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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Parts 20, 30, 40, 50, 70 and 72

RIN 3150-AH45

[NRC-2008-0030]

Decommissioning Planning; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On January 22, 2008 (73 FR 3812), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published for public comment a proposed rule on Decommissioning Planning. The public comment period for this proposed rule was to have expired on April 7, 2008. The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and several other stakeholders have requested an extension of 90 days. After due consideration of the requests and considering the staff's previous efforts at public outreach during this rulemaking, the NRC has decided to extend the comment period by 30 days, until May 8, 2008. In a letter dated February 29, 2008, NEI requested the additional time to provide review of the legacy site issues raised in the proposed rule, and to provide input to the NRC staff regarding the specific proposed rule text, potential unintended consequences of the rulemaking, and draft regulatory guidance released with the proposed rule.

DATES: The comment period has been extended and now expires on May 8, 2008. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any one of the following methods. Please include the following number RIN 3150-AH45 in the subject line of your comments. Comments on rulemakings submitted in writing or in

electronic form will be made available to the public in their entirety in NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). Personal information, such as your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, etc., will not be removed from your submission.

Mail comments to: Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

E-mail comments to: Rulemaking.Comments@nrc.gov. If you do not receive a reply e-mail confirming that we have received your comments, contact us directly at 301-415-1677. Comments can also be submitted via the Federal eRulemaking Portal <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Hand deliver comments to: 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays. (Telephone 301-415-1677).

Fax comments to: Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at 301-415-1101.

Publicly available documents related to this rulemaking, including comments, may be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), O1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC after November 1, 1999, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, the public can gain entry into ADAMS, which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the PDR Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737 or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin O'Sullivan, telephone (301) 415-8112, e-mail, kro2@nrc.gov of the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of March 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette Vietti-Cook,

Secretary of the Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 51

[Docket No. PRM-51-1]

New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution; Denial of Petition for Rulemaking

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Denial of petition for rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is denying a petition for rulemaking (PRM-51-1) submitted by the New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution (now New England Coalition (NEC)). The petitioner requested that the NRC revise the value for radon-222 in Table S-3, "Table of Uranium Fuel Cycle Environmental Data," of 10 CFR part 51, "Environmental Protection Regulations for Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions," because it did not disclose the long-term and long-range health effects of radon gas released from uranium mill tailings piles.

ADDRESSES: For a copy of the petition, write to Michael T. Lesar, Chief, Rulemaking, Directives, and Editing Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-7163; e-mail: MTL@nrc.gov.

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