NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Areva Enrichment Services, LLC
(Eagle Rock Enrichment Facility); Notice of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Reconstitution

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.313(c) and 2.321(b), the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (Board) in the above-captioned Areva Enrichment Services proceeding is hereby reconstituted by appointing Administrative Judge G. Paul Bollwerk, III, to serve as Board Chair in place of Administrative Judge Alex S. Karlin, whose other assignments have rendered him unavailable to participate in this proceeding.

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall continue to be filed in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule. See 10 CFR 2.302 et seq.

Issued at Rockville, Maryland, this 24th day of August 2010.

E. Roy Hawken,
Chief Administrative Judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel.

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[NRC–2010–0287]

Draft Regulatory Guide: Issuance, Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing for public comment a draft guide in the agency’s “Regulatory Guide” series. This series was developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific aspects of the NRC’s regulations, techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The draft regulatory guide (DG) is temporarily identified by its task number, DG–8035, which should be mentioned in all related correspondence. DG–8035 is proposed Revision 1 of Regulatory Guide 8.2, dated August 1973. This guide provides general guidance that the staff of the NRC considers acceptable for the administrative practices associated with surveys and monitoring of ionizing radiation in licensed institutions, intended primarily for administrative and management personnel in organizations that are involved in, or are planning to initiate, activities involving the handling of radioactive materials or radiation.

The administrative requirements for radiation monitoring are mainly specified in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 20, “Standards for Protection against Radiation” (10 CFR part 20), and are applicable to all NRC-licensed activities. This part requires surveys in order to evaluate the significance of radiation levels that may be present. In addition, it requires radiation monitoring in order to obtain measurements for the evaluation of potential exposures and doses.

II. Further Information

The NRC staff is soliciting comments on DG–8035. Comments may be accompanied by relevant information or supporting data and should mention DG–8035 in the subject line. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available to the public in their entirety through the NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). Comments would be most helpful if received by October 29, 2010. Comments received after that date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any one of the following methods. Please include docket ID NRC–2010–0287 in the subject line of your comments. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be posted on the NRC Web site and on the Federal rulemaking Web site, Regulations.gov. Because your comments will not be edited to remove
any identifying or contact information, the NRC cautions you against including any information in your submission that you do not want to be publicly disclosed.

The NRC requests that any party soliciting or aggregating comments received from other persons for submission to the NRC inform those persons that the NRC will not edit their comments to remove any identifying or contact information, and therefore, they should not include any information in their comments that they do not want publicly disclosed.


Mail comments to: Cindy Bladey, Chief, Rules, Announcements, and Directives Branch (RAD), Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWE–05–B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, or by fax to RAD at (301) 492–3446.

You can access publicly available documents related to this notice using the following methods:

NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR): The public may examine and have copied for a fee publicly available documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room O1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC are available electronically at the NRC’s Electronic Reading Room at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. From this page, the public can gain entry into ADAMS, which provides text and image files of NRC’s public documents. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC’s PDR reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by e-mail to prd.resource@nrc.gov. DG–8035 is available electronically under ADAMS Accession Number ML100680456. In addition, electronic copies of DG–8035 are available through the NRC’s public Web site under Draft Regulatory Guides in the “Regulatory Guides” collection of the NRC’s Electronic Reading Room at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/. The regulatory analysis may be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML102310331.

Federal Rulemaking Web site: Public comments and supporting materials related to this notice can be found at http://www.regulations.gov by searching on Docket ID: NRC–2010–0287.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of August 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Harriet Karagiannis,
Acting Chief, Regulatory Guide Development Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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Nebraska Public Power District; Cooper Nuclear Station; Exemption

1.0 Background

Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD or the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR–46 which authorizes operation of the Cooper Nuclear Station (CNS). The license provides, among other things, that the facility is subject to the rules, regulations, and orders of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) now or hereafter in effect. The facility consists of a boiling-water reactor located in Nemaha County, Nebraska.

2.0 Request/Action

Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), part 73, “Physical protection of plants and materials,” section 73.55, “Requirements for physical protection of licensed activities in nuclear power reactors against radiological sabotage,” published in the Federal Register on March 27, 2009 (74 FR 13926–13993), effective May 26, 2009, with a full implementation date of March 31, 2010, requires licensees to protect, with high assurance, against radiological sabotage by designing and implementing comprehensive site security programs. The amendments to 10 CFR 73.55 published on March 27, 2009, establish and update generally applicable security requirements similar to those previously imposed by Commission orders issued after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and implemented by licensees. In addition, the amendments to 10 CFR 73.55 include additional requirements to further enhance site security based upon insights gained from the implementation of the post September 11, 2001, security orders. By letter dated February 26, 2010, the NRC granted NPPD an exemption from the March 31, 2010, implementation date until August 31, 2010, for three of these additional requirements. NPPD now seeks an exemption from the August 31, 2010, implementation date until December 31, 2010, for the same three additional requirements. All other physical security requirements established by this recent rulemaking have already been implemented by the licensee.

By application dated July 7, 2010, as supplemented by letter dated July 20, 2010, the licensee requested an exemption in accordance with 10 CFR 73.5, “Specific exemptions.” The licensee’s letter contains security-related information and, accordingly, those portions are not available to the public. The licensee has requested an exemption from the August 31, 2010, implementation date, stating that it must complete a number of modifications to the current site security configuration before all requirements can be met. Specifically, the request is for three requirements that would be met by December 31, 2010, instead of the August 31, 2010, deadline. Granting this exemption for the three items would allow the licensee to complete the modifications designed to update aging equipment and incorporate state-of-the-art technology to meet or exceed the regulatory requirements.

3.0 Discussion of Part 73 Schedule Exemptions From the March 31, 2010, Full Implementation Date

Pursuant to 10 CFR 73.55(a)(1), “By March 31, 2010, each nuclear power reactor licensee, licensed under 10 CFR part 50, shall implement the requirements of this section through its Commission-approved Physical Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and Cyber Security Plan referred to collectively hereafter as ‘security plans.’” Pursuant to 10 CFR 73.5, the Commission may, upon application by any interested person or upon its own initiative, grant exemptions from the requirements of 10 CFR part 73 when the exemptions are authorized by law, and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and are otherwise in the public interest. By letter dated February 26, 2010 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML100191000), the NRC approved an exemption that allowed NPPD an extension from March 31, 2010, until August 31, 2010, of the implementation date for three specific requirements of that rule.

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