

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records in this system are maintained on-site until eligible for destruction. Work papers used in evaluating grantees' audit reports and financial statements are destroyed on a three-year cycle. Work papers and correspondence prepared and/or obtained during the clearance process of audit recommendations are destroyed on a six-year cycle from the date that the recommendations are cleared. All other records in this system are destroyed on a seven-year cycle.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Inspector General, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

See 45 CFR part 1159.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

The major part of this system is exempted from this requirement pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2) or (k)(2). To the extent that this system is not subject to exemption, it is subject to access. A determination as to exemption shall be made at the time a request for access is received. Access requests must be sent to the Office of the General Counsel in accordance with the procedures published at 45 CFR part 1159.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The major part of this system is exempted from this requirement pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2) or (k)(2). To the extent that this system is not subject to exemption, it is subject to access and contest. A determination as to exemption shall be made at the time a request for access is received. Access requests must be sent to the Office of the General Counsel in accordance with the procedures published at 45 CFR part 1159.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Data in this system is obtained from individuals who are covered by the system, as well as from individuals with whom the subjects are associated; Federal, State, or local governmental investigative or law enforcement agencies; and other organizations.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

This system is exempted from 5 U.S.C. 552a except subsections (b); (c)(1) and (2); (e)(4)(A) through (F); (e)(6), (7), (9), (10), and (11); and (i) under 552a(j)(2) to the extent that the system pertains to enforcement of criminal laws. This system is exempted from 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3); (d); (e)(1); (e)(4)(G),

(H), and (I); and (f) under 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2) to the extent that the system consists of investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than material within the scope of the exemption at 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2). These exemptions are contained in 45 CFR part 1159.

Dated: July 17, 2000.

Karen Elias,

Deputy General Counsel.

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A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to Nicholas S. Reynolds, Esquire, Winston and Strawn, 1400 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-3502, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) The application for amendment dated March 9, 2000, as supplemented by letters dated April 11 and 28, May 30, June 20, 22, 23 (two letters), and 30, and July 7, 8, and 11, 2000, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated July 21, 2000.

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 21st day of July 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Stuart A. Richards,

Director, Project Directorate IV and Decommissioning Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-368]

Entergy Operations, Inc.; Notice of Denial of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has denied a request by Entergy Operations, Inc., (Entergy Operations or the licensee) for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-6 issued to the licensee for operation of the Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit No. 2, nuclear reactor located in Pope County, Arkansas. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the **Federal Register** on April 5, 2000 (65 FR 17914).

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request was to revise the license to permit operation of the reactor based on a risk-informed demonstration that predicted steam generator tube integrity, with consideration of eggcrate axial flaws, is adequate to meet Regulatory Guide 1.174 numerical acceptance criteria.

The NRC staff has concluded that the licensee's request cannot be granted. The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of the proposed change by a letter dated July 21, 2000.

By August 28, 2000, the licensee may demand a hearing with respect to the denial described above. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a written petition for leave to intervene pursuant to 10 CFR 2.714.

A request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001 Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, by the above date.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Regulatory Guide; Issuance, Availability**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued a new guide in its Regulatory Guide Series. This series has been developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the Commission's regulations, techniques used by the staff in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data needed by the staff in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

Regulatory Guide 1.183, "Alternative Radiological Source Terms for Evaluating Design Basis Accidents at Nuclear Power Reactors," provides guidance to licensees on voluntarily replacing the traditional source term used in design basis accident analyses with alternative source terms. These alternative source terms allow interested licensees to pursue cost-beneficial licensing actions to reduce unnecessary regulatory burden without compromising the margin of safety of the nuclear power facility.