

decontamination area to the railcar would involve a major modification to the unit to enclose a larger cask decontamination area within a controlled air space. It is difficult to provide accurate estimates for the cost of these alternatives because of the numerous variables involved. It is believed that the cost for either of these alternatives will be in excess of \$1,000,000.

As an alternative to the proposed amendment, the staff considered denial of the requested amendment; thus, shipment of spent fuel to SHNPP could be terminated. The result of termination of spent fuel shipment would be to require the storage of additional spent fuel onsite until all existing capacity is used or additional capacity is added to allow continued operation until the termination of the HBRSEP, Unit No. 2, operating license on July 31, 2010. The Spent Fuel Pit has already been reracked with high density fuel storage racks, and the addition of storage capacity to the Spent Fuel Pit by further re-racking is not feasible. CP&L maintains an ISFSI license for 8 ISFSI canisters currently containing 56 spent fuel assemblies. No additional capacity is available under the current ISFSI license. The license could be amended to allow additional capacity using a new canister design, or a canister licensed under a general license could be used. The estimated cost of adding sufficient ISFSI storage capacity to permit operation of the unit until the end of the current operating license has been estimated to be approximately \$5,000,000.

The action proposed by the licensee of performing the cask lifting operations between the decontamination facility and the railcar with the valve covers removed and using a non-redundant cask lifting yoke has no significant impact on the environment either from routine operations or from a postulated accident in this configuration. The postulated accident dose is only a small fraction of 10 CFR Part 100 limits and within the acceptance criteria of the Standard Review Plan. Therefore, the benefits of the proposed activity substantially outweigh the costs of the alternatives to the proposed activity. Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the "Final Environmental

Statement Related to the Operation of H.B. Robinson."

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on February 17, 1999, the staff consulted with the South Carolina State official, Virgil Autry, South Carolina Department of Health, Bureau of Radiological Health and Environmental Control. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letters dated August 28, 1997, June 17, 1998, October 29, 1998, and February 11, 1999, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, which is located at The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Hartsville Memorial Library, 147 West College, Hartsville, South Carolina 29550.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of March 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE: Weeks of April 5, 12, 19, and 26, 1999.

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

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of April 5—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 5.

Week of April 12—Tentative

Wednesday, April 14

9:00 a.m. Briefing on Investigative Matters (Closed—Ex. 5 and 7)

11:00 a.m. Briefing on Remaining Issues Related to Proposed Restart of Millstone Unit 2 (Public Meeting) (Contact: William Dean, 301-415-2240)

Thursday, April 15

3:00 p.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (If needed)

Friday, April 16

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Rulemaking For Generally Licensed Devices (Public Meeting) (Contact: Patricia Holahan, 301-415-8125)

Week of April 19—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 19.

Week of April 26—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 26.

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Dated: April 2, 1999.

William M. Hill, Jr.,

SECY Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Biweekly Notice; Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Involving No Significant Hazards Considerations

I. Background

Pursuant to Pub. L. 97-415, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC staff) is publishing this regular biweekly notice. Pub. L. 97-