

concentrations, and rich vegetation). Not all sites will be visited in single season and access depends upon research vessel cruise tracks and accessibility to the site(s). The sites visited would be sampled by placing a test pit, no more than 1x1 meter in size, in the colony and excavating in 5–10 cm level until bedrock or non-ornithogenic sediments are encountered. To minimize impacts, test pits will be placed in areas with little or no vegetation when possible. Upon completion of the excavation, test pits would be refilled and any vegetation disturbed on the surface replaced. Collected sediments will be taken to the laboratory for processing. Sediments will be washed through fine-mesh screens; all organic remains will be sorted from the sediments and preserved for identification and analysis.

The applicant proposes access additional Antarctic Specially Protected Areas only on an opportunity basis depending upon vessel cruise tracks and schedules. The additional ASPA's are listed under Location, below:

Location

ASPA 102—Rookery Islands, Holme Bay
 ASPA 103—Ardery Island and Odbert Island, Budd Coast
 ASPA 104—Sabrina Island, Balleny Islands
 ASPA 109—Moe Island, South Orkneys
 ASPA 110—Lynch Island, South Orkneys
 ASPA 111—Southern Powell Island and adjacent islands, South Orkneys
 ASPA 114—North Coronation Island, South Orkneys
 ASPA 127—Haswell Island
 ASPA 135—Bailey Peninsula, Budd Coast
 ASPA 136—Clark Peninsula, Budd Coast

Nadene G. Kennedy,
Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.
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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Conservation Act of 1978; Notice of Permit Modification

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

SUMMARY: The Foundation modified a permit to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–541; Code of Federal Regulation Title 45, Part 670).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
 Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Officer,
 Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755,

National Science Foundation, 4201
 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Description of Permit and Modification

On September 25, 1998, the National Science Foundation issued a permit (ACA #99–009) to Dr. William R. Fraser after posting a notice in the August 27, 1998 **Federal Register**. Public comments were not received. A request to modify the permit was posted in the **Federal Register** on March 13, 2001. No public comments were received. The modification, issued by the Foundation on April 20, 2001, allows the permit holder to capture, study and release up to 50 Emperor penguins, 100 Gentoo penguins, 100 Chinstrap penguins, and 100 each of Snow, Cape and Antarctic Petrels. The data collected will help to access how annual environmental variability affects seabird diets, breeding success, growth rates, and population trends.

Location: Antarctic Peninsula.

Nadene G. Kennedy,
Permit Officer.
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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Bioengineering and Environmental Systems; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Bioengineering and Environmental Systems (1189).

Date/Time: May 15, 2001, 8:30 am–5 pm.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 360, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Fred Thompson, Program Director, Environmental Technology Program, Division of Bioengineering and Environmental Systems, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 292–8320.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate unsolicited proposals and proposals received under the Information Technology Research (ITR) Program Solicitation (Announcement Number NSF 00–126), as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and person information concerning individuals associated with the proposals.

These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) or the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: April 25, 2001.

Susanne Bolton,
Committee Management Officer.
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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Civil and Mechanical Systems; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Civil and Mechanical Systems (1205).

Date/Time: May 17 and 18, 2001, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Place: NSF, 4121 Wilson Boulevard, Room 575, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Alison Flatau, Program Director, Dynamic Systems and Control, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 545, Arlington, VA 22230. (703) 292–8360.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate nominations for the FY'01 IIA Control Review Panel as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: April 25, 2001.

Susanne Bolton,
Committee Management Officer.
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 72–8]

Notice of Issuance of Amendment to Materials License SNM–2505, Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) has issued Amendment 3 to Materials License No. SNM–2505 held by Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant (CCNPP) for

the receipt, possession, storage, and transfer of spent fuel at the Calvert Cliffs independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI), located in Calvert County, Maryland. The amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

By application dated November 16, 2000, CCNPP requested an amendment to its ISFSI license to revise License Conditions 9, 12, and 16 and the License Technical Specifications to eliminate unnecessary regulatory requirements.

This amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment.

In accordance with 10 CFR 72.46(b)(2), a determination has been made that the amendment does not present a genuine issue as to whether public health and safety will be significantly affected. Therefore, the publication of a notice of proposed action and an opportunity for hearing or a notice of hearing is not warranted. Notice is hereby given of the right of interested persons to request a hearing on whether the action should be rescinded or modified.

The Commission has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11), an environmental assessment need not be prepared in connection with issuance of the amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see the amendment application dated November 16, 2000. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of the application will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North Building, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, or from the publicly available records component of the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 17th day of April 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Susan M. Frant,

*Deputy Director, Spent Fuel Project Office,
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and
Safeguards.*

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-73]

Notice of Renewal of Facility Operating License for the General Electric Nuclear Test Reactor

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 21 to Facility Operating License No. R-33 issued to the General Electric Company (the licensee). This license amendment renews the license for the General Electric Nuclear Test Reactor in Sunol, California. The facility is a non-power reactor that has been operating at power levels not in excess of 100 kilowatts (thermal). The renewed Operating License will expire 20 years from the date of amendment issuance.

Opportunity for hearing on this amendment was afforded in the notice of the proposed issuance of this renewal in the **Federal Register** on September 22, 1999, at 64 FR 51340. No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following notice of the proposed action.

The amended license complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's Rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I. Those findings are set forth in the license amendment.

The Commission has prepared a safety evaluation for the renewal of the license, which is attached to the amendment. The Commission has, based on that safety evaluation, concluded that the facility can continue to be operated by the licensee without endangering the health and safety of the public.

The Commission also has prepared an environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact for the renewal of the license. The environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact was published in the **Federal Register** on April 20, 2001, at 66 FR 20339. Continued operation of the reactor will not require alteration of buildings or structures, will not lead to significant changes in effluents released from the facility to the environment, will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents, and will not involve any unresolved issues concerning alternative uses of available resources. The Commission has concluded that this action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated September 30, 1997, as supplemented on June 18, 1999, August 23, 1999, June 1, 2000, and October 5, 2000, (2) the notice of the proposed issuance, (3) Amendment No. 21 to Facility Operating License R-33, (4) the Commission's related safety evaluation report, and (5) the environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact. These documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will also be accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Library component on the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov> (the Electronic Reading Room).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this April 20, 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Ledyard B. Marsh,

Chief, Events Assessment, Generic Communications, and Non-Power Reactors Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-336]

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, et al., Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for a Hearing; Correction

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of issuance; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects a notice appearing in the **Federal Register** on April 23, 2001 (66 FR 20485), that considers issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-65, issued to Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, et al. This action is necessary to correct an erroneous date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel S. Collins, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone: 301-415-1427, e-mail: DXC1@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On page 20485, in the third column, in the first complete paragraph, the date is changed