

NRC staff site visits and inspections of the Umetco facility; and (6) consultations with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office. The technical aspects of the enhanced reclamation plan are discussed separately in a Technical Evaluation Report (TER) that will accompany the final agency licensing action.

The results of the staff's appraisal are documented in an EA placed in the docket file. Based on its review, the NRC staff has concluded that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Conclusions

The NRC staff has examined actual and potential impacts associated with the enhanced reclamation of the Impoundment, and has determined that the requested amendment of Source Material License SUA-648, authorizing implementation of the reclamation plan, will: (1) be consistent with requirements of 10 CFR part 40, Appendix A; (2) not be inimical to public health and safety; and (3) not have long-term detrimental impacts on the environment. The following statements summarize the conclusions resulting from the staff's environmental assessment, and support the FONSI:

1. An acceptable environmental and effluent monitoring program is in place to monitor effluent releases and to detect if applicable regulatory limits are exceeded. Radiological effluents from facility operations have been, and are expected to remain, below the regulatory limits;
2. Present and potential health risks to the public and risks of environmental damage from the proposed reclamation were assessed. Given the remote location, limited activities requested, small area of impact, and past activities on the site, the staff determined that the risk factors for health and environmental hazards are insignificant.

Because the staff has determined that there will be no significant impacts associated with approval of the license amendment, there can be no disproportionately high and adverse effects or impacts on minority and low-income populations. Consequently, further evaluation of Environmental Justice concerns, as outlined in Executive Order 12898 and NRC's Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Policy and Procedures Letter 1-50, Revision 1, is not warranted.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

The proposed action is to amend NRC Source Material License SUA-648, for reclamation of the Impoundment, as requested by Umetco. Therefore, the

principal alternatives available to NRC are to:

1. Approve the license amendment request as submitted; or
2. Amend the license with such additional conditions as are considered necessary or appropriate to protect public health and safety and the environment; or
3. Deny the amendment request.

Based on its review, the NRC staff has concluded that the environmental impacts associated with the proposed action do not warrant either the limiting of Umetco's future operations or the denial of the license amendment. Additionally, in the TER prepared for this action, the staff has reviewed the licensee's proposed action with respect to the criteria for reclamation, specified in 10 CFR Part 40, Appendix A, and has no basis for denial of the proposed action. Therefore, the staff considers that Alternative 1 is the appropriate alternative for selection.

Finding of No Significant Impact

The NRC staff has prepared an EA for the proposed renewal of NRC Source Material License SUA-648. On the basis of this assessment, the NRC staff has concluded that the environmental impacts that may result from the proposed action would not be significant and, therefore, preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not warranted.

The EA and other documents related to this proposed action are available for public inspection and copying at the NRC Public Document Room, in the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street NW., Washington, DC 20555.

Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

The Commission hereby provides notice that this is a proceeding on an application for a licensing action falling within the scope of Subpart L, "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials and Operators Licensing Proceedings," of the Commission's Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings and Issuance of Orders in 10 CFR part 2 (54 FR 8269). Pursuant to § 2.1205(a), any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a request for a hearing. In accordance with § 2.1205(c), a request for a hearing must be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this **Federal Register** notice. The request for a hearing must be filed with the Office of the Secretary either:

- (1) By delivery to the Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff of the Office of the Secretary at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852; or
- (2) By mail or telegram addressed to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

Each request for a hearing must also be served, by delivering it personally or by mail to:

- (1) The applicant, Umetco Minerals Corporation, P.O. Box 1029, Grand Junction, CO 81502;
- (2) The NRC staff, by delivery to the Executive Director of Operations, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, or
- (3) By mail addressed to the Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

In addition to meeting other applicable requirements of 10 CFR Part 2 of the Commission's regulations, a request for a hearing filed by a person other than an applicant must describe in detail:

- (1) The interest of the requestor in the proceeding;
- (2) How that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, including the reasons why the requestor should be permitted a hearing, with particular reference to the factors set out in § 2.1205(g);
- (3) The requestor's areas of concern about the licensing activity that is the subject matter of the proceeding; and
- (4) The circumstances establishing that the request for a hearing is timely in accordance with § 2.1205(c).

