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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* "National Science Foundation Applicant Survey".

*OMB Approval Number:* 3145-0096.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* June 30, 2008.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to extend with revision an information collection for three years.

*Proposed Project:* The current National Science Foundation Applicant survey has been in use for several years. Data are collected from applicant pools to examine the racial/sexual/disability composition and to determine the source of information about NSF vacancies.

*Use of the Information:* Analysis of the applicant pools is necessary to determine if NSF's targeted recruitment efforts are reaching groups that are underrepresented in the Agency's workforce and/or to defend the Foundation's practices in discrimination cases.

*Burden on the Public:* The Foundation estimates about 4,000 responses annually at 1 minute per response; this computes to approximately 67 hours annually.

Dated: January 22, 2008.

**Suzanne H. Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste and Materials; Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting**

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste and Materials (ACNW&M) will hold a Planning and Procedures meeting on February 12, 2008, Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACNW&M, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

*Tuesday, February 12, 2008—8:30 a.m.—10 a.m.*

The Committee will discuss proposed ACNW&M activities and related matters. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Officer, Dr. Antonio F. Dias (Telephone: 301-415-6805) between 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. (ET) 5 days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Detailed procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW&M meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on September 26, 2007 (72 FR 54693).

Further information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Officer between 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. (ET). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual at least 2 working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes in the agenda.

Dated: January 22, 2008.

**Antonio F. Dias,**

*Chief, Nuclear Waste & Materials Branch.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket Nos. 52-014 and 52-015]

**Tennessee Valley Authority; Acceptance for Docketing of an Application for Combined License for Bellefonte Units 3 and 4**

By letter dated October 30, 2007, as supplemented by letters dated November 2, 2007, January 8, 2008, and January 14, 2008, the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), submitted an application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for a combined license (COL) for two AP1000 advanced passive pressurized water reactors in accordance with the requirements contained in 10 CFR 52, "Licenses, Certifications and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants." These reactors will be identified as Bellefonte Units 3 and 4 and located near the town of Scottsboro in Jackson County, Alabama. A notice of receipt and

availability of this application was previously published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 66200) on November 27, 2007.

The NRC staff has determined that TVA has submitted information in accordance with 10 CFR part 2, "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings and Issuance of Orders," and 10 CFR part 52 that is acceptable for docketing. The docket numbers established for Units 3 and 4 are 52-014, and 52-015, respectively.

The NRC staff will perform a detailed technical review of the application. Docketing of the application does not preclude the NRC from requesting additional information from the applicant as the review proceeds, nor does it predict whether the Commission will grant or deny the application. The Commission will conduct a hearing in accordance with Subpart L, "Informal Hearing Procedures for NRC Adjudications," of 10 CFR part 2 and will receive a report on the COL application from the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards in accordance with 10 CFR 52.87, "Referral to the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS)." If the Commission finds that the COL application meets the applicable standards of the Atomic Energy Act and the Commission's regulations, and that required notifications to other agencies and bodies have been made, the Commission will issue a COL, in the form and containing conditions and limitations that the Commission finds appropriate and necessary.

In accordance with 10 CFR part 51, the Commission will also prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action. 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.

Finally, the Commission will announce in a future **Federal Register** notice the opportunity to petition for leave to intervene in the hearing required for this application by 10 CFR 52.85.

Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland 20852, and will be accessible electronically through the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. The

application is also available at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-licensing/col.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of January 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**David B. Matthews,**

*Director, Division of New Reactor Licensing,  
Office of New Reactors.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-027; EA-08-023]

### In the Matter of: Washington State University (Washington State University TRIGA Reactor); Order Modifying Amended Facility Operating License No. R-76

#### I.

Washington State University (the licensee) is the holder of Amended Facility Operating License No. R-76 (the license) originally issued on March 6, 1961, by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission and subsequently renewed on August 11, 1982, by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the NRC or the Commission). The license authorizes operation of the Washington State University TRIGA Reactor (the facility) at a power level up to 1,000 kilowatts thermal and to receive, possess, and use special nuclear material associated with the operation. The facility is a research reactor located on the campus of the Washington State University, in the city of Pullman, Whitman County, Washington. The mailing address is Nuclear Radiation Center, Washington State University, P.O. Box 641300, Pullman, Washington 99164-1300.

