

L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting by teleconference of the Return to Flight Task Group (RTF TG).

DATES: Thursday, July 22, 2004, from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: The teleconference will originate from the Apollo Annex, Suite 101, 1740 NASA Parkway, Houston, TX 77598.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Vincent D. Watkins at (281) 792-7523.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public may monitor the teleconference audio from the Apollo Annex Room 175 up to the seating capacity of the facility. Attendees will be requested to sign a register.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Welcome remarks from Co-Chair
- Discussion of status of NASA's implementation of selected Columbia Accident Investigation Board return to flight recommendations
- Action item summary from Executive Secretary
- Closing remarks from Co-Chair

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants.

R. Andrew Falcon,

*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (04-084)]

Notice of Prospective Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of prospective patent license.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Setra Systems, Inc., of Massachusetts has applied for an exclusive patent license to practice the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,693,871 entitled "Low Differential Pressure Generator," which is assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to John F. Kennedy Space Center.

DATES: Responses to this Notice must be received by July 28, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randall M. Heald, Assistant Chief Counsel/Patent Counsel, John F. Kennedy Space Center, Mail Code: CC-A, Kennedy Space Center, FL 32899, telephone (321) 867-7214.

Dated: June 30, 2004.

Keith T. Sefton,

Chief of Staff, Office of the General Counsel.

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NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

July 8, 2004.

The National Endowment for the Arts, on behalf of the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities, has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the National Endowment for the Arts' Indemnity Administrator, Alice Whelihan (202) 682-5574.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Arts, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4718, within 30 days of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g.,

permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Agency: National Endowment for the Arts.

Title: Application for Indemnification.

OMB Number: 3135-0094.

Frequency: renewed every three years.

Affected Public: Non-profit, tax exempt organizations, individuals and governments.

Number of Respondents: 40 per year.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 45 hours.

Total Burden Hours: 1800.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: 0.

Total Annual Costs (Operating/Maintaining Systems or Purchasing Services): \$100,000.

Description: This application form is used by non-profit, tax-exempt organizations (primarily museums), individuals and governmental units to apply to the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities (through the National Endowment for the Arts) for indemnification of eligible works of art and artifacts, borrowed from aboard for exhibition in the United States, or sent from the United States for exhibition abroad. The indemnity agreement is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. In the event of loss of damage to an indemnified object, the Federal Council certifies the validity of the claim and requests payment from Congress. 20 U.S.C. 973 *et seq.* requires such an application and specifies information which must be supplied. This statutory requirement is implemented by regulation at 45 CFR 1160.4.

Murray Welsh,

Director, Administrative Services.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos: (Redacted), License Nos: (Redacted), EA (Redacted)]

In the Matter of All Power Reactor Licensees and Research Reactor Licensees Who Transport Spent Nuclear Fuel; Order Modifying License (Effective Immediately)

I

The licensees identified in Attachment 1 to this Order have been issued a specific license by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) authorizing the possession of spent nuclear fuel and a general license authorizing the

transportation of spent nuclear fuel (in a transportation package approved by the Commission) in accordance with the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and 10 CFR parts 50 and 71. This Order is being issued to all such licensees who transport spent nuclear fuel. Commission regulations for the shipment of spent nuclear fuel at 10 CFR 73.37(a) require these licensees to maintain a physical protection system that meets the requirements contained in 10 CFR 73.37(b), (c), (d), and (e).

II

On September 11, 2001, terrorists simultaneously attacked targets in New York, NY, and Washington, DC, utilizing large commercial aircraft as weapons. In response to the attacks and intelligence information subsequently obtained, the Commission issued a number of Safeguards and Threat Advisories to its licensees in order to strengthen licensees' capabilities and readiness to respond to a potential attack on a nuclear facility or regulated activity. The Commission has also communicated with other Federal, State and local government agencies and industry representatives to discuss and evaluate the current threat environment in order to assess the adequacy of security measures at licensed facilities. In addition, the Commission has been conducting a comprehensive review of its safeguards and security programs and requirements.

As a result of its consideration of current safeguards and security plan requirements, as well as a review of information provided by the intelligence community, the Commission has determined that certain compensatory measures are required to be implemented by licensees as prudent, interim measures, to address the current threat environment in a consistent manner. Therefore, the Commission is imposing requirements, as set forth in Attachment 2 of this Order, on all licensees identified in Attachment 1 of this Order.¹ These compensatory requirements, which supplement existing regulatory requirements, will provide the Commission with reasonable assurance that the common defense and security continue to be adequately protected in the current threat environment. These requirements will remain in effect until the Commission determines otherwise.

