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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 72

[NRC-2016-0254]

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List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: TN Americas LLC, NUHOMS® EOS Dry Spent Fuel Storage System, Certificate of Compliance No. 1042; Correction

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published a direct final rule in the **Federal Register** on March 24, 2017, that amended NRC's spent fuel storage regulations by adding the TN Americas LLC, NUHOMS® Extended Optimized Storage (EOS) Dry Spent Fuel Storage System to the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" as Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1042. This action is necessary to correct the certificate expiration date.

DATES: The correction is effective July 25, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2016-0254 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-2016-0254. 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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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NRC published a direct final rule in the **Federal Register** on March 24, 2017 (82 FR 14991), which added the TN Americas LLC NUHOMS® EOS Dry Spent Fuel Storage System to the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" as CoC No. 1042. The direct final rule was effective on June 7, 2017. The CoC expiration date listed in the direct final rule was incorrect. This document corrects the CoC expiration date.

Rulemaking Procedure

Under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553(b)), an agency may waive the normal notice and comment requirements if it finds, for good cause, that they are impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest. As authorized by 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(B), the NRC finds good cause to waive notice and opportunity for comment on the amendment because it will have no substantive impact and is of a minor and administrative nature dealing with a correction to a CFR section related only to management, organization, procedure, and practice. Specifically, this amendment is to correct an editorial error. This amendment does not require action by any person or entity regulated by the NRC. Also, this final rule does not change the substantive responsibilities of any person or entity regulated by the NRC. Accordingly, for the reasons

stated, the NRC finds, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), that good cause exists to make this rule effective upon publication.

List of Subjects in 10 CFR Part 72

Administrative practice and procedures, Criminal penalties, Hazardous waste, Indians, Intergovernmental relations, Manpower training programs, Nuclear energy, Nuclear materials, Occupational safety and health, Penalties, Radiation protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Spent fuel, Whistleblowing.

For the reasons set out in the preamble and under the authority of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended; the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended; the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended; and 5 U.S.C. 552 and 553; the NRC is adopting the following amendment to 10 CFR part 72:

PART 72—LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INDEPENDENT STORAGE OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL, HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE, AND REACTOR-RELATED GREATER THAN CLASS C WASTE

■ 1. The authority citation for part 72 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Atomic Energy Act of 1954, secs. 51, 53, 57, 62, 63, 65, 69, 81, 161, 182, 183, 184, 186, 187, 189, 223, 234, 274 (42 U.S.C. 2071, 2073, 2077, 2092, 2093, 2095, 2099, 2111, 2201, 2210e, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2273, 2282, 2021); Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, secs. 201, 202, 206, 211 (42 U.S.C. 5841, 5842, 5846, 5851); National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332); Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, secs. 117(a), 132, 133, 134, 135, 137, 141, 145(g), 148, 218(a) (42 U.S.C. 10137(a), 10152, 10153, 10154, 10155, 10157, 10161, 10165(g), 10168, 10198(a)); 44 U.S.C. 3504 note.

■ 2. In § 72.214, Certificate of Compliance 1042 is revised to read as follows:

§ 72.214 List of approved spent fuel storage casks.

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Certificate Number: 1042.

Initial Certificate Effective Date: June 7, 2017.

SAR Submitted by: TN Americas LLC.
SAR Title: Final Safety Analysis Report for the NUHOMS® EOS Dry Spent Fuel Storage System.

Docket Number: 72–1042.

Certificate Expiration Date: June 7, 2037.

Model Number: EOS–37PTH, EOS–89BTH.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of July, 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Cindy Bladey,

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

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

12 CFR Part 1223

RIN 2590–AA78

Minority and Women Inclusion Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Agency.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA) amended the Federal Housing Enterprises Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992 (Safety and Soundness Act) to require the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) (together, the Enterprises), and the Federal Home Loan Banks (Banks or Bank System) and the Bank System’s Office of Finance (collectively, the regulated entities) to promote diversity and ensure the inclusion of minorities and women in all business and activities at all levels, including management, employment, and contracting. The Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) is issuing this final rule amending its regulations on minority and women inclusion (MWI) to clarify the scope of the regulated entities’ obligation. The final rule requires the regulated entities to: Adopt strategic plans to promote the inclusion of minorities-, women-, and disabled individuals, and the businesses they own (MWDOB); amend their policies on equal employment opportunity (EEO) to include sexual orientation, gender identity, and status as a parent; and enhance the usefulness of information the regulated entities report to FHFA on their efforts to advance diversity and inclusion (D&I).

