

demonstrates a violation of awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, regulations, or executive orders relating to discrimination, sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault; and/or (2) if the PI or any Co-I is placed on administrative leave or if any administrative action has been imposed on the PI or any Co-I by the awardee relating to any finding/determination or an investigation of an alleged violation of awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, regulations, or executive orders relating to discrimination, sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault.<sup>2</sup> Such notification must be submitted by the Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR) to NASA's Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity at [civilrightsinfo@nasa.gov](mailto:civilrightsinfo@nasa.gov) within ten business days from the date of the finding/determination, or the date of the placement of a PI or Co-I by the awardee on administrative leave or the imposition of an administrative action, whichever is sooner.<sup>3</sup>

Each notification must include the following information:

- NASA Award Number;
- Name of PI or Co-I being reported;<sup>4</sup>

*Type of Notification:* Select one of the following:

- Finding/Determination that the reported individual has been found to have violated awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, regulations, or executive orders relating to discrimination, sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault;
- or
- Placement by the awardee of the reported individual on administrative leave or the imposition of any administrative action on the PI or any Co-I by the awardee relating to any finding/determination, or an investigation of an alleged violation of awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, regulations, or executive orders relating to sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault.

<sup>2</sup> Awardee findings/determinations and placement of a PI or Co-I on administrative leave or the imposition of an administrative action must be conducted in accordance with organizational policies and processes. They also must be conducted in accordance with federal laws, regulations, and executive orders.

<sup>3</sup> Such notification must be provided regardless of whether the behavior leading to the finding/determination, or placement on administrative leave, or the imposition of an administrative action occurred while the PI or Co-I was carrying out award activities.

<sup>4</sup> Only the identification of the PI or Co-I is required. Personally identifiable information regarding any complainants or other individuals involved in the matter must not be included in the notification.

The awardee must also provide:

- A description of the finding/determination and action(s) taken, if any; and/or
- The reason(s) for, and conditions of placement of the PI or any Co-I on administrative action.

The awardee, at any time, may propose a substitute investigator if it determines the PI or any Co-I may not be able to carry out the funded project or activity and/or abide by the award terms and conditions.

In reviewing the notification, NASA will consider, at a minimum, the following factors:

- a. The safety and security of personnel supported by the NASA award;
- b. The overall impact to the NASA-funded activity;
- c. The continued advancement of taxpayer-funded investments in science and scientists; and
- d. Whether the awardee has taken appropriate action(s) to ensure the continuity of science and that continued progress under the funded project can be made.

Upon receipt and review of the information provided, NASA will consult with the AOR, or designee. Based on the results of this review and consultation, the Agency may, if necessary and in accordance with 2 CFR 200.338, assert its programmatic stewardship responsibilities and oversight authority to initiate the substitution or removal of the PI or any Co-I, reduce the award funding amount, or where neither of those previous options is available or adequate, to suspend or terminate the award.

Other personnel supported by a NASA award must likewise remain in full compliance with awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, regulations, or executive orders relating to sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, or sexual assault. With regard to any personnel not in compliance, the awardee must make appropriate arrangements to ensure the safety and security of other award personnel and the continued progress of the funded project. Notification of these actions is not required under this term and condition.

#### *End of Proposed Term and Condition Implementation*

Upon receipt and resolution of all comments, it is NASA's intention to implement the new term through revision of the NASA Agency Specific Requirements to the Research Terms and Conditions, the Grant General Conditions, and the Cooperative

Agreement—Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions. These revised terms and conditions will become effective thirty days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register** and will be available in the NASA Grants and Cooperative Agreement Manual (GCAM).

The new term and condition will be applied to all new NASA awards and funding amendments to existing awards made on or after the effective date. This new reporting requirement will apply to all findings/determinations that occur on or after the effective date of the terms and conditions. With regard to notification of placement on administrative leave, the awardee must notify NASA within seven business days from the date the awardee determines that placement on administrative leave is necessary.

Awardees are strongly encouraged to conduct a thorough review of the term and condition to determine whether the new requirements necessitate any changes to the institution's policies and procedures. The new term and condition will be effective for any new award, or funding amendment to an existing award, made on or after the effective date. For these purposes, this means that any finding/determination, placement on administrative leave or the imposition of any administrative action by the institution made on or after the start date of an award or funding amendment subject to the new term will invoke the new notification requirements.

**Nanette Smith,**

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## **NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD**

### **Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2019.

**PLACE:** NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20594.

**STATUS:** The one item is open to the public.

#### **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

59351 Railroad Accident Report—Amtrak Passenger Train Head-on Collision with Stationary CSX Freight Train, Cayce, South Carolina, February 4, 2018.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Candi Bing at (202) 314-6403 or by email at [bingc@ntsb.gov](mailto:bingc@ntsb.gov).

