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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-8948-MLA; ASLBP No. 99-760-03-MLA]

Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corp.; Designation of Presiding Officer

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the **Federal Register**, 37 F.R. 28710 (1972), and §§ Sections 2.105, 2.700, 2.702, 2.714, 2.714a, 2.717 and 2.1207 of the Commission's regulations, a single member of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel is hereby designated to rule on petitions for leave to intervene and/or requests for hearing and, if necessary, to serve as the Presiding Officer to conduct an informal adjudicatory hearing in the following proceeding.

Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation Cambridge, Ohio

(Request for Materials License Amendment)

The hearing, if granted, will be conducted pursuant to 10 CFR subpart L of the commission's Regulations, "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials and Operator Licensing Proceedings." This proceeding concerns a request for hearing submitted by Attorney Michael Bruce Gardner on behalf of citizens of Guernsey County, Ohio in response to a license amendment request by Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation. The proposed amendment would allow Shieldalloy to receive and place slag/soil from a temporary onsite staging area to an area abutting the "West Slag Pile." The amendment request is part of the decommissioning planning for the Cambridge, Ohio site. A notice of the proposed amendment was published in the **Federal Register** at 63 FR 64976 (November 24, 1998).

The Presiding Officer designated for this proceeding is Administrative Judge G. Paul Bollwerk. Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.722, Administrative Judge Thomas D. Murphy has been appointed to assist the Presiding Officer in taking evidence and in preparing a suitable record for review.

All correspondence, documents and other materials shall be filed with Judge

Bollwerk and Judge Murphy in accordance with 10 CFR 2.701. Their addresses are:

Administrative Judge G. Paul Bollwerk, III, Presiding Officer, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555

Administrative Judge Thomas D. Murphy, Special Assistant, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555

Issued at Rockville, MD., this 30th day of December 1998.

B. Paul Cotter, Jr.,

Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 30-34318-EA; ASLBP No. 99-759-01-EA]

Special Testing Laboratories, Inc.; Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the **Federal Register**, 37 FR 28710 (1972), and §§ 2.105, 2.700, 2.702, 2.714, 2.714a, 2.717, 2.721, and 2.772(j) of the Commission's regulations, all as amended, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is being established to preside over the following proceeding.

Special Testing Laboratories, Inc.

Order Suspending License (Effective Immediately)

In accordance with 10 CFR part 202, this Board is established as a result of a request by Richard Speciale on behalf of Special Testing Laboratories, Inc., for a hearing on a December 23, 1998, NRC Order. That Order, *inter alia*, suspended, effective immediately, Special Testing Laboratories, Inc.'s license to operate under License No. 06-30361-01. Mr. Speciale has requested that the Order be overturned and the immediate effectiveness of the Order be set aside.

The Board is comprised of the following administrative judges:

Thomas S. Moore, Chairman, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555

Thomas D. Murphy, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555

Dr. Peter S. Lam, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555

All correspondence, documents and other materials in this proceeding shall be filed with the Judges in accordance with 10 CFR 2.701.

Issued at Rockville, MD., this 29th day of December 1998.

B. Paul Cotter, Jr.,

Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NUREG-1600, Rev.1]

NRC Enforcement Policy; Discretion Involving Natural Events

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Policy Statement; revision.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is publishing a revision to its Enforcement Policy (NUREG-1600, Rev.1, "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions") to address enforcement discretion in cases involving natural events, such as severe weather conditions.

DATES: This action is effective January 6, 1999, while comments are being received. Submit comments on or before February 22, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to: David L. Meyer, Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: T6D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Hand deliver comments to: 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:30 am and 4:15 pm, Federal workdays. Copies of comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW, (Lower Level), Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Lieberman, Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, (301) 415-2741.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The changes to the Enforcement Policy (in the order that they appear in the Policy) are described below:

III. Responsibilities

This section has been modified to indicate that the Commission is to be