Government-Owned Inventions, Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability of inventions for licensing.

SUMMARY: Patent applications on the inventions listed below assigned to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, have been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and are available for licensing.

DATES: May 21, 2010.


NASA Case No.: LAR–17856–1: Flexible Thin Metal Film Thermal Sensing System.
Richard W. Sherman, Deputy General Counsel.

NASA Case No.: LAR–17756–1: Composite Pressure Vessel Including Crack Arresting Barrier.
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NASA Case No.: LAR–17724–1: Structural Health Monitoring System/Method Using Electroactive Polymer Fibers.

NASA Case No.: LAR–17738–1: Strain-Detecting Composite Materials.

NASA Case No.: LAR–17766–1: Closed-Loop Process Control for Electron Beam Freeform Fabrication and Deposition Processes.

NASA Case No.: MFS–32605–1–CIP: Neutron Guides and Methods of Fabrication.


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NASA Case No.: GSC–15464–1: Optical Wave-Front Recovery for Active and Adaptive Imaging Control.

NASA Case No. GSC–15732–1: Wind and Temperature Spectrometer with Crossed Small-Deflection Energy Analyzer.
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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NASA Case No. ARC–16407–1: Content Analysis to Detect High Stress in Oral Interviews and Text Documents.


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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Notice (52–011; NRC–2008–0252)]

Southern Nuclear Operating Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment to Early Site Permit Issued to Southern Nuclear Operating Company et al., for Vogtle Electric Generating Plant ESP Site Located in Burke County, GA

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an amendment to Early Site Permit (ESP) No. ESP–004, issued to Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) and several co-applicants (Georgia Power Company, Oglethorpe Power Corporation, Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia, and the City of Dalton, Georgia), for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (VEGP) ESP site located in Burke County, Georgia. The proposed amendment would modify the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant ESP site safety analysis report (SSAR) to allow the use of Category 1 and 2 backfill obtained from onsite borrow areas not specifically identified in the VEGP ESP SSAR.

NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this amendment 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. EA Summary

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to authorize a change to the early site permit issued to SNC for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant ESP site located in Burke County, Georgia. Specifically, the proposed amendment would modify the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant ESP site safety analysis report (SSAR) to allow the use of Category 1 and 2 backfill obtained from onsite borrow areas that were not specifically identified in the VEGP ESP SSAR. On April 20, 2010, as supplemented on April 23 and 28, and May 5, 10, and 13, 2010, SNC requested that NRC approve the proposed amendment. By letter dated May 13, 2010, the applicant requested that the NRC consider issuing a limited scope approval (LSA) of a subset of the requested onsite borrow locations pending the NRC determination on the remainder of the borrow sources identified in the license amendment request (LAR). The LSA request proposed NRC approval of SNC’s use of borrow material from certain onsite locations where impacts from site preparation activities were already anticipated and previously evaluated in NUREG–1872, “Final Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant Site.” SNC’s request for the proposed change was previously noticed in the Federal Register on May 6, 2010 (75 FR 24993), with a notice of an opportunity to request a hearing. The staff has prepared the EA in support of its review of the proposed license amendment. Because the LSA requests separate approval of a subset of the locations described by the LAR, this EA separately evaluates the activities associated with acquiring additional backfill from those onsite borrow sources and summarizes the radiological and non-radiological environmental impacts that may result from granting the LSA portion of the amendment request. The staff has determined that granting the proposed amendment would not result in significant non-radiological impacts to land use, surface and groundwater resources, terrestrial and aquatic resources, threatened and