

1. Proposed Rule: Section 701.2 of NCUA's Rules and Regulations, Federal Credit Union Bylaws.

2. Proposed Rule: Interpretive Ruling and Policy Statement (IRPS) 07-1, Section 701.1 of NCUA's Rules and Regulations, Amendments to NCUA's Chartering and Field of Membership Policies.

3. Final Rule: Part 701 of NCUA's Rules and Regulations, Technical Amendments.

*Recess:* 11:15 a.m.

*Time and Date:* 11:30 a.m., Thursday, May 24, 2007.

*Place:* Board Room, 7th Floor, Room 7047, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3428.

*Status:* Closed.

*Matters to be Considered:*

1. Action under Section 205 of the Federal Credit Union Act. Closed pursuant to Exemptions (6), (7), and (8).

*For Further Information Contact:*

Mary Rupp, Secretary of the Board, Telephone: 703-518-6304.

**Mary Rupp,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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**THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**

**Meetings of Humanities Panel**

**AGENCY:** The National Endowment for the Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), notice is hereby given that the following meetings of Humanities Panels will be held at the Old Post Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Heather C. Gottry, Acting Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, DC 20506; telephone (202) 606-8322. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the Endowment's TDD terminal on (202) 606-8282.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposed meetings are for the purpose of panel review, discussion, evaluation and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including discussion of information

given in confidence to the agency by the grant applicants. Because the proposed meetings will consider information that is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential and/or information of a personal nature the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, pursuant to authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that these meetings will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c) (4), and (6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

1. *Date:* June 1, 2007.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* 415.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for The IMLS/NEH Digital Partnership Advancing Knowledge I, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access, at the March 27, 2007 deadline.

2. *Date:* June 12, 2007.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* 415.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for The IMLS/NEH Digital Partnership Advancing Knowledge II, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access, at the March 27, 2007 deadline.

**Heather C. Gottry,**

*Acting Advisory Committee, Management Officer.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[Docket Nos. 50-346, 50-440, 50-334, and 50-412; License Nos. NPF-3, NPF-58, DPR-66, NPF-73; EA 07-123]**

**In the Matter of First Energy Nuclear Operating Company—Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant, Perry Nuclear Power Plant, and Beaver Valley Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2; Demand for Information**

**I**

FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC or licensee) is the holder of four NRC Facility Operating Licenses issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) pursuant to 10 CFR part 50, which authorizes the operation of the specifically named facilities in accordance with the conditions specified in each license. License No. NPF-3 was issued on April 22, 1977, to

operate the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (Davis-Besse). License No. NPF-58 was issued on November 13, 1986, to operate the Perry Nuclear Power Plant. Licenses No. DPR-66 and NPF-73 to operate the Beaver Valley Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2 were issued on July 2, 1976, and August 14, 1987, respectively. The facilities are located on the licensee's properties near Toledo and Painesville, Ohio, for the Davis-Besse and Perry Plants, respectively, and near McCandless, Pennsylvania, for the Beaver Valley Nuclear Plant.

**II**

On March 8, 2004, the NRC issued a Confirmatory Order to FENOC and approved restart of the Davis-Besse Plant following substantial licensee action to evaluate and develop appropriate corrective actions for the technical and programmatic issues that were associated with the 2002 reactor pressure vessel head degradation event.

On April 21, 2005, the NRC issued a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties in the amount of 5,450,000 dollars involving violations associated with the 2002 Davis-Besse reactor pressure vessel head degradation event and the root causes for the event. On September 14, 2005, FENOC responded to the Notice of Violation, paid the proposed civil penalty and addressed each of the violations cited. Its response also addressed FENOC's assessment of the root cause for each violation. On January 23, 2006, FENOC provided a supplemental reply to the Notice of Violation.

FENOC obtained a report from its contractor, Exponent Failure Analysis Associates and Altran Solutions Corporations (Exponent), dated December 2006, prepared in connection with its claim against Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited (NEIL), which included an updated analysis of the timeline and root cause for the 2002 Davis-Besse reactor pressure vessel head degradation event. A significant conclusion of this analysis was a determination by Exponent that the time period between the beginning of substantial leakage from the reactor pressure vessel head nozzle causing the development of the large cavity next to the nozzle may have been as short as four months. Previously, FENOC had conducted its own technical and programmatic root cause evaluations of the event and concluded that the reactor pressure vessel head cavity was the result of ongoing nozzle leakage which had gone undetected for more than four years. FENOC also obtained a second report, dated in December 2006, from

another contractor, entitled, "Report on Reactor Pressure Vessel Wastage at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant." This second report included conclusions that appeared to be inconsistent with FENOC's previous communications with the NRC and the April 21, 2005, Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties associated with the 2002 Davis-Besse reactor pressure vessel degradation event.

In February 2007, NEIL sent to FENOC a letter identifying what NEIL believed to be potential safety concerns raised by the Exponent report conclusions. Upon receipt of the NEIL letter, the Davis-Besse plant staff generated a condition report in its corrective action program to document the issue.

