

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Due to the largely administrative nature of the proposed action, its environmental impacts are small. Therefore, the only alternative the staff considered is the no-action alternative, under which the staff would leave things as they are by simply denying the amendment request. This no-action alternative is not feasible because it conflicts with 10 CFR 30.36(d), requiring that decommissioning of byproduct material facilities be completed and approved by the NRC after licensed activities cease. The NRC's analysis of the Licensee's final status survey data confirmed that the Facility meets the requirements of 10 CFR 20.1402 for unrestricted release and for license termination. Additionally, denying the amendment request would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the no-action alternative are therefore similar, and the no-action alternative is accordingly not further considered.

Conclusion

The NRC staff has concluded that the proposed action is consistent with the NRC's unrestricted release criteria specified in 10 CFR 20.1402. Because the proposed action will not significantly impact the quality of the human environment, the NRC staff concludes that the proposed action is the preferred alternative.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

NRC provided a draft of this Environmental Assessment to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection for review on December 18, 2006. On December 21, 2006, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania responded by e-mail. The Commonwealth agreed with the conclusions of the EA, and otherwise had no comments.

The NRC staff has determined that the proposed action is of a procedural nature, and will not affect listed species or critical habitat. Therefore, no further consultation is required under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. The NRC staff has also determined that the proposed action is not the type of activity that has the potential to cause effects on historic properties. Therefore, no further consultation is required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The NRC staff has prepared this EA in support of the proposed action. On the

basis of this EA, the NRC finds that there are no significant environmental impacts from the proposed action, and that preparation of an environmental impact statement is not warranted. Accordingly, the NRC has determined that a Finding of No Significant Impact is appropriate.

IV. Further Information

Documents related to this action, including the application for license amendment and supporting documentation, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The documents related to this action are listed below, along with their ADAMS accession numbers.

1. REG-1757, "Consolidated NMSS Decommissioning Guidance;"
2. Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20, Subpart E, "Radiological Criteria for License Termination;"
3. Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 51, "Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions;"
4. NUREG-1496, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement in Support of Rulemaking on Radiological Criteria for License Termination of NRC-Licensed Nuclear Facilities;"
5. West Pharmaceutical Services, Termination Request Letter dated February 17, 2006 [ML060580120];
6. West Pharmaceutical Services, NRC 314 Signed and dated February 27, 2006 [ML060580124];
7. West Pharmaceutical Services, letter dated May 19, 2006 [ML061430439];
8. West Pharmaceutical Services, letter dated October 17, 2006 [ML062980524];
9. West Pharmaceutical Services, letter dated November 17, 2006 [ML063280230].

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 e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov. These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O 1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated: Region I, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania this 9th day of January 2007.

For The Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

James P. Dwyer,

Chief, Commercial and R&D Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region 1.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Sunshine Act Meetings

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

DATE: Weeks of January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 2007.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of January 15, 2007

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of January 15, 2007.

Week of January 22, 2007—Tentative

Monday, January 22, 2007

1:25 p.m.

Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative).

- a. Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC, & Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station), LBP-06-20 (9/22/06): Entergy Nuclear Generation Company & Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station), LBP-06-23 (10/16/06) (Tentative)

- b. Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Early Site Permit for Clinton ESP) (Tentative)

1:30 p.m.

Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1).

Tuesday, January 23, 2007

1:30 p.m.

Joint Meeting with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on Grid Reliability (Public Meeting) (Contact: Mike Mayfield, 301-415-0561).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of January 29, 2007—Tentative

Wednesday, January 31, 2007

9:30 a.m.

Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1 & 3). To be held at Department of Homeland Security Headquarters, Washington, DC.

Thursday, February 1, 2007

9:30 a.m.

Discussion of Management Issues
(Closed—Ex. 2).

1:30 p.m.

Briefing on Strategic Workforce
Planning and Human Capital
Initiatives (Public Meeting)
(Contact: Mary Ellen Beach, 301-
415-6803).

This meeting will be webcast live at
the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of February 5, 2007—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for
the Week of February 5, 2007.

Week of February 12, 2007—Tentative

Thursday, February 15, 2007

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on Office of Chief Financial
Officer (OCFO) Programs,
Performance, and Plans (Public
Meeting) (Contact: Edward New,
301-415-5646).

