

A copy of the final supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW (lower level), Washington, DC. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>). The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer by May 6, 1999. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date. Erik Godwin, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0055), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3084.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo. Shelton, 301-415-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of March 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 040-8778]

License Amendment by Molycorp, Inc.; Meeting

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will hold this public meeting to: (1) discuss with the public its review of a license amendment request by Molycorp, Inc., to construct and operate an interim (5-10 year) storage facility at its ferro-alloy production plant in Washington, PA; and (2) discuss the status of decommissioning of the Washington, PA, site.

In August of 1992, Molycorp informed NRC of its intent to terminate the Source Material license for its York, PA, facility. The amendment request to construct the storage facility was submitted to NRC in a letter from the licensee dated February 8, 1996. A subsequent request for storage of Molycorp York soils at the Molycorp,

Washington, site was proposed as part of a decommissioning plan for the York site. The radioactive soils were generated in operations conducted at the York rare earth metal recovery facility from 1965 to 1992. These soils have a volume of approximately 3,000 cubic yards and before approval of the amendment request can be granted, the licensee must demonstrate that containment will be provided for the radioactive soils (contaminated with thorium-228 and uranium-238) proposed to be transported from York to Washington, PA. The NRC review is assessing the environmental and safety impacts of this request.

DATES: April 15, 1999, at 6 pm.

ADDRESSES: North Trinity Elementary School, 225 Midland Drive, Washington, Pennsylvania.

STATUS: Public and Open.

The NRC staff has arranged this public meeting to discuss the NRC's review conducted to assess the potential significance of environmental impacts associated with the amendment request. The results of the review will be considered along with other factors in determining whether construction of the interim storage facility will be granted. In addition, the status of decommissioning of the Washington, PA, site will be discussed.

AGENDA FOR MOLYCORP MEETING: This public meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Topic Lead

1. Introduction and discussion of meeting participation procedures—John Olshock, Solicitor, Canton Township Supervisors
2. Introduction of NRC staff and discussion of NRC decision making process—Robert Nelson, Chief, NRC Special Projects Section
3. Presentation of NRC review—Roy Person, Sr. Materials Engineer, NRC
4. Questions/answers and comments—Meeting participants
5. Summary of action items—Robert Nelson
6. Adjourn meeting—Canton Township Supervisors

For further information regarding this meeting, contact Roy Person of the NRC, at (301) 415-6701. For further details with respect to this action, the draft environmental assessment for this licensing action and the Decommissioning Plan for the York site are available for inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room, 2120 L Street N.W., Washington, DC 20555.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of March 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John W.N. Hickey,

Chief, Low-Level Waste and Decommissioning Projects Branch, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-272 and 50-311]

Public Service Electric and Gas Co.; Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an exemption from certain requirements of its regulations to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-70 and DPR-75 for the Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, issued to the Public Service Electric and Gas Company (the licensee), for operation of the Salem Nuclear Generating Station, located in Salem County, New Jersey.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed action would exempt the licensee from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.71(e)(4) regarding submission of revisions to the updated final safety analysis report (UFSAR). Under the proposed exemption, the licensee would schedule updates to UFSAR, common for both units, based on the refueling cycle of Salem Unit 1 and at intervals not to exceed 24 months.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The *Code of Federal Regulations*, 10 CFR 50.71(e)(4), requires licensees to submit updates to their FSAR annually or within 6 months after each refueling outage provided that the interval between successive updates does not exceed 24 months. Since Units 1 and 2 share a common FSAR, the licensee must update the same document annually or within 6 months after a refueling outage for either unit. The underlying purpose of the rule was to relieve licensees of the burden of filing annual FSAR revisions while assuring that such revisions are made at least every 24 months. The Commission reduced the burden, in part, by permitting a licensee to submit its FSAR revisions 6 months after refueling outages for its facility, but did not provide for multiple unit facilities

sharing a common FSAR in the rule. Rather, the Commission stated: "With respect to the concern about multiple facilities sharing a common FSAR, licensees will have maximum flexibility for scheduling updates on a case-by-case basis" (57 FR 39355) (1992). Allowing the exemption would maintain the updated FSAR current within 24 months of the last revision.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that it involves administrative activities unrelated to plant operation.

The proposed action will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released off site, and there is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential non-radiological impacts, the proposed action does not involve any historic sites. It does not affect non-radiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, there are no significant non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with this action.

Alternative to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action (i.e., the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the exemption would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the Salem Nuclear Generating Station.

Agencies and Persons Contacted

In accordance with its stated policy, on March 31, 1999, the staff consulted with the New Jersey State official, Mr. Dennis Zannoni, Chief, Bureau of Nuclear Engineering, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

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

For further details with respect to this action, see the licensee's letter dated December 2, 1998, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington DC, and at the local public document room located at the Salem Free Public Library, 112 West Broadway, Salem, NJ 08079.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of March 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Elinor G. Adensam,

Director, Project Directorate I-2, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Joint Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittees on Reliability and Probabilistic Risk Assessment and on Regulatory Policies and Practices; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittees on Reliability and Probabilistic Risk Assessment and on Regulatory Policies and Practices will hold a joint meeting on April 21, 1999, Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, April 21, 1999—8:30 a.m. until the conclusion of business

The Subcommittees will review the staff reconciliation of public comments on performance-based initiatives (SECY-98-132); plan for pursuing performance-based initiatives, candidate activities, and related matters; and NUREG/CR-5392, "Elements of an Approach to Performance-Based Regulatory Oversight." The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the

concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittees, their consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff engineer named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

During the initial portion of the meeting, the Subcommittees, along with any of their consultants who may be present, may exchange preliminary views regarding matters to be considered during the balance of the meeting.

The Subcommittees will then hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff, their consultants, and other interested persons regarding this review.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff engineer, Mr. Michael T. Markley (telephone 301/415-6885) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EST). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes to the agenda, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: March 30, 1999.

Richard P. Savio,

Associate Director for Technical Support, ACRS/ACNW.

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POSTAL SERVICE

Privacy Act of 1974, System of Records

AGENCY: Postal Service.

ACTION: Notice of modification to an existing system of records.

SUMMARY: This document publishes notice of modification to Privacy Act System of Records USPS 120.151, Personnel Records—Recruiting, Examining, and Appointment Records. The proposed modification expands the system location to include contractor sites.

DATES: Any interested party may submit written comments on the proposed