During March 2007, the NRC held several conference calls with the Davis-Besse staff to obtain additional information regarding the licensee's assessment of the concerns raised in the NEIL letter and to understand the licensee's planned actions to address the concerns.

By letter dated April 2, 2007, the NRC requested the licensee to respond, in writing, to four questions regarding information and conclusions presented in the Exponent Report to assist the NRC in understanding the assumptions, analysis, and conclusions of the Exponent Report, and to confirm the information provided during the March 2007 conference calls.

By letter dated May 2, 2007, FENOC provided a written response to the NRC's questions. In its response, FENOC stated, among other things, that the Exponent Report set forth an informed analysis that more accurately characterizes the timeline of the reactor head degradation event based upon the use of more recently available test data in conjunction with detailed analytical modeling. FENOC's response did not indicate whether it had completed a comprehensive review of the Exponent Report relative to its previous root cause reports.

The information provided by the licensee regarding the foregoing did not provide the NRC with sufficient information to determine if FENOC had conducted a prompt and thorough review of the Exponent Report. In particular, the NRC needs additional information to determine whether FENOC conducted a timely and comprehensive analysis of the assumptions and conclusions of the Exponent Report to assess their accuracy relative to the technical and programmatic root cause reports previously developed by FENOC and an assessment of whether the NRC should

have been notified regarding its conclusions. In addition, FENOC did not provide the NRC with sufficient information to determine if FENOC endorsed the conclusions of the second contractor report and, if so, the effect such positions may have regarding its earlier responses to the April 2005 enforcement actions.

In light of the foregoing, further information is needed for the Commission to determine whether an Order or other action should be taken pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202, to provide reasonable assurance that FENOC will continue to operate its licensed facilities in accordance with the terms of its licenses and the Commission's regulations; in particular, to assure that:

1. FENOC demonstrates an appropriate focus, centered on the timely and critical evaluation of information developed internally by FENOC, by its contractors, and by industry sources which may affect safety assessments of its operating nuclear fleet;

2. FENOC promptly communicates to the NRC all information that it develops, receives, or becomes aware of that has the potential to have a significant impact on public health and safety;

3. FENOC has completed a comprehensive assessment of the assumptions and conclusions of the Exponent Report and has determined whether the assumptions and conclusions are consistent with the past operational experience at the Davis-Besse Plant, the assumptions of the previous technical and non-technical root cause reports developed by FENOC as a part of its assessment of the 2002 reactor pressure vessel head degradation event; and the corrective actions developed and implemented by FENOC and relied upon by the NRC as a basis for the restart of the Davis-Besse Plant.

4. FENOC has completed a comprehensive assessment of the conclusions of its contractor's report, entitled, "Report on Reactor Pressure Vessel Wastage at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant," and has determined whether the root cause reports and licensee event reports related to the 2002 reactor pressure vessel head degradation event and the responses to the NRC Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties dated April 21, 2005, should be updated to ensure they are complete and accurate in all material respects.

### III

Accordingly, pursuant to sections 161c, 161o, 182 and 186 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and

the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 2.204 and 10 CFR 50.54(f), in order to determine whether your licenses should be modified, suspended or revoked, or other action should be taken, the licensee is required to submit to the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, with copies to the Assistant General Counsel for Materials Litigation and Enforcement at the same address, to the Regional Administrator, NRC Region III, 2443 Warrenville, Road, Suite 210, Lisle, IL 60532-4352 and to the Resident Inspectors, within 30 days of the date of this Demand for Information the following information, in writing, and under oath or affirmation:

- A. A detailed discussion of the process used, the specific information evaluated, and the conclusions reached as a part of FENOC's assessment of the Exponent Report, upon receipt or subsequently, to determine if the Exponent Report assumptions, analyses, conclusions, or other related information, should have been reported to the NRC in a more prompt manner. Your response shall include sufficient information for the NRC to assess how FENOC evaluated the significant differences between the crack growth and leakage timelines developed in the Exponent Report and previous root cause reports.

- B. A detailed discussion of the differences in assumptions, analyses, conclusions, and other related information of the Exponent Report and previous technical and programmatic root cause reports, developed following the 2002 Davis-Besse reactor pressure vessel head degradation event. Your response shall address, among other matters you believe warranted, differences between the operational experience data, such as the origin and presence of boric acid deposits and corrosion products on air coolers, radiation filters, the reactor vessel head, and other components in the containment, and the Exponent Report assumptions for these items. Your response shall also indicate if differences in the Exponent Report assumptions, analyses, information, or conclusions and previous root cause reports demonstrate a need for any new or different corrective actions relative to the 2002 Davis-Besse reactor pressure vessel head degradation event and related issues. Your response shall also address the impact on the continued effectiveness of your corrective actions.

- C. With regard to the "Report on Reactor Pressure Vessel Wastage at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant," dated December 2006, indicate if

FENOC endorses the report's conclusions. If so, your response shall set forth your assessment of whether this position is in conflict with previous root cause and licensee event reports regarding the 2002 Davis-Besse reactor pressure vessel head degradation event and FENOC's responses to the NRC Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties, dated April 21, 2005. Your response shall also address the impact on the continued effectiveness of your corrective actions.

