

463 as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Site visit review of the Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC) at New York University by NSF Division of Materials Research (DMR) #1203.

Dates and Times:

Sunday, December 6, 2009 7 p.m.–9 p.m.

Monday, December 7, 2009 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Place: New York University, New York, NY.

Type of Meeting: Part-open.

Contact Person: Dr. William Brittain, Program Director, Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers Program, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone (703) 292–5039.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning progress of the MRSEC at New York University.

Agenda:

Sunday, December 6, 2009

7 p.m.–9 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

Monday, December 7, 2009

8 a.m.–2 p.m. Open—Review of New York Univ MRSEC.

2 p.m.–4 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

Reason for Closing: The work being reviewed may 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. 552 b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: November 10, 2009.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure; 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: Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure (25150).

Date and Time:

December 2, 2009, 11 a.m.–5 p.m.

December 3, 2009, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Kristen Oberright, Office of the Director, Office of Cyberinfrastructure (OD/OCI), National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1145, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: 703–292–8970.

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To advise NSF on the impact of its policies, programs and activities on the CI community. To provide advice to the Director/NSF on issues related to long-range planning, and to form ad hoc subcommittees to carry out needed studies and tasks.

Agenda: Report from the Director. Discussion of CI research initiatives, education, diversity, workforce issues in CI and long-range funding outlook.

Dated: November 10, 2009.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board; Sunshine Act Meetings; Notice

The National Science Board's Subcommittee on Facilities of the Committee on Strategy and Budget, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n–5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 19, 2009 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

SUBJECT MATTER: Chairman's Remarks, Discussion of NSF Portfolio Review Materials, December NSB Meeting, and Next Steps.

STATUS: Open.

PLACE: This meeting will be held by teleconference originating at the National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Room 130 will be held available to the public to listen to this teleconference meeting.

Please refer to the National Science Board Web site (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb>) for information or schedule updates, or contact: Elizabeth Strickland, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–7000.

Ann Ferrante,

Technical Writer/Editor.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2009–0499; Docket No. 030–22168]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment to Byproduct Materials License No. 06–20971–01, for Unrestricted Release of the Eastern Connecticut State University's Facility in Willimantic, CT

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Betsy Ullrich, Senior Health Physicist, Commercial and R&D Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region I, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406; telephone (610) 337–5040; fax number (610) 337–5269; or by e-mail: elizabeth.ullrich@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of a license amendment to Byproduct Materials License No. 06–20971–01. This license is held by Eastern Connecticut State University (the Licensee), for its campus located in Willimantic, Connecticut. Issuance of the amendment would authorize release of two campus facilities, Goddard Hall and the Media Center, for unrestricted use. The Licensee requested this action in a letter dated May 18, 2009. The NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this proposed action in accordance with the requirements of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 51 (10 CFR Part 51). Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate with respect to the proposed action. The amendment will be issued to the Licensee following the publication of this FONSI and EA in the **Federal Register**.

II. Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed action would approve the Licensee's May 18, 2009, license amendment request, resulting in release of Goddard Hall and the Media Center for unrestricted use. License No. 06–20971–01 was issued on March 18, 1986, pursuant to 10 CFR part 30, and has been amended periodically since

that time. This license authorizes the Licensee to use unsealed byproduct material for purposes of conducting research and development activities on laboratory bench tops and in hoods, and the teaching and training of students.

Goddard Hall is a multi-story building situated on approximately 8,300 square feet of land. The Media Center is a multi-story building situated on approximately 13,000 square feet of land. Both buildings contain office space, classroom space, and laboratories. Goddard Hall and the Media Center are located in a residential area. The use of licensed materials was confined to four rooms in Goddard Hall (a total of approximately 2,600 square feet of space) and five rooms in the Media Center (a total of approximately 1,300 square feet of space).

In February 2008, the Licensee ceased licensed activities in Goddard Hall and the Media Center, and initiated a survey and decontamination of Goddard Hall and the Media Center. Based on the Licensee's historical knowledge of the site and the conditions of the Goddard Hall and the Media Center, the Licensee determined that only routine decontamination activities, in accordance with their NRC-approved, operating radiation safety procedures, were required. The Licensee was not required to submit a decommissioning plan to the NRC because worker cleanup activities and procedures are consistent with those approved for routine operations. The Licensee conducted surveys of Goddard Hall and the Media Center and provided information to the NRC to demonstrate that it meets the criteria in Subpart E of 10 CFR Part 20 for unrestricted release.

Need for the Proposed Action

The Licensee has ceased conducting licensed activities in Goddard Hall and the Media Center, and seeks the unrestricted use of these buildings.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The historical review of licensed activities conducted in Goddard Hall and the Media Center shows that such activities involved use of the following radionuclides with half-lives greater than 120 days: hydrogen-3, carbon-14, several generally-licensed sealed sources, and several exempt sealed sources. Prior to performing the final status survey, the Licensee conducted decontamination activities, as necessary, in the areas of Goddard Hall and the Media Center affected by these radionuclides. The Licensee conducted a final status survey on June 29, July 7, 13, and 14, 2009. This survey covered

all rooms in Goddard Hall and the Media Center where licensed materials were used or stored. The final status survey report was attached to the Licensee's letter dated July 24, 2009. The Licensee elected to demonstrate compliance with the radiological criteria for unrestricted release as specified in 10 CFR 20.1402 by using the screening approach described in NUREG-1757, "Consolidated NMSS Decommissioning Guidance," Volume 2. The Licensee used the radionuclide-specific derived concentration guideline levels (DCGLs), developed there by the NRC, which comply with the dose criterion in 10 CFR 20.1402. These DCGLs define the maximum amount of residual radioactivity on building surfaces, equipment, and materials, and in soils, that will satisfy the NRC requirements in Subpart E of 10 CFR Part 20 for unrestricted release. The Licensee's final status survey results were below these DCGLs and are in compliance with the As Low As Reasonably Achievable (ALARA) requirement of 10 CFR 20.1402. The NRC thus finds that the Licensee's final status survey results are acceptable.