Any hearing that is requested and granted will be held in accordance with the Commission's "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials and Operator Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR part 2, Subpart L.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 15th day of May 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Cumulative Report on Rescissions and Deferrals

May 1, 1999.

This report is submitted in fulfillment of the requirement of Section 1014(e) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-344). Section 1014(e) requires a monthly report listing all budget authority for the current fiscal year for which, as of the first day of the

month, a special message had been transmitted to Congress.

This report gives the status, as of May 1, 1999, of three rescission proposals that have been pending for more than 45 days and three deferrals contained in two special messages for FY 1999. These messages were transmitted to Congress on October 22, 1998, and February 1, 1999.

Rescissions (Attachments A and C)

As of May 1, 1999, three rescission proposals totaling \$35 million have been transmitted to the Congress. Attachment C shows the status of the FY 1999 rescission proposals.

Deferrals (Attachments B and D)

As of May 1, 1999, \$921 million in budget authority was being deferred from obligation. Attachment D shows the status of each deferral reported during FY 1999.

Information from Special Messages

The special messages containing information on the rescission proposals and deferrals that are covered by this cumulative report are printed in the editions of the **Federal Register** cited below:

63 FR 63949, Tuesday, November 17, 1998

64 FR 6721, Wednesday, February 10, 1999

Jacob J. Lew,
Director.
Attachments

**ATTACHMENT A—STATUS OF FY 1999
RESCISSIONS**

[In millions of dollars]

	Budgetary resources
Rescissions proposed by the President	35.0
Rejected by the Congress
Currently before the Congress ...	35.0

**ATTACHMENT B—STATUS OF FY 1999
DEFERRALS**

[In millions of dollars]

	Budgetary resources
Deferrals proposed by the President	1,680.7
Routine Executive releases through April 1999. (OMB/ Agency releases of \$760.6 million, partially offset by a cumulative positive adjustment of \$0.9 million)	- 759.7
Overtaken by the Congress
Currently before the Congress ...	921.0

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ATTACHMENT C
Status of FY 1999 Rescission Proposals - As of May 1, 1999
 (Amounts in thousands of dollars)

Agency/Bureau/Account	Rescission Number	Amounts Pending		Date of Message	Previously Withheld and Made Available	Date Made Available	Amount Rescinded	Congressional Action
		Less than 45 days	More than 45 days					
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR								
Bureau of Land Management Management of Lands and Resources.....	R99-1		6,800	2-1-99	*			
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT								
Unanticipated Needs Unanticipated Needs for Natural Disasters.....	R99-2		10,000	2-1-99	*			
INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS								
International Security Assistance Foreign Military Financing Loan Program Account.....	R99-3		18,240	2-1-99	*			
TOTAL, RESCISSIONS.....			35,040					

* No funds were withheld.

ATTACHMENT D
Status of FY 1999 Deferrals - As of May 1, 1999
 (Amounts in thousands of dollars)

Agency/Bureau/Account	Deferral Number	Amounts Transmitted		Date of Message	Releases(-)		Congressional Action	Cumulative Adjustments	Amount Deferred as of 5-1-99
		Original Request	Subsequent Change (+)		Cumulative OMB/ Agency	Congressionally Required			
DEPARTMENT OF STATE									
Other									
United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund.....	D99-1	82,858	17,724	10-22-98	57,724				42,858
INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS									
International Security Assistance Economic Support Fund.....	D99-2	84,777	1,310,376	10-22-98 2-1-99	562,896			881	833,138
Agency for International Development International Disaster Assistance.....	D99-3	185,000		2-1-99	139,956				45,044
TOTAL, DEFERRALS.....		352,635	1,328,100		760,576			881	921,040