

and (2) time-limited aging analyses that have been identified as requiring review such that there is reasonable assurance that the activities authorized by the renewed license will continue to be conducted in accordance with the current licensing basis (CLB) and that any changes made to the plant's CLB comply with the Act and the Commission's regulations.

Additionally, in accordance with 10 CFR 51.95(c), the NRC will prepare an environmental impact statement that is a supplement to the Commission's NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Power Plants" (May 1996). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.26, and as part of the environmental scoping process, the staff intends to hold a public scoping meeting. Detailed information regarding this meeting will be included in a future **Federal Register** notice. The Commission also intends to hold public meetings to discuss the license renewal process and the schedule for conducting the review. The Commission will provide prior notice of these meetings. As discussed further herein, in the event that a hearing is held, issues that may be litigated will be confined to those pertinent to the foregoing.

By November 13, 2000, the applicant may file a request for a hearing, and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written request for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene with respect to the renewal of the licenses in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.714. Interested persons should consult a current copy of 10 CFR 2.714, which is available at the Commission's Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor) Rockville, Maryland, and on the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov> (the Electronic Reading Room). If a request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel will rule on the request(s) and/or petition(s), and the Secretary or the designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of a hearing or an appropriate order. In the event that no request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the NRC may, upon completion of its evaluations and upon making the findings required under 10 CFR Parts 54 and 51, renew the licenses without further notice.

As required by 10 CFR 2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set

forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, taking into consideration the limited scope of matters that may be considered pursuant to 10 CFR parts 54 and 51. The petition must specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) The nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order that may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition must also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend the petition without requesting leave of the board up to 15 days before the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above.

Not later than 15 days before the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene that must include a list of the contentions that the petitioner seeks to have litigated in the hearing. Each contention must consist of a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted. In addition, the petitioner shall provide a brief explanation of the bases of each contention and a concise statement of the alleged facts or the expert opinion that supports the contention and on which the petitioner intends to rely in proving the contention at the hearing. The petitioner must also provide references to those specific sources and documents of which the petitioner is aware and on which the petitioner intends to rely to establish those facts or expert opinion. The petitioner must provide sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the action under consideration. The contention must be one that, if proven, would entitle the petitioner to relief. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement that satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any

limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing, including the opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses.

Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, 20855-2738, by the above date. A copy of the request for a hearing and the petition should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to Thomas F. Plunkett, President—Nuclear Division, Florida Power & Light Company, P.O. Box 14000, Juno Beach, FL 33408-0420.

Nontimely filings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions, and/or requests for a hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer, or the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that the petition and/or request should be granted based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.714(a)(1) (i)–(v) and 2.714(d).

Detailed information about the license renewal process can be found under the nuclear reactors' icon of the NRC's Web page <<http://www.nrc.gov>>.

A copy of the application to renew the Turkey Point, Units 3 and 4 licenses is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor) Rockville, Maryland, 20855-2738, and on the NRC's Web page <<http://www.nrc.gov>>.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day of October 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Christopher I. Grimes,

Chief, License Renewal and Standardization Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Meeting Act

Agency Holding the Meeting: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Date: Weeks of October 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6, and 13, 2000.

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

Status: Public and Closed.

Matters to be Considered:

Week of October 9

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 9.

Week of October 16—Tentative

Tuesday, October 17
9:25 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (If needed)

Week of October 23—Tentative

Monday, October 23
1:55 p.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (If needed)

Week of October 30—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 30.

Week of November 6—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 6.

Week of November 13—Tentative

Friday, November 17
9:25 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (If needed)
9:30 a.m. Briefing on Risk-Informed Regulation Implementation Plan (Public Meeting)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—www.nrc.gov/live.html

*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: Bill Hill (301) 415-1661.

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Additional Information

By a vote of 5-0 on October 6, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552b(e) and § 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that "Affirmation of VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORP. & AMERGEN VERMONT, LLC (Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station), Docket No. 50-271-LT. Petitions to Intervene and Motions for Hearing from Citizens Awareness Network ("CAN") and the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Vermont"); also various motions by CAN associated with its petition" be held on October 6, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/SECY/smj/schedule.htm>

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This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to it, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Attn: Operations Branch, Washington, D.C. 20555 (301-415-1661). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to wmh@nrc.gov or dkw@nrc.gov.

Dated: October 6, 2000.

William M. Hill, Jr.,
SECY Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

State of Oklahoma: Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority Within the State; Notice of Agreement Between the NRC and the State of Oklahoma

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Agreement between the NRC and the State of Oklahoma.

SUMMARY: This notice is announcing that on August 30, 2000, Richard Meserve, Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and on September 22, 2000, Governor Frank Keating of the State of Oklahoma signed an Agreement as authorized by section 274b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (Act). The Agreement provides for the Commission to discontinue its regulatory authority and for Oklahoma to assume regulatory authority over the possession and use of byproduct material as defined in section 11e.(1) of the Act, special nuclear materials (in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass), source material used to take advantage of its density and high mass properties where the use of the specifically licensed material is subordinate to the primary specifically licensed use of either 11e.(1) byproduct material or special nuclear material (primarily used as shielding), and the disposal of low-level radioactive waste at a land disposal site in the State of Oklahoma.

Under the Agreement, a person in Oklahoma possessing these materials is exempt from certain Commission regulations. The exemptions have been previously published in the **Federal Register** (FR) and are codified in the Commission's regulations as 10 CFR part 150. The Agreement is published here as required by section 274e of the Act.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the staff assessment, and the Commission's decision may be viewed at the NRC website, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia M. Larkins, Office of State and Tribal Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Telephone (301) 415-2309 or e-mail PML@NRC.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The draft Agreement was published in the **Federal Register** for comment once a week for four consecutive weeks (see, e.g., 65 FR 36169; June 7, 2000) as required by the Act. The public comment period ended on July 7, 2000, and the Commission did not receive any comments during that time. After considering the request for an Agreement by the Governor of Oklahoma, the supporting documentation submitted with the request for an Agreement, and its interactions with the staff of the Oklahoma Department of Health, Bureau of Radiological Health, the NRC staff completed an assessment of the Oklahoma program. A copy of the NRC staff assessment was made available in the NRC's Public Document Room and electronically on NRC's website.

Based on the NRC staff's assessment, the Commission determined on August 24, 2000, that the proposed Oklahoma program for the control of radiation hazards is adequate to protect public health and safety, and that it is compatible with the Commission's program. Following execution of the Agreement, NRC staff will continue a program of active interaction with the new Agreement State that includes the exchange of regulatory information (e.g., incident reports, policy changes, rule and guidance development), and periodic on-site reviews of the Agreement State program.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day of October, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette L. Vietti-Cook,
Secretary of the Commission.

Agreement Between the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the State of Oklahoma for Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority and Responsibility Within the State Pursuant to Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as Amended

Whereas, the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (hereinafter referred to as the Commission) is authorized under section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Act), to enter into agreements with the Governor of any State providing for discontinuance of the regulatory authority of the Commission within the State under Chapters 6, 7, and 8, and section 161 of the Act with respect to byproduct materials as defined in sections 11e.(1) and (2) of the Act, source materials, and special nuclear materials in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass; and,

Whereas, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma is authorized under section 2-9-103(c) of the Radiation Management Act (27A