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OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

5 CFR Part 1820

Revision of Regulations Governing Freedom of Information Act Requests and Appeals, and Revision of Touhy Regulations Governing Release of Information in Response to Legal Proceedings; Correction

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Special Counsel.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the Overview of Comments Received section to a final rule published in the *Federal Register* as of October 24, 2016, regarding Revision of Regulations Governing Freedom of Information Act Requests and Appeals, and Revision of Touhy Regulations Governing Release of Information in Response to Legal Proceedings. This correction addresses the final paragraph of Section II, Overview of Comments Received, which should be disregarded or removed.

DATES: Effective November 7, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Beckett, Senior Litigation Counsel, U.S. Office of Special Counsel, (202) 254-3657.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In final rule FR Doc. 2016-23215, appearing on page 73015 in the issue of October 24, 2016, make the following correction in the Overview of Comments Received section of the final rule. On page 73016, in the second column, remove the last paragraph of the Comments Received section.

Dated: October 31, 2016.

Bruce Gipe,
Chief Operating Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 72

[NRC-2016-0103]

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List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Holtec International HI-STORM Flood/Wind Multipurpose Canister Storage System, Amendment No. 2

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is confirming the effective date of November 7, 2016, for the direct final rule that was published in the *Federal Register* on August 23, 2016. The direct final rule amended the NRC's spent fuel storage regulations by revising the "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks" to include Amendment No. 2 to Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1032 for the Holtec International (Holtec) HI-STORM Flood/Wind (FW) Multipurpose Canister (MPC) Storage System.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The effective date of November 7, 2016, for the direct final rule published August 23, 2016 (81 FR 57442), is confirmed.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2016-0103 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2016-0103. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS,

please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that it is mentioned in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vanessa Cox, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-8342 or email: Vanessa.Cox@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 23, 2016 (81 FR 57442), the NRC published a direct final rule amending § 72.214 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) by revising the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" to include Amendment No. 2 to CoC No. 1032 for the Holtec HI-STORM FW MPC Storage System. Amendment No. 2 adds new fuel types to the HI-STORM FW MPC Storage System, adds new criticality calculations, updates an existing fuel type description, includes changes previously incorporated in Amendment No. 0 to CoC No. 1032, Revision 1, and makes clarifying changes to a CoC condition. In the direct final rule, the NRC stated that if no significant adverse comments were received, the direct final rule would become effective on November 7, 2016. As described more fully in the direct final rule, a significant adverse comment is a comment where the commenter explains why the rule would be inappropriate, including challenges to the rule's underlying premise or approach, or would be ineffective or unacceptable without a change.

The NRC received two comments on the direct final rule (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML16252A336 and ML16271A024). As described below, the NRC determined that these were not significant adverse comments and did not make any changes to the direct final rule as a result of the public comments.

One comment stated "good." The NRC determined that this comment does not meet the criteria of significant and adverse because it does not explain why

the rule is inappropriate. The other comment contained general statements and questions about dry cask storage systems manufactured by Holtec and used overseas, Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installations, and the infrastructure for the transportation of spent fuel. The NRC determined that this general comment about spent fuel storage and transportation is not within the scope of the direct final rule, which is limited to the specific changes contained in Amendment No. 2 to CoC No. 1032. Therefore, because no significant adverse comments were received, the direct final rule will become effective as scheduled. The final CoC, Technical Specifications, and Safety Evaluation Report can be viewed in ADAMS under Accession No. ML16280A008.

Dated: November 1, 2016.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Cindy Bladey,

Chief, Rules, Announcements, and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Chapter I

[NRC-2014-0221]

NRC Enforcement Policy

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Policy revision; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a revision to its Enforcement Policy (Policy) to incorporate changes approved by the Commission.

DATES: This revision is effective on November 7, 2016. The NRC is not soliciting comments on this revision to its Policy at this time.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2014-0221 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2014-0221. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER**

INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

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The NRC maintains the Enforcement Policy on its Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov>: under the heading "Popular Documents," select "Enforcement Actions," then under "Enforcement" in the left side column, select "Enforcement Policy." The revised Enforcement Policy is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML16271A446.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The mission of the NRC is to license and regulate the Nation's civilian use of byproduct, source, and special nuclear material to ensure adequate protection of public health and safety, promote the common defense and security, and protect the environment. The NRC supports this mission through its use of its Policy. Adequate protection is presumptively assured by compliance with the NRC's regulations, and the Policy contains the basic procedures used to assess and disposition apparent violations of the NRC's requirements.

The NRC initially published the Policy in the **Federal Register** on October 7, 1980 (45 FR 66754). Since its initial publication, the Policy has been revised on a number of occasions to address changing requirements and lessons learned. The most recent Policy revision is dated August 1, 2016. That revision reflects the new maximum civil

penalty amount that the NRC can assess for a violation of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (AEA), or any regulation or order issued under the AEA.

This current revision to the Policy incorporates lessons learned along with miscellaneous clarifications and additions. These revisions include a rewrite of Section 6.13, "Information Security," to incorporate a risk-informed approach for assessing the significance of information security violations; the implementation of the Construction Reactor Oversight Process (cROP); and miscellaneous revisions to: (1) The Glossary; (2) violation examples; and (3) Section 2.3.4, "Civil Penalty."

The NRC provided an opportunity for the public to comment on these Policy revisions in a document published in the **Federal Register** on October 9, 2014 (79 FR 61107). The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) was the only stakeholder that submitted comments (ADAMS Accession No. ML14364A020).

II. Revisions to the Enforcement Policy

1. Construction Reactor Oversight Process (cROP)

a. Table of Contents

The NRC is revising the Table of Contents to incorporate the implementation of the cROP into the Policy. This requires a revision to the titles of Sections 2.2.3 and 2.2.4. In addition to the revision discussed below, there are also other miscellaneous cROP related reference revisions throughout the Policy.

b. Section 2.2 "Assessment of Violations"

Section 2.2 is modified to include the cROP, and remove the specificity which allows for the use of the significance determination process (SDP), not only for facilities under construction, but for independent spent fuel storage installations when an SDP is developed.

Revision

After a violation is identified, the NRC assesses its severity or significance (both actual and potential). Under traditional enforcement, the severity level (SL) assigned to the violation generally reflects the assessment of the significance of a violation. For most violations committed by power reactor licensees, the significance of a violation is assessed using the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) or the Construction Reactor Oversight Process (cROP), as discussed below in Section 2.2.3, "Assessment of Violations Identified Under the ROP or cROP." All other violations at power reactors or power