

2008 in response to a petition filed on behalf of workers of Port of Port Angeles, Port Angeles, Washington.

The petition regarding the investigation has been deemed invalid. The petition was signed by two dislocated workers. A petition filed by workers requires three signatures. Consequently, the investigation has been terminated.

Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of June 2008.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Application To Amend a License To Export Major Components for Nuclear Reactors

Pursuant to 10 CFR 110.70(b)(1) "Public Notice of Receipt of an Application," please take notice that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received the following request for an

amendment to an export license. Copies of the request are available electronically through ADAMS and can be accessed through the Public Electronic Reading Room (PERR) link <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html> at the NRC Homepage.

A request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene may be filed within thirty days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Any request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene shall be served by the requestor or petitioner upon the applicant, the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; and the Executive Secretary, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520.

A request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene may be filed with the NRC electronically in accordance with NRC's E-Filing rule promulgated in August 2007, 72 Fed. Reg. 49139 (Aug. 28, 2007). Information about filing electronically is available on the NRC's public Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html>. To ensure

timely electronic filing, at least five days prior to the filing deadline, the petitioner/requestor should contact the Office of the Secretary by e-mail at HEARINGDOCKET@NRC.GOV, or by calling (301) 415-1677, to request a digital ID certificate and allow for the creation of an electronic docket.

In addition to a request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene, written comments, in accordance with 10 CFR 110.81, should be submitted within thirty days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** to Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications.

In its review of applications for licenses and license amendments involving exports of major components of a utilization facility as defined in 10 CFR Part 110 and noticed herein, the Commission does not evaluate the health, safety or environmental effects in the recipient nation of the facility or facilities to be exported.

The information concerning the application follows:

NRC APPLICATION TO AMEND A LICENSE TO EXPORT MAJOR COMPONENTS FOR NUCLEAR REACTORS

Name of applicant, date of application, date received, application No., Docket No.	Total quantity/description of major components	End use	Country of destination
Curtiss-Wright Electro-Mechanical Corporation, April 16, 2008, May 5, 2008, XR170/01, 11005552.	Seventeen (17) complete primary reactor coolant pumps (RCPs), including motors, related equipment and spare parts as specified in 10 CFR Part 110, Appendix A Items (4) and (9). Approximate Dollar Value: Proprietary.	For construction, maintenance and operation of pressurized water reactors (PWRs) of 1,000 MWe class. Amend to add: 1) twelve (12) complete primary RCPs including motors, equipment, and spare parts; 2) new intermediate consignees to act as purchasing agents and/or to manufacture finished parts, components, sub-assemblies and assemblies for use in primary RCPs; and 3) new ultimate nuclear power plant consignees.	People's Republic of China.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dated this 6th day of June 2008 at Rockville, Maryland.

Scott W. Moore,

Deputy Director, Office of International Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Final Finding of No Significant Impact for the Issuance of Grants to Eligible Institutions of Higher Education in the United States

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Issuance of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for the issuance of grants to institutions of higher education in the United States, for

scholarships, fellowships, faculty and curricula development in nuclear safety, nuclear security, nuclear environmental protection, and other fields that the Commission determines to be critical to the NRC's regulatory mission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Morris, Deputy Associate Director, Professional Development Center, Office of Human Resources, Mail Stop W5-A6, Washington, DC 20555; Telephone number: 301-492-2303; FAX number: 301-492-2243; or by e-mail: james.morris@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Introduction**

Section 243 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (AEA), authorizes the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) to create a scholarship and fellowship program to fund scholarships, fellowships, and stipends for the study of science, engineering, or another field of study that the NRC determines is a critical skill area related to its regulatory mission, to support faculty and curricular development in such fields, and to support other domestic educational, technical assistance, or training programs (including those of trade schools) in such fields.

Section 31.b.(2) of the AEA authorizes the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) to provide grants, loans, cooperative agreements, contracts, and equipment to institutions of higher education to support courses, studies, training, curricula, and disciplines pertaining to nuclear safety, security, or environmental protection, or any other field that the Commission determines to be critical to the regulatory mission of the Commission.