#### II.

Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) section 50.64, limits the use of high-enriched uranium (HEU) fuel in domestic non-power reactors (research and test reactors) (see 51 FR 6514). The regulation, which became effective on March 27, 1986, requires that if Federal Government funding for conversion-related costs is available, each licensee of a non-power reactor authorized to use HEU fuel shall replace it with low-enriched uranium (LEU) fuel acceptable to the Commission unless the Commission has

determined that the reactor has a unique purpose. The Commission's stated purpose for these requirements was to reduce, to the maximum extent possible, the use of HEU fuel in order to reduce the risk of theft and diversion of HEU fuel used in non-power reactors.

Paragraphs 50.64(b)(2)(i) and (ii) require that a licensee of a non-power reactor (1) not acquire more HEU fuel if LEU fuel that is acceptable to the Commission for that reactor is available when the licensee proposes to acquire HEU fuel and (2) replace all HEU fuel in its possession with available LEU fuel acceptable to the Commission for that reactor in accordance with a schedule determined pursuant to 10 CFR 50.64(c)(2).

Paragraph 50.64(c)(2)(i) requires, among other things, that each licensee of a non-power reactor authorized to possess and to use HEU fuel develop and submit to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (Director) by March 27, 1987, and at 12-month intervals thereafter, a written proposal for meeting the requirements of the rule. The licensee shall include in its proposal a certification that Federal Government funding for conversion is available through the U.S. Department of Energy or other appropriate Federal agency; and a schedule for conversion, based upon availability of replacement fuel acceptable to the Commission for that reactor and upon consideration of other factors such as the availability of shipping casks, implementation of arrangements for available financial support, and reactor usage.

Paragraph 50.64(c)(2)(iii) requires the licensee to include in the proposal, to the extent required to effect conversion, all necessary changes to the license, to the facility, and to licensee procedures. This paragraph also requires the licensee to submit supporting safety analyses in time to meet the conversion schedule.

Paragraph 50.64(c)(2)(iii) also requires the Director to review the licensee proposal, to confirm the status of Federal Government funding, and to determine a final schedule, if the licensee has submitted a schedule for conversion.

Section 50.64(c)(3) requires the Director to review the supporting safety analyses and to issue an appropriate enforcement order directing both the conversion and, to the extent consistent with protection of public health and safety, any necessary changes to the license, the facility, and licensee procedures. In the **Federal Register** notice of the final rule (51 FR 6514), the Commission explained that in most, if not all, cases, the enforcement order

would be an order to modify the license under 10 CFR 2.204 (now 10 CFR 2.202).

Section 2.309 states the requirements for a person whose interest may be affected by any proceeding to initiate a hearing or to participate as a party.

#### III.

The NRC maintains an Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. On August 15, 2007 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML072410493 and ML080170058), as supplemented on December 14, 2007 (ADAMS Accession No. ML080090628), and January 15, 2008 (ADAMS Accession No. ML080170037), the licensee submitted its conversion proposal. The NRC staff is in the process of reviewing the conversion proposal. The licensee indicated in their conversion proposal that a separate order increasing the uranium-235 possession limit in its license was needed to minimize down time of the reactor during the refueling process. The licensee also stated that there is a constraint on the shipment of LEU fuel because the certification of the shipping cask used to transfer the LEU fuel from the manufacturer in France will expire before the order for reactor conversion can be issued. The receipt and possession, but not use in the reactor, of the LEU fuel is required by the licensee at this time to assemble the fuel elements in order to meet the proposed timely conversion. The LEU fuel contains the uranium-235 isotope at an enrichment of less than 20 percent. The NRC staff reviewed the licensee's proposal and the requirements of 10 CFR 50.64, and has determined that the public health and safety and common defense and security require the licensee to receive and possess the LEU fuel prior to the conversion. This is necessary so that LEU fuel can be shipped to the licensee before the shipping cask certification expires and that the LEU fuel elements may be prepared to convert the reactor from HEU fuel in accordance with the schedules planned by the Department of Energy to support U.S. non-proliferation policies and the licensee to support its academic mission.

#### IV.

Accordingly, pursuant to sections 51, 53, 57, 101, 104, 161b, 161i, and 161o of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and to Commission regulations in 10 CFR 2.202 and 10 CFR 50.64, *it is hereby ordered that:*