The Commission recognizes that licensees may have already initiated many of the measures set forth in Attachment 2 to this Order in response

to previously issued Safeguards and Threat Advisories or on their own. It is also recognized that some measures may not be possible or necessary for all shipments of spent nuclear fuel, or may need to be tailored to accommodate the licensees' specific circumstances to achieve the intended objectives and avoid any unforeseen effect on the safe transport of spent nuclear fuel.

Although the additional security measures implemented by licensees in response to the Safeguards and Threat Advisories have been adequate to provide reasonable assurance of adequate protection of common defense and security, in light of the current threat environment, the Commission concludes that the security measures must be embodied in an Order consistent with the established regulatory framework. In order to provide assurance that licensees are implementing prudent measures to achieve a consistent level of protection to address the current threat environment, all licenses identified in Attachment 1 to this Order shall be modified to include the requirements identified in Attachment 2 to this Order. In addition, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202, and in light of the common defense and security matters identified above which warrant the issuance of this Order, the Commission finds that the public health, safety, and interest require that this Order be immediately effective.

III

Accordingly, pursuant to sections 53, 103, 104, 161b, 161i, 161o, 182 and 186 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 2.202 and 10 CFR parts 50 and 71, *it is hereby ordered*, effective immediately, that all licenses identified in Attachment 1 to this order are modified as follows:

A. All Licensees shall, notwithstanding the provisions of any Commission regulation or license to the contrary, comply with the requirements described in Attachment 2 to this Order except to the extent that a more stringent requirement is set forth in the Licensee's security plan. The Licensees shall immediately start implementation of the requirements in Attachment 2 to the Order and shall complete implementation by August 1, 2004, unless otherwise specified in Attachment 2, or before the first shipment after July 2, 2004, whichever is earlier.

B.1. All Licensees shall, within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order, notify the Commission, (1) if they are unable to comply with any of the requirements described in Attachment

2, (2) if compliance with any of the requirements is unnecessary in their specific circumstances, or (3) if implementation of any of the requirements would cause the Licensee to be in violation of the provisions of any Commission regulation or the facility license. The notification shall provide the Licensee's justification for seeking relief from or variation of any specific requirement.

2. Any Licensee that considers that implementation of any of the requirements described in Attachment 2 to this Order would adversely impact the safe transport of spent fuel must notify the Commission, within twenty (20) days of this Order, of the adverse safety impact, the basis for its determination that the requirement has an adverse safety impact, and either a proposal for achieving the same objectives specified in the Attachment 2 requirement in question, or a schedule for modifying the activity to address the adverse safety condition. If neither approach is appropriate, the Licensee must supplement its response to Condition B1 of this Order to identify the condition as a requirement with which it cannot comply, with attendant justifications as required in Condition B1.

C.1. All Licensees shall, within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order, submit to the Commission a schedule for achieving compliance with each requirement described in Attachment 2.

2. All Licensees shall report to the Commission when they have achieved full compliance with the requirements described in Attachment 2.

D. Notwithstanding any provisions of the Commission's regulations to the contrary, all measures implemented or actions taken in response to this Order shall be maintained until the Commission determines otherwise.

Licensee responses to Conditions B1, B2, C1, and C2 above, shall be submitted to the NRC to the attention of the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation under 10 CFR 50.4. In addition, Licensee submittals that contain Safeguards Information shall be properly marked and handled in accordance with 10 CFR 73.21.

The Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, may, in writing, relax or rescind any of the above conditions upon demonstration by the Licensee of good cause.

IV

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.202, the Licensee must, and any other person adversely affected by this Order may, submit an answer to this Order, and

¹ Attachments 1 and 2 contain Safeguards Information and will not be released to the public.