The NRC is proposing to award grants, using funds available in fiscal year 2008, to eligible institutions of higher education in the United States as authorized by sections 31.b.(2) and 243 of the AEA. The NRC has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) as its evaluation of this proposed action in accordance with the requirements in 10 CFR Part 51. Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact is appropriate to the proposed action.

II. Environmental Assessment*Identification of Proposed Action*

The NRC is proposing to fund five competitive grant programs. The goal of the five grant programs is to promote and strengthen teaching programs in nuclear safety, nuclear security, nuclear environmental protection, and other fields that the Commission determines to be critical to the NRC's regulatory mission, by through the award of grants for scholarships and fellowships and to enhance curricula and increase faculty teaching competencies. Under the first program, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Nuclear Education Grant Program, Fiscal Year 2008 (funding number HR-FN1207-EDU2), the NRC would make grant awards up to \$4.7 million dollars in fiscal year 2008, to higher education institutions, accredited in the United States.

The primary purpose of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Nuclear Education Grant Program is to support the educational infrastructure necessary for the nation to safely move forward with its nuclear energy initiatives. The goal of the program is to promote and strengthen teaching programs in nuclear safety, nuclear security, nuclear environmental protection, and other fields that the Commission determines to be critical to the NRC's regulatory mission at higher education institutions, by enhancing curricula and increasing faculty teaching competencies. Projects awarded grants under the proposed program may develop, revise, implement, or improve teaching competencies, subject matter expertise, and skills in serving students in significant nuclear programs. Applicants would be expected to identify innovative instructional approaches or techniques to enhance student learning, including distance educational and experiential learning. Curriculum development projects may create teaching resources such as course material, including teaching guides on specific nuclear topics. Such materials may use print or electronic formats, but the preparation of traditional textbooks would be ineligible for funding. Under the proposed grant program, projects must have an academic focus within the areas of nuclear safety, nuclear security, nuclear environmental protection, or the other fields the Commission has determined to be critical to the NRC's regulatory mission.

Under the remaining four grant programs, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Nuclear Scholarship/Fellowship Program Announcement of Opportunity, Fiscal Year 2008 (not yet announced); the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Nuclear Education Program Scholarship and Fellowship Announcement of Opportunity, Fiscal Year 2008 (funding number HR-FN208-NEDO1); the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Nuclear Education Program Faculty Development Grants Announcement of Opportunity, Fiscal Year 2008 (funding number HR-FN208-NEDO2); and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Nuclear Education Program Trade School Scholarship Announcement of Opportunity, Fiscal Year 2008 (funding number HR-FN208-NEDO3); the NRC would make grant awards up to \$15.4 million dollars in fiscal year 2008 for undergraduate scholarships, graduate fellowships, trade school scholarships, and faculty development grants to support education in nuclear science

and engineering, for the purpose of developing a workforce capable of supporting the design, construction, operation, and regulation of nuclear facilities and the safe handling of nuclear materials. Participation in the awards program would require recipients to serve in nuclear-related employment for each full or partial year of academic support. The employment may be with NRC, other Federal agencies, State agencies, Department of Energy laboratories, nuclear-related industry, or academia in the recipients' sponsored fields of study.

A more detailed description of the fiscal year 2008 NRC grant programs is available at <http://www.grants.gov> (find grant opportunities/browse by agency/U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission).

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action implements the congressional intent of sections 31.b.(2) and 243 of the AEA, namely, to foster the study of science, engineering, or another field of study that the NRC determines is in a critical skill area related to its regulatory mission.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The proposed action is specifically geared toward the development of teaching and educational programs in the nuclear field. As the proposed action is administrative in nature, it will have no significant effect on the quality of the human environment. The proposed action is not expected to result in: increased radiation doses to nuclear industry workers or members of the public; degradation of water quality or of the water supply; endangered or threatened species habitat destruction; increased effluents or changes in effluent pathways; increased noise; damage or reduced access to cultural resources; changes to local or regional socioeconomic conditions; increased traffic or other transportation effects; or increased competition for available resources. Moreover, the NRC will not issue awards to fund programs that include or involve activities directly affecting the environment, such as the construction of facilities; a major disturbance of the local environment brought about by blasting, drilling, excavating or other means; large-scale acquisitions of computer equipment; field work affecting the local environment (except field work which only involves noninvasive or non-harmful techniques such as taking water or soil samples or collecting non-protected species of flora and fauna); and the testing and release of radioactive material.

