

United States v. Honeywell International Inc., Civil Action No. 5:17-cv-01344-FJS-DEP. In a civil action filed under Section 107(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a) (CERCLA), on December 14, 2017, the United States sought recovery from Honeywell International Inc. (“Honeywell”) of costs of response action at the Onondaga Lake Superfund Site (Site) in Syracuse, New York. The proposed Consent Decree resolves the liability of defendant Honeywell for response costs incurred by the United States in connection with the Site.

The proposed Consent Decree requires Honeywell to pay \$7.3 million in reimbursement of response costs incurred by the United States with respect to the Site. The proposed Consent Decree provides Honeywell with a covenant not to sue for response costs incurred by the United States in connection with the Site through the date of lodging of the Consent Decree. Honeywell previously entered into a settlement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) that required Honeywell to perform a cleanup of the Lake Bottom portion of the Site.

The proposed Consent Decree also resolves the liability of other potentially responsible parties (“Other Settling Parties”) who have previously settled (or may settle in the future) with Honeywell, and the United States provides the Other Settling Parties with a covenant not to sue for certain of the costs incurred by the United States in connection with the Site. The Other Settling Parties also agree to provide a covenant not to sue the United States for certain costs and natural resource damages in connection with the Site.

The proposed Consent Decree also resolves Honeywell’s claim against the United States under Section 113(f) of CERCLA and requires the United States to reimburse Honeywell \$6.25 million of Honeywell’s costs incurred in cleaning up the Site. Honeywell alleges that certain federal agencies were liable for the disposal of contaminants at the Site during World War II. Under the proposed Consent Decree, Honeywell provides the United States with a covenant not to sue for response costs and natural resource damages incurred or to be incurred by Honeywell in connection with the Site.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the Consent Decree. Please address comments to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division and refer to *United*

States v. Honeywell International Inc. D.J. Ref. No. 90–11–3–08348. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

| To submit comments: | Send them to: |
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| By email | <i>pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov</i> |
| By mail | Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044–7611. |

During the public comment period, the Consent Decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <http://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the Consent Decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044–7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$10.75 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

Robert E. Maher, Jr.,

Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permits issued.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, ACA Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; 703–292–8030; email: ACApermits@nsf.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 27, 2017, the National Science Foundation published notices in the **Federal Register** of a permit applications received. The permits were issued on December 15, 2017 to:

1. Cory Wolff, Permit No. 2018–023
2. Joseph A. Covi, Permit No. 2018–024

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Polar Coordination Specialist, Office of Polar Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 70–1257; NRC–2017–0148]

AREVA, Inc.; Richland, Washington; Indirect Transfer of License; Order

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Indirect transfer of license; order.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an Order approving the indirect transfer of several licenses. AREVA, Inc., is the holder of materials license no. SNM–1227, which authorizes the possession and use of special nuclear material (SNM) at the AREVA, Inc. site in Richland, Washington. AREVA, Inc. is also the holder of export license nos. XSNM3551, XSNM3697, XSNM3747, XSOU8833, XCOM1202, XW015, XCOM1304, XSNM3780, XSNM3781, XSNM3782, and import license no. IW009 which authorize the import and export of licensed materials/ components to and from facilities in the United States. The Order approves the indirect transfer of control of the above licenses resulting from a planned reorganization of AREVA, Inc.’s parent company and the sale of part of the parent company. There will be no direct transfer of control because AREVA, Inc. will continue to be the license holder. The Order became effective upon issuance.

DATES: The Order was issued on November 14, 2017, and is applicable until March 31, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2017–0148 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 website:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2017–0148. 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 this document. In addition, for the convenience of the reader, the ADAMS accession numbers are provided in a table in the "Availability of Documents" section of this document.

• *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: Kevin M. Ramsey, Office of Nuclear

Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-7506, email: Kevin.Ramsey@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Order is attached.

