

discussion, evaluation, and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of May 12, 2000, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to (c)(4)(6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

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Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, or call 202/682-5691.

Dated: March 15, 2001.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 70-36]

CE Nuclear Power LLC; Hematite Fuel Operations; Notice of Consideration of Request for Consent to Transfer of Facility License and Conforming Amendment and Opportunity for Hearing

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of consideration of request for consent to transfer of facility license and conforming amendment and opportunity for hearing.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of a letter of consent and an amendment pursuant to part 70 to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations approving the transfer of Materials License SNM-33 held by CE

Nuclear Power LLC ("CENP"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Westinghouse Electric Company LLC ("Westinghouse") as the owner and responsible licensee. The facility is authorized to use Special Nuclear Material (SNM) for research, development, and the fabrication of nuclear fuel pellets and fuel assemblies and operates in Hematite, Missouri. The transfer would be from CENP to its parent, Westinghouse.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mohammad W. Haque, Project Manager, Fuel Cycle Licensing Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; telephone: (301) 415-6640, e-mail: mwh1@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of a letter of consent and an amendment pursuant to part 70 to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations approving the transfer of Materials License SNM-33 held by CE Nuclear Power LLC ("CENP"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Westinghouse Electric Company LLC ("Westinghouse") as the owner and responsible licensee. The facility is authorized to use Special Nuclear Material (SNM) for research, development, and the fabrication of nuclear fuel pellets and fuel assemblies and operates in Hematite, Missouri. The transfer would be from CENP to its parent, Westinghouse.

The transfer is necessitated by the planned merger of CENP, including all of its assets and personnel, into its parent, Westinghouse, to be effective as of April 2, 2001. The Commission is also considering amending the license for administrative purposes to reflect the proposed transfer.

According to CENP's application dated February 16, 2001, all Commission licensed activities affected by the transfer of the Materials License will be the same before and after the transfer. All personnel having control of licensed activities under the Materials License, as amended and transferred to Westinghouse, will be the same personnel who currently have responsibilities under the Materials License, as held by CENP.

The proposed license amendment would replace references to CENP in the license with references to Westinghouse and make other changes for administrative purposes to reflect the proposed transfer.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 70.36, no license granted under the regulations in Part 70

and no right to possess or utilize special nuclear material granted by any license issued pursuant to the regulations in Part 70 shall be transferred, assigned or in any manner disposed of, either voluntarily or involuntarily, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of any license to any person unless the Commission shall give its prior consent in writing. The Commission will approve an application for the transfer of a license if the Commission determines that the proposed transferee is qualified to hold the license, and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the Commission pursuant thereto.

Before issuance of the proposed conforming license amendment, the Commission will have made the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

The filing of requests for hearing and petitions for leave to intervene, and written comments with regard to the license transfer application, are discussed below.

By April 11, 2001, any person whose interest may be affected by the Commission's action on the application may request a hearing and may petition for leave to intervene in a hearing proceeding on the Commission's action. Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be filed in accordance with the Commission's rules of practice set forth in subpart M, "Public Notification, Availability of Documents and Records, Hearing Requests and Procedures for Hearings on License Transfer Applications," of 10 CFR part 2. In particular, such requests and petitions must comply with the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 2.1306, and should address the considerations contained in 10 CFR 2.1308(a). Untimely requests and petitions may be denied, as provided in 10 CFR 2.1308(b), unless good cause for failure to file on time is established. In addition, an untimely request or petition should address the factors that the Commission will also consider, in reviewing untimely requests or petitions, set forth in 10 CFR 2.1308(b)(1)-(2).

Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be served upon: Mr. Robert S. Bell, Jr., Esq., Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, CE Nuclear Power LLC; 2000 Day Hill Road; Windsor, CT 06095; the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555 (e-mail address for filings regarding license transfer cases only: OGCLT@NRC.gov); and the Secretary of

the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.1313.

The Commission will issue a notice or order granting or denying a hearing request or intervention petition, designating the issues for any hearing that will be held and designating the Presiding Officer. A Notice granting a hearing will be published in the **Federal Register** and served on the parties to the hearing.

As an alternative to requests for hearing and petitions to intervene, by April 23, 2001, persons may submit written comments regarding the license transfer application, as provided for in 10 CFR 2.1305. The Commission will consider and, if appropriate, respond to these comments, but such comments will not otherwise constitute part of the decisional record. Comments should be submitted to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, and should cite the publication date and page number of the **Federal Register** notice.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application dated February 16, 2001, available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 16th day of March 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Philip Ting,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-298]

Nebraska Public Power District; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Nebraska Public Power District (the licensee) to withdraw its March 17, 2000, application for the proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-46 for the Cooper

Nuclear Station, located in Nemaha County, Nebraska.

The proposed amendment would have revised the Technical Specifications to permit the licensee to incorporate the requirements of Generic Letter 99-02 regarding laboratory testing of nuclear-grade activated charcoal.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on May 3, 2000 (65 FR 25766). However, by letter dated January 2, 2001, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated March 17, 2000, and the licensee's letter dated January 2, 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, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of March, 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments Are Invited On

(a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and Purpose of Information Collection

Investigation of Claim for Possible Days of Employment.

Under Section 1(k) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA), unemployment and sickness benefits are not payable for any day with respect to which remuneration is payable or accrues to the claimant. Also Section 4(a-1) of the RUIA provides that unemployment or sickness benefits are not payable for any day the claimant receives the same benefits under any law other than the RUIA. Under Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) regulations, 20 CFR 322.4(a), a claimant's certification or statement on an RRB provided claim form that he or she did not work on any day claimed and did not receive income such as vacation pay or pay for time lost shall constitute sufficient evidence unless there is conflicting evidence. Further, under 20 CFR 322.4(b), when there is question raised as to whether or not remuneration is payable or has accrued to a claimant with respect to a claimed day or days, investigation shall be made with a view to obtaining information sufficient for a finding.

The RRB currently utilizes the following four forms, to obtain information from railroad employers, nonrailroad employers and claimants, that are needed to determine whether a claimed days or days of unemployment or sickness were improperly or fraudulently claimed: Form ID-51, Letter to Non-Railroad Employers on Employment and Earnings of a Claimant; Form ID-5R(SUP), Report of Employees Paid RUIA Benefits for Every Day in Month Reported as Month of Creditable Service; Form ID-49R, Letter to Railroad Employer for Payroll Information; and Form UI-48, Claimant's Statement Regarding Benefit Claim for Days of Employment. All of these forms are currently approved for use by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB 3220-0025).

The RRB proposes the use of a new Form ID-5S(SUP), Report of Cases for Which All Days Were Claimed During a Month Credited Per an Adjustment Report. Form ID-5S(SUP), Report of Case for Which All Days Were Claimed During a Month Credited Per an Adjustment Report, will be used to collect required information about compensation credited to an employee during a period when the employee claimed either unemployment or sickness benefits from a railroad employer. The request will be generated