This meeting will be webcast live at
the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of February 19, 2007—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for
the Week of February 19, 2007.

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*The schedule for Commission
meetings is subject to change on short
notice. To verify the status of meetings
call (recording)—(301) 415-1292.
Contact person for more information:
Michelle Schroll, (301) 415-1662.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Affirmation of
“Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC,
& Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.
(Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power
Station), LBP-06-20 (9/22/06): Entergy
Nuclear Generation Company & Entergy
Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Pilgrim
Nuclear Power Station), LBP-06-23 (10/
16/06)” tentatively scheduled for
Thursday, January 11, 2007, at 1:25 p.m.
has been rescheduled tentatively on
Monday, January 22, 2007, at 1:25 p.m.

Affirmation of “Final Rulemaking to
Revise 10 CFR 73.1, Design Basis Threat
(DBT) Requirements” tentatively
scheduled on Thursday, January 11,
2007, at 1:25 p.m. was cancelled and
will be rescheduled at a later date.

“Periodic Briefing on New Reactor
Issues” (Public Meeting) previously
scheduled on Thursday, January 11,
2007, at 1:30 p.m. was cancelled and
will be rescheduled at a later date.

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The NRC Commission Meeting
Schedule can be found on the Internet

at: [http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/
policy-making/schedule.html](http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html).

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Dated: January 12, 2007.

R. Michelle Schroll,

Office of the Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Trade Policy Staff Committee: Seeking Comments From the Public on the 2005 WTO Ministerial Decision on Duty-Free Quota-Free Market Access for the Least Developed Countries

AGENCY: Office of the United States
Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice and request for
comments.

SUMMARY: The Trade Policy Staff
Committee (TPSC) is requesting the
public to submit written comments on
considerations relating to the Decision
that Members adopted at the Sixth
Ministerial Conference of the World
Trade Organization (WTO) in December
2005 on duty-free, quota-free (DFQF)
market access for the least-developed
countries (LDCs). The TPSC is seeking
comments from the public on to the full
range of issues that may affect
implementation of this Decision.

DATES: Comments are due by March 15,
2007.

ADDRESSES: Submissions by electronic
mail: FR0704@USTR.EOP.GOV.

Submissions by facsimile: Gloria Blue,
Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff
Committee, at (202) 395-6143. The
public is strongly encouraged to submit
documents electronically rather than by
facsimile. (See requirements for
submissions below.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

General inquiries should be made to the
USTR Office of WTO and Multilateral
Affairs at (202) 395-6843; calls on
individual subjects will be transferred
as appropriate. Procedural inquiries
concerning the public comment process
should be directed to Gloria Blue,
Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff
Committee, Office of the U.S. Trade
Representative (USTR), (202) 395-3475.
Further information on the WTO,
including the declarations, decisions
referred to in this notice, can be
obtained via the Internet at the WTO
Web site, <http://www.wto.org>, and/or
the USTR Web site, <http://www.ustr.gov>.
The 2005 President’s Annual Report on
the Trade Agreements Program, which
is available on the USTR Web site,
contains extensive information on the
WTO, the Sixth WTO Ministerial
Conference in Hong Kong, China, and
the status of work in the WTO.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Duty-Free Quota-Free Market Access:
The TPSC calls attention to the decision
adopted at the Sixth Ministerial
Conference of the WTO in December
2005 on duty-free, quota-free (DFQF)
market access for LDCs. The DFQF
decision is contained in Annex F of the
Ministerial Declaration, which can be
found at <http://www.wto.org> with the
document symbol “WT/MIN(05)/DEC”.
Ministers agreed that WTO Members
would implement the DFQF initiative
coincident with the implementation of
the results of the negotiations under the
Doha Development Agenda (DDA). On a
voluntary basis, WTO Members may
also implement sooner.

Implementation of the DFQF by
relevant WTO Members is subject to
review by Members through the WTO
Committee on Trade and Development
(CTD). On May 15, 2006, the United
States submitted a paper to the CTD,
“Duty-Free, Quota-Free Market Access
for the Least-Developed Countries:
Communication from the United
States”. This paper can be found at
<http://www.wto.org> with the document
symbol “WT/COMTD/W/149”. The
paper summarizes the U.S. legal and
consultative process for implementing
the DFQF decision, and outlines certain
factors and related obligations affecting
implementation. The TPSC recognizes