

Agenda: To review and evaluate Major Research Instrumentation (MRI) proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters that are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 522b(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: April 29, 1999.

Linda Allen-Benton,

Acting Director, Division of Human Resource Management.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Experimental & Integrative Activities; 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 Experimental & Integrative Activities (1193).

Date and Time: May 12, 1999, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Place: Room 1175, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Dragana Brzakovic, POWRE Program, Experimental and Integrative Activities, Room 1160, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230 Telephone: (703) 306-1981.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the National Science Foundation for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate CISE proposals submitted in response to the program announcement (NSF 98-160).

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-336]

Northeast Nuclear Energy Co., the Connecticut Light and Power Co., the Western Massachusetts Electric Co.; Notice of Partial Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (the licensee) to withdraw a portion of its July 17, 1998, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-65 for the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 2, located in Waterford, CT.

The withdrawn portion of the proposed amendment would have revised the Millstone Unit 2 Technical Specifications Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.C by deleting the words "during shutdown" from the first sentence, which reads "At least once per 18 months during shutdown."

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on August 12, 1998 (63 FR 43207). However, by letter dated November 10, 1998, the licensee withdrew this portion of the proposed change as discussed above.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated July 17, 1998, as supplemented by letter dated February 11, 1999, and the licensee's letter dated November 10, 1998, which withdrew a portion of the application for license amendment. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Learning Resources Center, Three Rivers Community-Technical College, 574 New London Turnpike, CT 06360, and the Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, CT 06385.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 28th day of April 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-344]

Portland General Electric Co.; Trojan Nuclear Plant Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-1 issued to the Portland General Electric Company (PGE or licensee) for the Trojan Nuclear Plant (TNP or the plant). The plant is located in Columbia County, Oregon.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed amendment would revise the Permanently Defueled Technical Specifications by (1) revising Subsection 4.1.1, "Site and Exclusion Area Boundaries," and (2) replacing existing Figure 4.1-1 with a new Figure 4.1-1 and adding a new page to Figure 4.1-1 to reflect the access controlled (ISFSI) area.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for amendment (LCA 242) dated February 12, 1997.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The issuance of an amendment will allow the licensee to delete the ISFSI area from the Permanently Defueled Technical Specifications. This will cause the ISFSI to be regulated under 10 CFR Part 72, which is more appropriate to its use as a dry fuel storage area.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that the issuance of the amendment will not have any significant effect on accident risk and the possibility of environmental impact. The Commission has previously issued an Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation at Trojan Nuclear Plant (61 FR 64378). On March 31, 1999, the Commission issued a 10 CFR Part 72 license to PGE to permit spent fuel from the plant to be placed in dry storage at an ISFSI at the facility.

The licensee does not propose any disposal of fuel by this action nor any other activities that have not already been approved by the NRC. Therefore, the proposed action does not increase the probability or consequences of any