Availability of Documents

The documents identified in the following table are available to interested persons through one or more of the following methods, as indicated.

| Document | ADAMS Accession No. |
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| Letter dated April 14, 2017, titled "AREVA Internal Reorganization and Indirect Transfer to EDF: Request for NRC Consent to License Transfers". | ML17108A259 |
| Letter dated July 14, 2017, titled "AREVA Internal Reorganization and Indirect Transfer to EDF: Request for NRC Consent to License Transfers". | ML17200C949 |
| Letter dated August 31, 2017, titled "Response to a Request for Additional Information Regarding Application for NRC Consent to License Transfers". | ML17265A374 |
| Letter dated October 4, 2017, titled "Update to Request for NRC Consent to License Transfers" | ML17283A110 |
| Letter dated November 14, 2017, titled "AREVA, Inc.—Order Approving Indirect Transfer of Control of Licenses" | ML17269A246 |

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13th day of December, 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Robert K. Johnson,

Chief, Fuel Manufacturing Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety, Safeguards, and Environmental Review, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

Attachment—Order Approving Indirect Transfer of Control of License

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Docket Nos. 70-1257, 110-6288, 110-5623, 110-5959, 110-6110, 110-6153, 110-5788, 110-5149, 110-5789, 110-6231, 110-6265, 110-6267; License Nos. SNM-1227, XSNM3782, XSNM3551, XSNM3697, XSNM3747, XSOU8833, XCOM1202, IW009, XW015, XCOM1304, XSNM3780, XSNM3781

In the Matter of AREVA, Inc., Richland, Washington

ORDER APPROVING INDIRECT TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF LICENSE

I

AREVA, Inc., is the holder of materials license no. SNM-1227, which authorizes the possession and use of special nuclear material (SNM) at the AREVA, Inc. site in Richland, Washington. AREVA, Inc. is also the holder of export license nos. XSNM3551, XSNM3697, XSNM3747, XSOU8833, XCOM1202, XW015, XCOM1304, XSNM3780, XSNM3781, XSNM3782, and import license no. IW009 which authorize the import and export of licensed materials/components to and from facilities in the United States.

II

By letter dated April 14, 2017, and supplemented by letters dated July 14,

August 31, and October 4, 2017 (collectively the Application), AREVA, Inc. requested the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) approval of the indirect transfer of control of the licenses listed above. The indirect transfer of control would result from a planned reorganization of AREVA SA to create a new, wholly-owned subsidiary and the sale of controlling interest in the new subsidiary to Electricite de France (EDF). AREVA SA, a company organized under the laws of France, is the ultimate parent company of AREVA NP SAS, a company organized under the laws of France and the current intermediate parent of AREVA, Inc. After the reorganization is complete, AREVA NP SAS will have a new, wholly-owned subsidiary called New NP SA. AREVA, Inc. will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of New NP SA, which in turn will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of AREVA NP SAS and indirect subsidiary of AREVA SA. AREVA SA will transfer controlling interest in New NP SA to EDF, a company organized under the laws of France. AREVA, Inc. will be an indirect subsidiary of EDF. The transaction will thus involve the indirect transfer of control over AREVA, Inc.'s NRC-issued licenses.

There will be no direct transfer of control because AREVA, Inc. will continue to be the license holder. There will be no change in the management or technical personnel responsible for licensed activities. The current safety, security, and licensing organizations within AREVA, Inc. will remain unchanged. Additionally, there are no planned changes in the operational organization, location, facilities, equipment, or procedures associated with the NRC licenses, and there will be no changes in AREVA, Inc. operating procedures, emergency procedures, or decommissioning financial assurance. Because the licensee remains the same, there will be no physical

transfer of any records. All records concerning the safe and effective decommissioning of the facility, public dose, and waste disposal will remain physically located, maintained, and available at the Richland, Washington, site. EDF will abide by, and be ultimately responsible for meeting, all commitments and representations previously made by AREVA, Inc. with respect to the licenses listed above. These include, but are not limited to, maintaining decommissioning records, implementing decontamination activities, and eventually decommissioning the facilities and site. No physical or operational changes affecting the AREVA site and licensed activities were proposed in the Application.