*Media Information Contact:* Keith Holloway by email at [hollowk@ntsb.gov](mailto:hollowk@ntsb.gov) or Eric Weiss by email at [eric.weiss@ntsb.gov](mailto:eric.weiss@ntsb.gov) or at (202) 314-6100.

The press and public may enter the NTSB Conference Center one hour prior to the meeting for set up and seating.

Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Rochelle McCallister at (202) 314-6305 or by email at [Rochelle.McCallister@ntsb.gov](mailto:Rochelle.McCallister@ntsb.gov) by Wednesday, July 17, 2019.

The public may view the meeting via a live or archived webcast by accessing a link under “News & Events” on the NTSB home page at [www.ntsb.gov](http://www.ntsb.gov).

Schedule updates, including weather-related cancellations, are also available at [www.ntsb.gov](http://www.ntsb.gov).

The National Transportation Safety Board is holding the meeting under the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b).

Dated: July 8, 2019.

**LaSean McCray,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 72-30, 50-309, and 72-1015; NRC-2019-0116]

### Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company; Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Exemption; safety evaluation and environmental assessment with finding of no significant impact; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing four exemptions requested by Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company (Maine Yankee). The requested exemptions are from NRC regulations that require compliance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1015 for the NAC-UMS<sup>®</sup> spent fuel storage system at Maine Yankee’s Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI). Maine Yankee currently stores sixty NAC-UMS<sup>®</sup> System canisters under Amendment No. 5 to CoC No. 1015. In order to adopt Amendment No. 6 to CoC No. 1015, Maine Yankee is requesting the reissuance of the four previously approved exemptions.

**DATES:** The environmental assessment (EA) and finding of no significant impact (FONSI) referenced in this

document are available on July 10, 2019. The exemption takes effect on July 10, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2019-0116 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 <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2019-0116. Address questions about docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Jennifer Borges; telephone: 301-287-9127; email: [Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Borges@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 <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, 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](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). For the convenience of the reader, instructions about obtaining materials referenced in this document are provided in the “Availability of Documents” 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:** Torre Taylor, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-7900; email: [Torre.Taylor@nrc.gov](mailto:Torre.Taylor@nrc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

Maine Yankee is a general licensee under part 72 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR). Maine Yankee stores spent nuclear fuel in accordance with the requirements of CoC No. 1015 for the NAC-UMS<sup>®</sup> System. Section 72.210, “General license issued,” establishes a general license to store spent nuclear fuel in an ISFSI at reactor sites licensed under 10 CFR part 50; Maine Yankee holds Facility Operating License No. DPR 36 under 10 CFR part 50. Section 72.212, “Conditions of general license issued under § 72.210,” provides the conditions for use of a general license. Section 72.212(b)(3) limits the storage of

spent fuel to the approved casks listed in § 72.214. Casks are approved for storage under the conditions specified in the respective CoCs. The NRC approved the use of the NAC-UMS<sup>®</sup> System by issuing CoC No. 1015, effective November 20, 2000. NRC regulations require users to comply with the terms and conditions of the CoC including, but not limited to, the associated technical specifications. The requested exemptions would allow Maine Yankee to deviate from certain requirements of the NAC-UMS<sup>®</sup> System CoC No. 1015, Amendment No. 6, as discussed in this document.

#### II. Request/Action

Maine Yankee is requesting the reissuance of four exemptions from the terms and conditions of Amendment No. 6 to CoC No. 1015 that were previously approved for Amendment No. 5 to CoC No. 1015. Maine Yankee submitted its request by letter dated January 21, 2019, supplemented by letter dated April 11, 2019. Maine Yankee requested specific exemptions from the requirements in 10 CFR 72.212(a)(2), 72.212(b)(3), 72.212(b)(5)(i), 72.212(b)(11), and 72.214, with regard to certain terms and conditions of Appendices A and B to the technical specifications of Amendment No. 6 to CoC No. 1015 detailed below.

Maine Yankee stated that adoption of the exemptions would not result in any impact to the safe storage of the spent fuel at the ISFSI and will not increase the probability or consequences of an accident.

The four exemptions are:

1. Appendix A, Section A.3.1.4, Canister Maximum Time in Transfer Cask. This exemption is from the requirement to comply with the 25-day requirement in Limiting Condition of Operation 3.1.4 for canister, NAC-UMS-TSC-790-016.

2. Appendix A, Section A.5.1, Training Program. This exemption is from the requirement to develop a systematic approach to training that includes comprehensive instructions for the operation and maintenance of the ISFSI, except for the NAC-UMS<sup>®</sup> System.

3. Appendix A, Section A.5.5, Radioactive Effluent Control Program. This exemption is from the requirement to submit an annual report pursuant to 10 CFR 72.44(d)(3) or 10 CFR 50.36(a).

4. Appendix B, Section B.3.4.2.6. This exemption is from the requirement to maintain a coefficient of friction on the ISFSI pad surface of at least 0.5.

The requests for an exemption from the requirements of Appendix A,