so that the NRC may take determinations necessary to protect the health and safety of the public, in accordance with the Act. The reporting and recordkeeping requirements contained in 10 CFR 50 are mandatory for the affected licensees and applicants.

Submit, by January 23, 2007, 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?

2. Is the burden estimate accurate? 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 be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F23, Rockville, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/index.html>. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T5-F52, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at 301-415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at INFOCOLLECTS@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of November, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 70-7004-ML; ASLBP No. 05-838-01-ML]

Atomic Safety and Licensing Board; In the Matter of USEC, INC. (American Centrifuge Plant); Notice (Revised Notice of Opportunity To Make Oral Limited Appearance Statements)

November 17, 2006.

Before Administrative Judges: Lawrence G. McDade, Chairman, Dr. Peter S. Lam, Dr. Richard E. Wardwell.

On October 31, 2006, this Atomic Safety and Licensing Board issued a Notice of Opportunity to Make Oral or Written Limited Appearance Statements,¹ which indicated an oral

limited appearance session—in accordance with 10 CFR 2.315(a)—would be convened on Tuesday, December 12, 2006, in connection with the application of USEC, Inc. (USEC) for authorization to construct a facility and to possess and use source, byproduct, and special nuclear material in order to enrich natural uranium to a maximum of 10 percent uranium-235 (U²³⁵) by the gas centrifuge process. USEC proposes to do this at a facility—denominated the American Centrifuge Plant (ACP)—to be constructed near Piketon, Ohio.

The Board hereby gives notice that the oral limited appearance session will now take place on Tuesday, January 9, 2007.

A. Date, Time, and Location of Oral Limited Appearance Statement Session

The session will be held on the following date at the specified location and time:

Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2007.

Time: 6 p.m. e.s.t. until 9 p.m. e.s.t.

Location: Ohio State University Endeavor Center, Training Room 160, 1862 Shyville Road, Piketon, Ohio 45661.

B. Participation Guidelines for Oral Limited Appearance Statements

Any person not a party, or the representative of a party, to the proceeding will be permitted to make an oral statement setting forth his or her position on matters of concern relating to this proceeding. Although these statements do not constitute testimony or evidence in the proceeding, they nonetheless help the Board and/or the parties in their consideration of the issues.

Oral limited appearance statements will be entertained during the hours specified above, or such lesser time as might be necessary to accommodate the speakers who are present. In this regard, if all scheduled and unscheduled speakers present at the session have made a presentation, the Licensing Board reserves the right to terminate the session before the ending time listed above. During the limited appearance session no signs or banners will be permitted in the room.

In order to allow all interested persons an opportunity to address the Board, the time allotted for each statement normally will be no more than five (5) minutes, but may be limited, or expanded, depending on the number of written requests to make oral statements that are submitted in accordance with Section C below, and/or the number of persons present at the designated time. At the outset of each statement, the speaker should identify

¹ 71 FR 65008 (Nov. 6, 2006).

himself or herself by stating their name, city and state of residence, and stating whether they have any affiliation (such as employment, consultancy, or membership) with any of the parties (USEC or the NRC).

C. Submitting a Request To Make an Oral Limited Appearance Statement

Persons wishing to make an oral statement who have submitted a timely written request to do so will be given priority over those who have not filed such a request. To be considered timely, a written request to make an oral statement must either be mailed, faxed, or sent by e-mail so as to be received by 5 p.m. EST on January 2, 2007. Written requests to make an oral statement should be submitted to:

Mail: Office of the Secretary, Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Fax: (301) 415-1101 (verification (301) 415-1966).

E-mail: hearingdocket@nrc.gov.

In addition, using the same method of service, a copy of the written request to make an oral statement should be sent to the Chairman of this Licensing Board as follows:

Mail: Administrative Judge Lawrence G. McDade, c/o: Debra Wolf, Esq. Law Clerk, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, Mail Stop T-3 F23, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001.

Fax: (301) 415-5599 (verification (301) 415-6094).

E-mail: daw1@nrc.gov.

D. Submitted Written Limited Appearance Statements

A written limited appearance statement may be submitted to the Board regarding this proceeding at any time, either in lieu of or in addition to any oral statement. Such statements should be sent to the Office of the Secretary using the methods prescribed above, with a copy to the Licensing Board Chairman.

E. Availability of Documentary Information Regarding the Proceeding

Documents relating to this proceeding are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, or electronically from the publicly available records component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (Electronic Reading Room). Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who

encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR reference staff by telephone at (800) 397-4209 or (301) 415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

F. Scheduling Information Updates

Updated/revised scheduling information regarding the limited appearance session can be found on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm> or by calling (800) 368-5642, extension 5036, or (301) 415-5036.

Dated in Rockville, Maryland, on November 17, 2006.

For the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board.²

Lawrence G. McDade,
Chairman, Administrative Judge.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Availability of the Final License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance—LR-ISG-2006-01: Plant-Specific Aging Management Program for Inaccessible Areas of Boiling Water Reactor (BWR) Mark I Steel Containment Drywell Shell

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The NRC is issuing its Final License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance LR-ISG-2006-01. This LR-ISG provides interim guidance to applicants for license renewal for a plant with a BWR Mark I steel containment to provide a plant-specific aging management program that addresses the potential loss of material due to corrosion in the inaccessible areas of their Mark I steel containment drywell shell for the period of extended operation.

The NRC staff issues LR-ISGs to facilitate timely implementation of the license renewal rule and to review activities associated with a license renewal application. The NRC staff will also incorporate the approved LR-ISG into the next revision of the license renewal guidance documents.

ADDRESSES: The NRC maintains an Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. These documents may be accessed through the NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room on the

Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail at pdr@nrc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Linh Tran, License Renewal Project Manager, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555-0001, telephone 301-415-4103 or by e-mail at Lint@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Attachment 1 to this Federal Register notice, entitled Staff Position and Rationale for the Final License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance—LR-ISG-2006-01: Plant-specific Aging Management Program for Inaccessible Areas of Boiling Water Reactor Mark I Steel Containment Drywell Shell contains the NRC staff's rationale for publishing the Final LR-ISG-2006-01. Attachment 2, entitled Final License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance—LR-ISG-2006-01: Plant-specific Aging Management Program for Inaccessible Areas of BWR Mark I Steel Containment Drywell Shell, contains the guidance for developing the plant-specific aging management program. The NRC staff approves this LR-ISG for NRC and industry use. The NRC staff will also incorporate the approved LR-ISG into the next revision of the license renewal guidance documents.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of November 2006.

Frank P. Gillespie,

Director, Division of License Renewal, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

Attachment 1—Staff Position and Rationale for the Final License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance—LR-ISG-2006-01: Plant-Specific Aging Management Program for Inaccessible Areas of BWR Mark I Steel Containment Drywell Shell

Staff Position

The NRC staff determined that a plant-specific aging management program (AMP) is needed to address the potential loss of material due to corrosion in the inaccessible areas of the Mark I steel containment drywell shell for the period of extended operation.

Rationale

The current license renewal guidance documents (LRGDs) do not provide sufficient guidance to address

² Copies of this Notice were sent this date by Internet electronic mail transmission to counsel for (1) USEC; and (2) the NRC Staff.