DATES: This rule is effective August 24, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharron P.A. Levine, Director, Office of

Minority and Women Inclusion, Sharron.Levine@fhfa.gov, (202) 649–3496; or James Jordan, Assistant General Counsel, James.Jordan@fhfa.gov, (202) 649–3075 (not toll-free numbers), Federal Housing Finance Agency, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20219. The telephone number for the Telecommunications Device for the Hearing Impaired is (800) 877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

A. Statutory Background

Section 1116 of HERA¹ amended section 1319A of the Safety and Soundness Act to require, in part, that each regulated entity establish an Office of Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWI), responsible for carrying out all matters relating to diversity in the management, employment, and business activities of the entity. Section 1116 of HERA mandates that each regulated entity² implement standards for promoting diversity in all its business and activities, and submit an annual report to FHFA detailing related actions taken during the preceding year. Additionally, 12 U.S.C. 1833e(b),³ and Executive Order (E.O.)11478,⁴ require the regulated entities to promote EEO.

B. Regulatory History

The following FHFA rulemaking activities implement section 1116 of HERA, 12 U.S.C. 1833e, and E.O. 11478, as amended.

1. 2010 Minority and Women Inclusion Rulemaking (MWI Rule)

FHFA adopted a final rule in December 2010, establishing the minimum requirements for the regulated entities’ diversity programs and reporting requirements.⁵ The regulations, located at 12 CFR part 1223,⁶ require each regulated entity to

¹ Public Law 110–289, 122 Stat. 2654, enacted July 30, 2008.

² For readability, where the preamble refers to a “regulated entity” or the “regulated entities” the provisions apply equally to the Office of Finance, unless such application would conflict with a statute or regulation that specifically distinguishes the treatment of the Office of Finance from the regulated entities.

³ See Public Law 101–73, title XII, sec. 1216, Aug. 9, 1989, 103 Stat. 529; Public Law 102–233, title III, sec. 302(a), Dec. 12, 1991; Public Law 110–289, div. A, title II, sec. 1216(g), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2793; Public Law 111–203, title III, sec. 367(9), July 21, 2010, 124 Stat. 1557.

⁴ E.O. 11478—Equal Employment Opportunity in the Federal Government, August 8, 1969, as amended.

⁵ See 75 FR 81395 (December 28, 2010).

⁶ These regulations were formerly located at 12 CFR part 1207. On March 24, 2017, FHFA’s Minority Outreach Program (MWOP) rulemaking redesignated the MWI regulation as part 1223 of

submit a detailed annual report to FHFA’s Director summarizing their D&I activities during the preceding reporting year. Part 1223 also provides that, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 4517, FHFA’s Director may conduct examinations of a regulated entity’s compliance.

2. 2015 Board Diversity Amendments to the MWI Rule

In 2015, FHFA amended the MWI Rule to require the Banks and the Office of Finance to report annually on demographic information related to their boards of directors.⁷

3. 2016 Strategic Planning Proposed Amendments to the MWI Rule (2016 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking or “2016 NPRM” or “the Proposed Amendments”)⁸

FHFA published the 2016 NPRM in the **Federal Register** on October 27, 2016, to amend the MWI rule. The Proposed Amendments require the regulated entities to adopt strategies for promoting diversity and ensuring inclusion. The Proposed Amendments specifically would: (i) Encourage the regulated entities to provide subcontracting (tier 2) opportunities for MWDOBs; (ii) require the regulated entities to amend their EEO policies by adding sexual orientation, gender identity, and status as a parent to the list of protected classes; (iii) affirm that the regulated entities may expand the scope of their outreach and inclusion programs beyond the requirements of part 1223 (to include, for example, veterans, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender (LGBT) outreach); (iv) require the regulated entities to provide additional information on their MWI efforts; and (v) add, revise, or remove several definitions in order to clarify the existing and new reporting requirements.

The public comment period for the Proposed Amendments closed on December 27, 2016. FHFA received 31 comments (including comments from Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, the Bank System and their Presidents and Chief Executive Officers, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), trade associations, non-profit organizations, potential vendors, and individual members of the public). Twenty commenters expressed support for the proposed amendments, three expressly opposed them, and the

title 12 of the CFR and the new MWOP regulation as part 1207, in order to organize all FHFA regulations related to FHFA’s Organization & Operations in subchapter A, and those regulations related to Regulated Entities in subchapter B.

⁷ See 80 FR 25209 (May 4, 2015).

⁸ See 80 FR 74731 (October 27, 2015).