

requirements in part 20, Appendix G Section III.E to investigate and file a report to the NRC if a shipment of radioactive waste is not acknowledged by the intended recipient within 20 days after transfer to the shipper. The licensee made this request because, in this particular case, the transport time for the reactor vessel shipment is currently expected to take approximately 90 days to reach the disposal site. The NRC staff has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this action in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR part 51. The conclusion of the EA is a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed action.

II. EA Summary

The proposed action would allow the licensee to transport the reactor vessel from the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station to the Chem-Nuclear low-level radioactive waste disposal facility at Barnwell County, South Carolina. The travel time is estimated to be as long as 90 days. However, since the time of travel to reach the low-level waste burial site is longer than 20 days, part 20, Appendix G Section III.E would require the licensee to investigate, trace, and file a report with the NRC on the location of the reactor vessel 20 days into its approximate 90-day journey. The licensee has requested an exemption from these requirements because they are not meaningful in this instance.

The NRC has examined the licensee's proposed exemption request and concluded that it is procedural and administrative in nature. Additionally, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action; nor, are there any

nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

NRC has prepared the EA (summarized above) in support of the licensee's application for an exemption request. On the basis of the environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

IV. Further Information

The EA and the documents related to this proposed action, including the request for the exemption, are available for inspection at NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. The ADAMS accession number for the licensee's March 7, 2003 exemption request letter is ML030730547. The ADAMS accession number for the staff's EA is ML031000319. Documents may also be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Any questions with respect to this action should be referred to William Huffman, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, telephone (301) 415-1141.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of April, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
Daniel M. Gillen,
Chief, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NRC EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION

| Name of applicant, date of application, date received, application No., Docket No. | Description of material | | End use | Country of destination |
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| | Material type | Total qty. | | |
| Transnuclear, Inc. March 24, 2003; April 1, 2003; XSNM03171/04; 11005236. | Highly-Enriched Uranium (93.30%). | Additional 25.0 kg Uranium (23.325 kg U-235). | To fabricate targets for irradiation in the NRU Reactor to produce medical radioisotopes and to extend expiration date to 12/31/05. | Canada. |

Dated this 16th day of April 2003 at Rockville, Maryland.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Edward T. Baker,

Deputy Director, Office of International Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Request To Amend a License To Export Highly-Enriched Uranium

Pursuant to 10 CFR 110.70(b)(2) "Public notice of receipt of an application," please take notice that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has received the following request to amend an export license. Copies of the request are available electronically through ADAMS and can be accessed through the Public Electronic Reading Room (PERR) link <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html> at the NRC Homepage.

A request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene may be filed within 30 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Any request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene shall be served by the requestor or petitioner upon the applicant, the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555; the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; and the Executive Secretary, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520.

In its review of the request to amend a license to export special nuclear material noticed herein, the Commission does not evaluate the health, safety or environmental effects in the recipient nation of the material to be exported. The information concerning this amendment request follows.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Announcement of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Announcement of a meeting.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is conducting a rulemaking to amend its regulations for medical use of byproduct material to address issues related to training and experience associated with recognition of Specialty Boards by the NRC. To aid in that process, the NRC is holding a public meeting to solicit input from