may request a hearing on this Order, within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the time to request a hearing. A request for extension of time in which to submit an answer or request a hearing must be made in writing to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and include a statement of good cause for the extension. The answer may consent to this Order. Unless the answer consents to this Order, the answer shall, in writing and under oath or affirmation, specifically set forth the matters of fact and law on which the Licensee or other person adversely affected relies and the reasons as to why the Order should not have been issued. Any answer or request for a hearing shall be submitted to the Secretary, Office of the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, attn: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Copies also shall be sent to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, to the Assistant General Counsel for Materials Litigation and Enforcement at the same address; to the Regional Administrator for NRC Region I, II, III, or IV, as appropriate for the specific facility; and to the Licensee if the answer or hearing request is by a person other than the Licensee. Because of potential disruptions in delivery of mail to United States Government offices, it is requested that answers and requests for hearing be transmitted to the Secretary of the Commission either by means of facsimile transmission to (301) 415-1101 or by e-mail to hearingdocket@nrc.gov, and also to the Office of the General Counsel either by means of facsimile transmission to (301) 415-3725 or by e-mail to OGCMailCenter@nrc.gov. If a person other than the Licensee requests a hearing, that person shall set forth with particularity the manner in which his interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 2.309.

If a hearing is requested by the Licensee or a person whose interest is adversely affected, the Commission will issue an Order designating the time and place of any hearing. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing shall be whether this Order should be sustained.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202(c)(2)(i), the Licensee may, in addition to demanding a hearing, at the time the answer is filed or sooner, move the presiding officer to

set aside the immediate effectiveness of the Order on the ground that the Order, including the need for immediate effectiveness, is not based on adequate evidence but on mere suspicion, unfounded allegations, or error.

In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in section III above shall be final twenty (20) days from the date of this Order without further order or proceedings. If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the provisions specified in section III shall be final when the extension expires if a hearing request has not been received.

An answer or a request for hearing shall not stay the immediate effectiveness of this order.

Dated in Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of July, 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

J.E. Dyer,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. PAPO-00]

Commissioners: Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, Edward McGaffigan, Jr., Jeffrey S. Merrifield; In the Matter of U.S. Department of Energy (High Level Waste Repository: Pre-Application Matters); CLI-04-20; Order

The Commission has promulgated regulations, found in 10 CFR part 2, subpart J, which, among other things, provide for the use of an electronic information management system to make documents available to the participants in any eventual licensing proceeding on a high-level radioactive waste repository. Requiring participants to place pertinent documents into the Licensing Support Network (LSN) for use by the other participants obviates the need for the traditional means of document discovery and will allow potential parties to use some part of the pre-application period to review documentary information and prepare contentions for filing in petitions to intervene. In promulgating its regulations, the Commission recognized that there is a potential for disputes among the participants regarding document withholding from the LSN.

Section 2.1010 of subpart J requires that the Commission designate an official to rule on those disputes, a Pre-

License Application Presiding Officer (PAPO). Subpart J defines the PAPO as “one or more members of the Commission, or an atomic safety and licensing board (ASLB), or a named officer who has been delegated final authority in the pre-license application phase with jurisdiction specified at the time of designation.” 10 CFR 2.1010(a)(1). That official is to be designated no later than fifteen days after the Department of Energy (DOE)—the potential applicant for a license authorizing construction of a high-level radioactive waste repository—provides a written certification to the NRC pursuant to 10 CFR 2.1009(b) that DOE has identified the pertinent documentary information and made it electronically available.¹ DOE provided that certification to NRC on June 30, 2004. The purpose of this order is to designate a PAPO and set forth the jurisdiction of that official.

Designation of the PAPO

The Commission hereby designates the Chief Administrative Judge of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, G. Paul Bollwerk, III, as the PAPO. As set forth below, he is authorized to delegate that authority.

PAPO's Powers and Jurisdiction

The Commission authorizes the PAPO to delegate his authority in whole or in part to any member or members of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel to serve singly or jointly on one or more boards.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.1010(e), the PAPO possesses all the general powers specified in § 2.319 and § 2.321(c) that the PAPO requires to carry out its responsibilities. As provided by 10 CFR 2.1010(a)(1) and (b), the PAPO is granted this authority *solely* for the purpose of ruling on disputes over the electronic availability of documents, including disputes relating to claims of privilege and those relating to the implementation of recommendations of the Advisory Review Panel established under § 2.1011(d). Pursuant to § 2.1010(b), the PAPO shall rule on any claim of document withholding except as otherwise provided in this order or subsequent order of the Commission. In 10 CFR 2.1005, the Commission has delineated classes of documents that are to be excluded from the LSN. The Commission calls attention to recent changes to that section of the regulations. See 69 FR 32836 (June 14,

¹ We note receipt of a June 2, 2004, letter from counsel for the State of Nevada requesting the Commission “to appoint a Pre-Application Presiding Officer immediately.” This Order addresses that request.