

Board, *Ad hoc* Committee on NSB Nominees Class of 2006–2012.

DATE AND TIME: July 15, 2004, 2:30–4 p.m.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Nominees for appointments as NSB members.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Michael P. Crosby, Executive Officer and NSB Office Director, (703) 292–7000, www.nsf.gov/nsb.

Michael P. Crosby,

Executive Officer and NSB Office Director.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–271]

Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR–28, issued to Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (the licensees), for operation of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station (VYNPS) located in Windham County, Vermont.

The proposed amendment would change the VYNPS operating license to increase the maximum authorized power level from 1593 megawatts thermal (MWt) to 1912 MWt. This change represents an increase of approximately 20 percent above the current maximum authorized power level. The proposed amendment would also change the VYNPS technical specifications to provide for implementing uprated power operation.

Before issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

Within 60 days after the date of publication of this notice, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendment to the subject facility operating license and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the

proceeding must file a written request for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene. Requests for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR Part 2. Interested persons should consult a current copy of 10 CFR 2.309, which is available at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area 01F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System's (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/cfr/>. If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or a presiding officer designated by the Commission or by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition; and the Secretary or the Chief Administrative Judge of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of a hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR 2.309, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner/requestor in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition should specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following general requirements: (1) The name, address and telephone number of the requestor or petitioner; (2) the nature of the requestor's/petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (3) the nature and extent of the requestor's/petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (4) the possible effect of any decision or order which may be entered in the proceeding on the requestor's/petitioner's interest. The petition must also identify the specific contentions which the petitioner/requestor seeks to have litigated at the proceeding.

Each contention must consist of a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted. In addition, the petitioner/requestor shall provide a brief explanation of the bases for the contention and a concise statement of the alleged facts or expert opinion which support the contention and on which the petitioner intends to rely in proving the contention at the

hearing. The petitioner must also provide references to those specific sources and documents of which the petitioner is aware and on which the petitioner intends to rely to establish those facts or expert opinion. The petition must include sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the amendment under consideration. The contention must be one which, if proven, would entitle the petitioner/requestor to relief. A petitioner/requestor who fails to satisfy these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing.

Nontimely requests and/or petitions and contentions will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission or the presiding officer of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that the petition, request and/or the contentions should be granted based on a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.309(a)(1)(i)–(viii).

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed by: (1) First class mail addressed to the Office of the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff; (2) courier, express mail, and expedited delivery services: Office of the Secretary, Sixteenth Floor, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, 20852, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff; (3) E-mail addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, HEARINGDOCKET@NRC.GOV; or (4) facsimile transmission addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff at (301) 415–1101, verification number is (301) 415–1966. A copy of the request for hearing and petition for leave to intervene should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, and it is requested that copies be transmitted either by means of facsimile transmission to 301–415–3725 or by email to OGCMailCenter@nrc.gov. A copy of the request for hearing and petition for leave to intervene should also be sent to John M. Fulton, Assistant

General Counsel, Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., 440 Hamilton Avenue, White Plains, NY 10601, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated September 10, 2003, as supplemented on October 1, 2003, October 28, 2003 (2 letters), January 31, 2004 (2 letters), March 4, 2004, and May 19, 2004, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's PDR, located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of June, 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Richard B. Ennis,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-8027-MLA-9 and ASLBP No. 04-824-06-MLA]

Sequoyah Fuels Corporation; Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the **Federal Register**, 37 FR 28,710 (1972), and the Commission's regulations, see 10 CFR 2.104, 2.300, 2.303, 2.309, 2.311, 2.318, and 2.321, notice is hereby given that an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is being established to preside over the following proceeding: Sequoyah Fuels Corporation, Gore, Oklahoma Site, (Materials License Amendment).

This proceeding concerns a request for hearing submitted on May 17, 2004, by the State of Oklahoma. That request was filed in response to a March 10, 2004 notice of receipt of a January 7, 2004 materials amendment request from Sequoyah Fuels Corporation to authorize a proposed raffinate dewatering project at its Gore,

Oklahoma facility site, and of opportunity for a hearing which was published in the **Federal Register** on March 17, 2004 (69 FR 12,715).

The Board is comprised of the following administrative judges: Alan S. Rosenthal, Chair, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Dr. Anthony J. Baratta, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Dr. Richard F. Cole, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed with the administrative judges in accordance with 10 CFR 2.302.

Issued at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of June 2004.

G. Paul Bollwerk, III,

Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Number 030-20567]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for Issuance of a License Renewal for Byproduct Material License No. 24-21362-01 for American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc., St. Louis, MO

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William Snell, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III, 2443 Warrenville Road, Lisle, Illinois 60532; telephone (630) 829-9871; or by e-mail at wgs@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the renewal of Byproduct Material License No. 24-21362-01 issued to American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc. (the licensee), in St. Louis, Missouri.

The NRC staff has prepared this environmental assessment (EA) to support this licensing action in accordance with the requirements of 10

CFR Part 51. Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate. The amendment will be issued following the publication of this Notice.

II. Environmental Assessment Summary

The proposed action is to renew Byproduct Material License No. 24-21362-01 issued to the American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc. in St. Louis, Missouri. American Radiolabeled Chemicals is licensed to possess byproduct materials to be used in the manufacture and synthesis of radiolabeled chemicals. The licensee primarily uses tritium (H-3) and carbon-14 (C-14), and as a result of licensed activities releases curie quantities of H-3 and C-14 in airborne effluent releases. American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc. requested by letter to the NRC dated October 28, 2002, the renewal of Byproduct Material License No. 24-21362-01, which would have expired on November 30, 2002. The American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc. provided radiological airborne effluent release data, radiological air sampling data, and computational results to demonstrate compliance with 10 CFR 20.1201, "Occupational Dose Limits for Adults," and 10 CFR 20.1301, "Dose Limits for Individual Members of the Public." No licensee activities are required to complete the proposed action. The NRC staff has reviewed the radiological airborne effluent release data, radiological air sampling data, and computational results provided by American Radiolabeled Chemicals to ensure the NRC's decision is protective of public health and safety and the environment.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The staff has prepared the EA, summarized above, in support of American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc.'s request to renew Byproduct Material License No. 24-21362-01. Based on its review, the staff has determined that there are no radiological or non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the renewal of American Radiolabeled Chemicals, Inc.'s license. The staff also finds that American Radiolabeled Chemicals demonstrated compliance with the occupational dose limits for adults in 10 CFR 20.1201 and the dose limits for individual members of the public in 20.1301, and finds no other activities in the area that could result in cumulative impacts. On the basis of the EA, the staff has concluded that the environmental impacts from the