Accordingly, the NRC finds that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Due to the administrative nature of the proposed action, its environmental impacts are small or nonexistent. Therefore, the only alternative NRC considered is the "no-action" alternative, namely, not issuing any grant awards. The no-action alternative runs counter to the congressional intent expressed in section 31.b.(2) of the AEA, which authorizes the NRC to provide grants to support courses, studies, training, curricula, and disciplines pertaining to nuclear safety, security, or environmental protection, and in section 243 of the AEA, which authorizes the NRC to issue scholarships and fellowships to higher education institutions for the purpose of enabling students to pursue education in science, engineering, or another field of study that the NRC determines is in a critical skill area related to its regulatory mission.

The "no-action" alternative would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

The NRC has determined that the proposed action is administrative in nature and will not affect listed species or critical habitat. Therefore, no consultation is required under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. The NRC 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 consultation is required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

III. Final Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of this environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

IV. Further Information

For further information regarding the NRC Education Grants program, please visit the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/grants.html>. The public may access this document by

using ADAMS on the NRC public Web site by using the following accession number ML081570477.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of June, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

James F. McDermott,

Director, Office of Human Resources.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 040-09067]

Notice of License Application Request of Uranerz Energy Corporation Nichols Ranch In Situ Uranium Recovery Project, Casper, Wyoming, Opportunity To Request a Hearing and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information (SUNSI) for Contention Preparation

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of license application, and opportunity to request a hearing.

DATES: A request for a hearing must be filed by August 15, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron C. Linton, Project Manager, Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch, Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555. Telephone: (301) 415-7777; fax number: (301) 415-5369; e-mail: ron.linton@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

By letter dated November 30, 2007, Uranerz Energy Corporation (Uranerz) submitted a Source Materials License Application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for the Nichols Ranch Uranium Project in Campbell and Johnson Counties, Wyoming. The Nichols Ranch Uranium Project would involve the recovery of uranium by in situ leach (ISL) extraction techniques. An NRC administrative review, documented in a letter to Uranerz dated April 14, 2008, found the application acceptable to begin a technical and environmental review. Before approving the license application, the NRC will need to make the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and NRC's regulations.

These findings will be documented in a Safety Evaluation Report (SER) and a

site-specific environmental review consistent with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 51.

II. Opportunity To Request a Hearing

The NRC hereby provides notice that this is a proceeding on an application for a source materials license regarding Uranerz's proposal to construct and operate the Nichols Ranch Uranium Project ISL uranium extraction facility in Campbell and Johnson Counties, Wyoming. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding, and who desires to participate as a party, must file a request for a hearing and a specification of the contentions which the person seeks to have litigated in the hearing, in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule, which the NRC promulgated in August 2007, 72 FR 49139 (Aug. 28, 2007). The E-Filing rule requires participants to submit and serve documents over the Internet or in some cases to mail copies on electronic storage media. Participants may not submit paper copies of their filings unless they seek a waiver in accordance with the procedures described below.

To comply with the procedural requirements of E-Filing, at least ten (10) days prior to the filing deadline, the petitioner/requester must contact the Office of the Secretary by e-mail at HEARINGDOCKET@NRC.GOV, or by calling (301) 415-1677, to request (1) a digital ID certificate, which allows the participant (or its counsel or representative) to digitally sign documents and access the E-Submittal server for any proceeding in which it is participating; and/or (2) creation of an electronic docket for the proceeding (even in instances in which the petitioner/requester (or its counsel or representative) already holds an NRC-issued digital ID certificate). Each petitioner/requester will need to download the Workplace Forms Viewer™ to access the Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), a component of the E-Filing system. The Workplace Forms Viewer™ is free and is available at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals/install-viewer.html>. Information about applying for a digital ID certificate is available on NRC's public Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals/apply-certificates.html>.

Once a petitioner/requester has obtained a digital ID certificate, has a docket created, and downloaded the EIE viewer, the petitioner/requester can then submit a request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene. Submissions should be in Portable Document Format (PDF) in accordance with NRC guidance available on the