This is true even as previous survey research studies on public attitudes report high rates of acceptance and positive ratings of satisfaction regarding workers with disabilities, though quasi-experimental and qualitative research contradict these findings. The connection between the general public’s attitudes toward people with disabilities and their employment prospects as well as the impact of direct work contact with people with disabilities has not been explored with a large sample representative of the general population. More importantly, previous research on public attitudes toward people with disabilities (Harris Polls, 2003, 1998; Kaiser Family Foundation, 2004; Siperstein et al., 2005) has used one or two-dimensional models of attitudinal measurement. This is a significant disadvantage to the development of knowledge in this area, especially with regard to the behavioral component of attitudes, which is not included in previous studies. Without a better understanding of the causal factors that compel an individual to act out her/his thoughts and emotions, the value of research on public attitudes toward people with disabilities is significantly diminished.

ODEP strongly believes that the research on public attitudes toward people with disabilities needs a strategic and scientifically based approach that rigorously collects and aggregates data from a larger sample of the American public, a more comprehensive approach to attitude measurement, and a multivariate predictive analytical approach to the analysis of findings. Therefore, the proposed 2009 survey is designed to meet those needs, as follows: The survey will draw a sample n = 1,600, which is roughly double the size of the sample of the 2005 National Survey of Consumer Attitudes; It will use a multidimensional validated scale of attitudes toward disabled people that has been tested in a multitude of experimental and qualitative research studies on public attitudes toward people with disabilities (Constellation Energy, 2010). Without a better knowledge in this area, especially with regard to the behavioral component of attitudes, which is not included in previous studies. Without a better understanding of the causal factors that compel an individual to act out her/his thoughts and emotions, the value of research on public attitudes toward people with disabilities is significantly diminished.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES
National Endowment for the Arts; Arts Advisory Panel

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), as amended, notice is hereby given that eight meetings of the Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts will be held at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20506 as follows (ending times are approximate):

American Masterpieces/Chamber Music (application review): January 20–21, 2010 in Room 714. This meeting, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on January 20th and 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on January 21st, will be closed.

American Masterpieces/Chamber Music (application review): January 22, 2010 in Room 714. This meeting, from 9 a.m. to 5:15 p.m., will be closed.

Music/NEA Jazz Masters (review of nominations): January 27, 2010, by teleconference. This meeting, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, will be closed.

Music/NEA Jazz Masters (review of nominations): January 27, 2010, by teleconference. This meeting, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, will be closed.

Opera/NEA Opera Honors (review of nominations): February 2, 2010, by teleconference. This meeting, from 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m., will be closed.

Opera/NEA Opera Honors (review of nominations): February 2, 2010, by teleconference. This meeting, from 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m., will be closed.

American Masterpieces/Dance (application review): February 3–5, 2010 in Room 716. This meeting, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on February 3rd and 4th, and from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on February 5th, will be closed.

International (application review): February 17, 2010, by teleconference. This meeting, from 2 p.m. to 4:10 p.m., will be closed.

The closed portions of meetings are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendations on financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of November 10, 2009, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code. Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels that are open to the public, and if time allows, may be permitted to participate in the panel’s discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, 202/682–5532, TDY–TDD 202/682–5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to these meetings can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, or call 202/682–5691.


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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
[Docket No. 72–8; NRC–2010–0011]

Constellation Energy: Notice of Docketing of Special Nuclear Material License SNM–2505 Amendment Application for the Calvert Cliffs Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of license amendment application.

DATES: A request for hearing and/or petition for leave to intervene must be filed by March 15, 2010.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) is considering an application dated June 15, 2009, from Constellation Energy (Constellation) to amend its Special Nuclear Material License No. SNM–2505, under the provisions of 10 CFR Part 72, for the receipt, possession, storage, and transfer of spent fuel, reactor-related Greater than Class C
review letter dated July 21, 2009
(MLO92020003). If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737 or by e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov.

These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC’s PDR, O1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of January 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John Goshen,
Project Manager, Licensing Branch, Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguard.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–293; NRC–2010–0010]

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.; Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an amendment to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Part 50, Section 50.92, for Facility Operating License No. DPR–35, issued to Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy or the licensee), for operation of Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (Pilgrim), located in Plymouth County, MA. Therefore, as required by 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

The proposed action would revise the names on the plant license to match the names of the new companies. Entergy Nuclear Generation Company would be changed to Exenexus Nuclear Pilgrim, LLC. Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. would be changed to EquaGen Nuclear LLC.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee’s application dated September 30, 2008.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action for changing the name of the licensee results from restructuring of Entergy Corporation and the creation of Exenexus Energy Corporation as consented to by the NRC Order dated July 28, 2008.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC has completed its safety evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that: (1) There is a reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission’s regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

The details of the staff’s safety evaluation will be provided in the license amendment that will be issued as part of the letter to the licensee approving the license amendment.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents. No changes are being made in the types of effluents that may be released off site. There is no significant increase in the amount of any effluent released off site. There is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. There are no significant changes to the radiological and non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

In conclusion, the proposed action will not have a significant impact on the historic sites, the proposed action does not affect any significant non-radiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, there are no significant non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed action, the NRC staff considered denial of the proposed action (i.e., the “no-action” alternative). Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

The action does not involve the use of any different resources than those previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for Pilgrim, dated January 1972.