

high-voltage cables and transformers) to its Vermillion Grove Mine (I.D. No. 11-03060) located in Vermillion County, Indiana. The petitioner proposes to use high-voltage (2,400-volt) cables in the last open crosscut at the working continuous miner section(s). The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

5. Drummond Company, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2001-079-C]

Drummond Company, Inc., P.O. Box 10246, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-0246 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1002 (location of trolley wires, trolley feeder wires, high-voltage cables and transformers) to its Shoal Creek Mine (I.D. No. 01-02901) located in Jefferson County, Alabama. The petitioner proposes to use continuous mining machines with nominal voltage of the power circuits not to exceed 2,400 volts at its Shoal Creek Mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

6. Beech Fork Processing, Inc.

[Docket No. M-2001-080-C]

Beech Fork Processing, Inc., P.O. Box 480, Lovely, Kentucky 41231 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.503 (permissible electric face equipment; maintenance) and 30 CFR 18.41(f) (plug and receptacle-type connectors) to its No. 5 Mine (I.D. No. 15-18407) located in Martin County, Kentucky. The petitioner proposes to use permanently installed spring-loaded devices instead of a padlock on mobile battery-powered equipment to prevent unintentional loosening of battery plugs from battery receptacles to eliminate the hazards associated with difficult removal of padlocks during emergency situations. The petitioner asserts that application of the existing standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners and that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via e-mail to comments@msha.gov, or on a computer disk along with an original hard copy to the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Room 627, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before

September 10, 2001. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia this 30th day of July 2001.

David L. Meyer,

Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Information Collection; OMB Approval, Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act Forms (Various)

ACTION: Notice of OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

SUMMARY: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, a collection of information under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA or Act).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shelby Hallmark, Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-3524, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20210, (202) 693-0031.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 25, 2001, the Employment Standards Administration, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, published an interim final rule governing the administration of the EEOICPA, and requested OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of an information collection consisting of 9 forms/reporting requirements under the Act. The forms/reporting requirements are: EE-1, Claim for Benefits Under Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; EE-2, Claim for Survivor Benefits Under Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; EE-3, Employment History for Claim Under Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; EE-4, Employment History Affidavit for Claim Under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; EE-7, Medical Requirements Under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; EE-15/EN-15, letter to claimant requesting information on approved claims concerning possible tort suits, third

party settlements, other eligible survivors, fraud convictions, and corrections; EE-20/EN-20, Acceptance of Payment Under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; EE-915, Claim for Medical Reimbursement Under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act; and 20 CFR 30.214, a medical report required when an injury, illness or disability is sustained as a consequence of cancer.

OMB has approved the information collection request for three years. The OMB control number assigned to this information collection is 1215-0197, and the expiration date is 7/31/2004.

Dated: August 1, 2001.

Shelby Hallmark,

Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration, Department of Labor.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Information Security Oversight Office

National Industrial Security Program Policy Advisory Committee: Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. APP.2) and implementing regulation 41 CFR 101.6, announcement is made for the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: National Industrial Security Program Policy Advisory Committee (NISPPAC).

Date of Meeting: September 11, 2001.

Time of Meeting: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Place of Meeting: National Archives and Records Administration, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 105, Washington, DC 20408.

Purpose: To discuss National Industrial Security Program policy matters.

This meeting will be open to the public. However, due to space limitations and access procedures, the name and telephone number of individuals planning to attend must be submitted to the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO) no later than August 24, 2001. ISOO will provide additional instructions for gaining access to the location of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Garfinkel, Director, Information Security Oversight Office, National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 100, Washington, DC 20408, telephone (202) 219-5250.

Dated: August 3, 2001.

Mary Ann Hadyka,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-286]

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (the licensee) to withdraw its September 7, 2000, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-64 for the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3, located in Westchester County, New York.

The proposed amendment would have modified the Technical Specifications to extend the surveillance frequency from 720 hours to 1440 hours for the Fuel Storage Building Emergency Ventilation system. The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on November 15, 2000 (65 FR 69064). However, by letter dated July 16, 2001, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated September 7, 2000, and the licensee's letter dated July 16, 2001, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index/html>. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737 or by email to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 3rd day of August 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Guy S. Vissing,

Senior Project Manager, Section 1, Project Directorate I, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No(s). 50-498 and 50-499]

STP Nuclear Operating Company, et al., South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2; Denial of Exemption

1.0 Background

STP Nuclear Operating Company, et al. (STPNOC or the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80, which authorize operation of the South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2 (STP or the facilities). The licenses provide, among other things, that the licensee is subject to all rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) now or hereafter in effect.

The facilities consist of two pressurized-water reactors located at the licensee's site in Matagorda County, Texas.

2.0 Request/Action

Section 50.34(b)(6)(ii) of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 50 [10 CFR 50.34(b)(6)(ii)], requires that the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) include information related to how the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, "Quality Assurance Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants and Fuel Reprocessing Plants," will be satisfied. The regulation at 10 CFR 50.54(a)(3) requires licensees to submit changes that reduce commitments in its Quality Assurance Program (QAP) description for NRC review prior to implementation. By letter dated July 13, 1999, as supplemented, October 14 and 22, 1999, January 26, and August 31, 2000, and January 15, 18, 23, March 19, May 8 and 21, 2001, (hereinafter, the submittal), the licensee requested an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.34(b)(6)(ii) with respect to the extent that this regulation incorporates provisions from 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, except for Criterion III, "Design Control," Criterion XV, "Nonconforming Materials, Parts, or Components," and Criterion XVI, "Corrective Action." The licensee also requested an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.54(a)(3) to the extent that it would require the

licensee to submit an update to its QAP that would result from the changes that would occur from the exemptions granted to the special treatment requirements of 10 CFR Parts 21, 50, and 100. The scope of the exemptions requested was limited to those safety-related structures, systems or components (SSCs) categorized in accordance with STPNOC's risk-informed categorization process as low safety significant (LSS) or non-risk significant (NRS).

3.0 Discussion

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12, the Commission may, upon application by any interested person or upon its own initiative, grant exemptions from the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, when (1) the exemptions are authorized by law, will not present an undue risk to public health or safety, and are consistent with the common defense and security; and (2) when special circumstances are present. Special circumstances are present pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(i) whenever application of the regulation in the particular circumstances conflicts with other rules or requirements of the Commission. Under 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(ii), special circumstances are present when application of the regulation in the particular circumstances would not serve the underlying purpose of the rule or is not necessary to achieve the underlying purpose of the rule. Special circumstances are present pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(iii) when compliance would result in undue hardship or other costs that are significantly in excess of those contemplated when the regulation was adopted, or that are significantly in excess of those incurred by others similarly situated. Special circumstances are present under 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(iv) whenever an exemption would result in benefit to the public health and safety that compensates for any decrease in safety that may result from the granting of the exemption. Special circumstances are present under 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(v) whenever the exemption would provide only temporary relief from the applicable regulation and the licensee or applicant has made good faith efforts to comply with the regulation. Special circumstances are present under 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(vi) whenever there is any other material circumstances not considered when the regulation was adopted for which it would be in the public interest to grant an exemption. If 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(vi) is relied on exclusively for satisfying the special circumstances provision of 10 CFR