Based on its review, the staff has determined that the affected environment and any environmental impacts associated with the proposed action are bounded by the impacts evaluated by the "Generic Environmental Impact Statement in Support of Rulemaking on Radiological Criteria for License Termination of NRC-Licensed Nuclear Facilities" (NUREG-1496) Volumes 1-3 (ML042310492, ML042320379, and ML042330385). The staff finds there were no significant environmental impacts from the use of radioactive material in Goddard Hall and the Media Center. The NRC staff reviewed the docket file records and the final status survey report to identify any non-radiological hazards that may have impacted the environment surrounding Goddard Hall and the Media Center. No such hazards or impacts to the environment were identified. The NRC has identified no other radiological or non-radiological activities in the area that could result in cumulative environmental impacts.

The NRC staff finds that the proposed release of Goddard Hall and the Media Center for unrestricted use is in compliance with 10 CFR 20.1402. Because the Licensee will continue to perform licensed activities in other campus facilities, the Licensee must ensure that Goddard Hall and the Media Center do not later become recontaminated. Before the license can be terminated, the Licensee will be

required to show that the all campus facilities, including previously-released areas, comply with the radiological criteria in 10 CFR 20.1402. Based on its review, the staff considered the impact of the residual radioactivity in Goddard Hall and the Media Center and concluded that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Due to the largely administrative nature of the proposed action, its environmental impacts are small. Therefore, the only alternative the staff considered is the no-action alternative, under which the staff would leave things as they are by simply denying the amendment request. This no-action alternative is not feasible because it conflicts with 10 CFR 30.36(d), requiring that decommissioning of separate buildings containing byproduct material be completed and approved by the NRC after licensed activities in those separate buildings cease. The NRC's analysis of the Licensee's final status survey data confirmed that Goddard Hall and the Media Center meet the requirements of 10 CFR 20.1402 for unrestricted release. Additionally, denying the amendment request would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the no-action alternative are therefore similar, and the no-action alternative is accordingly not further considered.

Conclusion

The NRC staff has concluded that the proposed action is consistent with the NRC's unrestricted release criteria specified in 10 CFR 20.1402. Because the proposed action will not significantly impact the quality of the human environment, the NRC staff concludes that the proposed action is the preferred alternative.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

NRC provided a draft of this Environmental Assessment to the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection for review on August 3, 2009. On September 10, 2009, the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection responded by electronic mail. The State agreed with the conclusions of the EA, and otherwise had no comments.

The NRC staff has determined that the proposed action is of a procedural nature, and will not affect listed species or critical habitat. Therefore, no further consultation is required under Section 7

of the Endangered Species Act. The NRC staff has also determined that the proposed action is not the type of activity that has the potential to cause effects on historic properties. Therefore, no further consultation is required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The NRC staff has prepared this EA in support of the proposed action. On the basis of this EA, the NRC finds that there are no significant environmental impacts from the proposed action, and that preparation of an environmental impact statement is not warranted. Accordingly, the NRC has determined that a Finding of No Significant Impact is appropriate.

IV. Further Information

Documents related to this action, including the application for license 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 documents related to this action are listed below, along with their ADAMS accession numbers.

[1]. NUREG-1757, "Consolidated NMSS Decommissioning Guidance;"

[2]. Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, part 20, subpart E, "Radiological Criteria for License Termination;"

[3]. Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, part 51, "Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions;"

[4]. NUREG-1496, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement in Support of Rulemaking on Radiological Criteria for License Termination of NRC-Licensed Nuclear Facilities;" and

[5]. Licensee letters dated May 18, 2009 (ML091470608) and July 24, 2009 (ML092090686).

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 pdr@nrc.gov. These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated at Region I, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA, this 6th day of November 2009.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

James Dwyer,

Chief, Commercial and R&D Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region I.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Federal Register Notice

DATES: Week of November 16, 2009.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and closed.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of November 16, 2009

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

9:25 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative).

- a. Detroit Edison Co. (Fermi Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 3), LBP-09-16 (July 31, 2009) (Ruling on Standing and Contention Admissibility) (Tentative).
- b. In the Matter of David Geisen, Docket No. 1A-05-052; Staff Application for Stay of the Effectiveness of LBP-09-24 Pending Commission Review (Tentative).

This meeting will be Webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

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Dated: November 10, 2009.

Richard J. Laufer,

Office of the Secretary.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. MC2010-9 and CP2010-9; Order No. 336]

New Postal Product

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to add Priority Mail Contract 23 to the Competitive Product List. The Postal Service has also filed a related contract. This notice addresses procedural steps associated with these filings.

DATES: 1. Supplemental information from the Postal Service is due: November 13, 2009. 2. Comments are due: November 17, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Commenters who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" by telephone for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820 or stephen.sharfman@prc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Introduction
- II. Notice of Filings
- III. Supplemental Information
- IV. Ordering Paragraphs

I. Introduction

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3020.30 *et seq.*, the Postal Service filed a formal request and associated supporting information to add Priority Mail Contract 23 to the Competitive