Approval of the change of control was requested pursuant to Section 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Sections 70.36 and 110.50. A notice of receipt of the Application and opportunity to request a hearing and provide written comments was published in the **Federal Register** on June 9, 2017 (82 FR 29586-29588). No comments or requests for a hearing were received in response to the notice. A corrected notice was published on November 8, 2017 (82 FR 51880-51883), to add several export licenses omitted from the original Application.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 70.36, no 10 CFR part 70 license shall be transferred, assigned, or in any manner disposed of, either voluntarily or involuntarily, directly or indirectly, unless the NRC, after securing full information, finds that the transfer is in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and gives its consent in writing. Pursuant to 10 CFR 110.50, a specific license under Part 110 may be transferred, disposed of, or assigned to another person only with the approval of the Commission. After review of the information

in the Application, and relying on the representations and agreements contained in the Application, the NRC staff has determined that EDF is qualified to hold the ownership interests previously held by AREVA NP SAS, and that the transfers of ownership and operating interests to EDF, described in the Application, are otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and previous NRC orders. These findings are subject to the conditions set forth below. The NRC staff further finds that: (1) The requested change of control will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and (2) the change of control will be in accordance with 10 CFR part 51 of the NRC's environmental regulations, and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

The findings set forth above are supported by the NRC's Safety Evaluation Report issued with this Order.

III

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, 183, and 184 of the Act; 42 U.S.C. 2201(b), 2201(i), 2233, and 2234; and 10 CFR 70.36 and 110.50, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application regarding the indirect transfer of control over licenses listed above from AREVA SA to EDF is approved, subject to the following conditions:

1. With respect to the licenses listed above, EDF, as stated in the Application, will abide by all commitments and representations previously made by AREVA, Inc. These include, are not limited to, maintaining decommissioning records and financial assurance, implementing decontamination activities, and eventually decommissioning the site.

2. The commitments/representations made in the Application regarding reporting relationships and authority over safety and security issues and compliance with NRC requirements shall be adhered to and may not be modified without the prior written consent from the Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, or his designee.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that AREVA, Inc. at least one (1) business day before all actions necessary to accomplish the indirect transfer of control are completed shall so inform the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, in writing. If the necessary supporting actions have not been completed by March 31, 2018, this Order shall become null and void; provided, however, that, upon timely written application and for good cause shown, such completion date may be extended by further Order.

This Order is effective on issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see the initial Application listed in Section II above, and the Safety Evaluation Report supporting this action, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1-F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, and accessible, electronically, through the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room,

on the internet the NRC website <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR reference staff, by telephone, at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or via email, to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated and issued this 14th day of November, 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Marc L. Dapas,

Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2017-0166]

Information Collection: Registration Certificate—In Vitro Testing With Byproduct Material Under General License

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission to the Office of Management and Budget; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted a request for renewal of an existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The information collection is entitled, NRC Form 483, Registration Certificate—“*In Vitro* Testing With Byproduct Material Under General License.”

DATES: Submit comments by January 19, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments directly to the OMB reviewer at: Brandon DeBruhl, Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0038), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503; telephone: 202-395-0710, email: oira_submission@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Cullison, NRC Clearance Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2084; email: INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2017-0166 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 website:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2017-0166.
- **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 supporting statement and the revised NRC Form 483 are available in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML17348B437 and ML17300B398, respectively.

- **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.

- **NRC's Clearance Officer:** A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by contacting the NRC's Clearance Officer, David Cullison, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-2084; email: INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@nrc.gov.

B. Submitting Comments

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC posts all comment submissions at <http://www.regulations.gov> as well as entering the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the OMB, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment submissions into ADAMS.

Background

Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44