

salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act. NSF will continue to review the agenda and merits of each meeting for overall compliance of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

These closed proposal review meetings will not be announced on an individual basis in the **Federal Register**. NSF intends to publish a notice similar to this on a quarterly basis. For an advance listing of the closed proposal review meetings that include the names of the proposal review panel and the time, date, place, and any information on changes, corrections, or cancellations, please visit the NSF Web site: <http://www.nsf.gov>. This information may also be requested by telephoning, 703/292-8182.

Dated: August 27, 2010.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by October 1, 2010. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-7405.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

#### 1. Applicant

Permit Application No. 2011-005.

George Waters, Director, U.S. AMLR Program, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA 92038.

#### Activity for Which Permit is Requested

Take, Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas, and Import into the USA. This notice amends the notice published in the **Federal Register** on July 21, 2010 for George Waters to include the installation of four snow-measurement gauges at Cape Shirreff (ASPA #149) and four at Copacabana, Admiralty Bay (ASPA #128). Each gauge will be constructed with a single metal rod, 1.5 to 2.5m in length, and >2.5cm in diameter, that will be driven into the ground to a depth of circa 0.5m. The gauges would be installed at four locations at each site, in the vicinity of seabird colonies or seal rookeries. The applicant recognizes that ultrasonic snow-depth sensing equipment is available, however positioning such devices near seabird and pinniped colonies would require additional towers/power supplies that are currently unavailable at these field sites. To take this step would be more intrusive to the sites, as it would require not only more gear, but more setup and installation effort (aka disturbance) near the animals. The low-tech solution is preferable, and more reliable over time.

#### Location

Cape Shirreff, Livingston Island (ASPA #149) and Copacabana field camp at Admiralty Bay, King George Island (ASPA # 128).

#### Dates

October 1, 2010 to July 31, 2011.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 72-10 (50-282/306)]

### Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Materials License Amendment to SNM-2506 Prairie Island Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Site

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) has issued Amendment 7 to Materials License SNM-2506 held by the Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota Corporation (NSPM<sup>1</sup> or the licensee), authorizing receipt, possession, transfer, and storage of spent fuel at the Prairie Island Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) located onsite at its Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant site in Goodhue County, Minnesota. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance and shall be implemented within ninety (90) days of the date of issuance.

By application dated March 28, 2008, as supplemented June 26 and August 29, 2008, June 26 and September 28, 2009, January 18, May 4, and July 27, 2010, NSPM requested to amend its ISFSI license and to reformat the license Technical Specifications (TS) for the Prairie Island ISFSI in accordance with 10 CFR part 72. The licensee proposed in the license amendment request (LAR) to modify the TN-40 cask for storage of higher initially enriched and higher burnup fuel. The modified cask is designated the TN-40HT storage cask. This amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR chapter I,

<sup>1</sup> On September 22, 2008, Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) transferred its operating authority to Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation (NSPM), doing business as Xcel Energy. By letter dated September 3, 2008 (package, ML082240762), NSPM assumed responsibility for actions and commitments previously submitted by NMC.