After reviewing your response, the NRC will determine whether further action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dated this 14th day of May, 2007.

**Cynthia A. Carpenter,**

*Director, Office of Enforcement.*

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Generalized System of Preferences (GSP): Notice Regarding the Initiation of the 2007 Annual GSP Product and Country Eligibility Practices Review and Change in Deadlines for Filing Certain Petitions

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice and solicitation for public petition.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) will receive petitions in 2007 to modify the list of products that are eligible for duty-free treatment under the GSP program, and to modify the GSP status of certain GSP beneficiary developing countries because of country practices. This notice further determines that the deadline for submission of product petitions, other than those requesting competitive need limitation (CNL) waivers, and country practice petitions for the 2007 Annual GSP Product and Country Eligibility Practices Review is 5 p.m., June 22, 2007. The deadline for submission of product petitions requesting CNL waivers is 5 p.m., November 16, 2007. The list of product petitions and country practice petitions accepted for review will be announced in the **Federal Register** at later dates.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact the GSP Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee, Office of the United States Trade Representative,

1724 F Street, NW., Room F-220, Washington, DC 20508. The telephone number is (202) 395-6971, the facsimile number is (202) 395-9481, and the e-mail address is [FR0711@USTR.EOP.GOV](mailto:FR0711@USTR.EOP.GOV). Public versions of all documents relating to this Review will be available for examination approximately 30 days after the pertinent due date, by appointment, in the USTR public reading room, 1724 F Street, NW., Washington, DC. Availability of documents may be ascertained, and appointments may be made from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, by calling (202) 395-6186.

### 2007 Annual GSP Review

The GSP regulations (15 CFR part 2007) provide the timetable for conducting an annual review, unless otherwise specified by **Federal Register** notice. Notice is hereby given that, in order to be considered in the 2007 Annual GSP Product and Country Eligibility Practices Review, all petitions to modify the list of articles eligible for duty-free treatment under GSP or to review the GSP status of any beneficiary developing country, with the exception of petitions requesting CNL waivers, must be received by the GSP Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee no later than 5 p.m. on June 22, 2007. Petitions requesting CNL waivers must be received by the GSP Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee no later than 5 p.m. on November 16, 2007 in order to be considered in the 2007 Annual Review. Petitions submitted after the respective deadlines will not be considered for review.

Interested parties, including foreign governments, may submit petitions to: (1) Designate additional articles as eligible for GSP benefits, including to designate articles as eligible for GSP benefits only for countries designated as least-developed beneficiary developing countries, or only for countries designated as beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA); (2) withdraw, suspend or limit the application of duty-free treatment accorded under the GSP with respect to any article, either for all beneficiary developing countries, least-developed beneficiary developing countries or beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries, or for any of these countries individually; (3) waive the "competitive need limitations" for individual beneficiary developing countries with respect to specific GSP-eligible articles (these limits do not apply to either least-

developed beneficiary developing countries or AGOA beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries); and (4) otherwise modify GSP coverage.

As specified in 15 CFR 2007.1, all product petitions must include a detailed description of the product and the subheading of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under which the product is classified.

Further, product petitions requesting CNL waivers for GSP-eligible articles from beneficiary developing countries that exceed the CNLs in 2007 must be filed in the 2007 Annual Review. In order to allow petitioners an opportunity to review additional 2007 U.S. import statistics, these petitions may be filed after June 22, 2007, but must be received on or before the November 16, 2007, deadline described above in order to be considered in the 2007 Annual Review. Copies will be made available for public inspection after the November 16, 2007, deadline.

Any person may also submit petitions to review the designation of any beneficiary developing country, including any least-developed beneficiary developing country, with respect to any of the designation criteria listed in sections 502(b) or 502(c) of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(b) and (c)) (petitions to review the designation of beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries are considered in the Annual Review of the AGOA, a separate administrative process not governed by the GSP regulations). Such petitions must comply with the requirements of 15 CFR 2007.0(b).

### Requirements for Submissions

All such submissions must conform to the GSP regulations set forth at 15 CFR part 2007, except as modified below. These regulations are reprinted in the "U.S. Generalized System of Preferences Guidebook" (February 2007) ("GSP Guidebook"), available at [http://www.ustr.gov/assets/Trade\\_Development/Preference\\_Programs/GSP/asset\\_upload\\_file412\\_8359.pdf](http://www.ustr.gov/assets/Trade_Development/Preference_Programs/GSP/asset_upload_file412_8359.pdf).

Any person or party making a submission is strongly advised to review the GSP regulations. Submissions that do not provide the information required by sections 2007.0 and 2007.1 of the GSP regulations will not be accepted for review, except upon a detailed showing in the submission that the petitioner made a good faith effort to obtain the information required. Petitions with respect to waivers of the "competitive need limitations" must meet the information requirements for product addition requests in section 2007.1(c) of the GSP regulations. A model petition