

09–3 (December 17, 2009) that contain guidance to recipients on compliance and fiscal management issues. Those Program Letters have been referenced in the proposed revisions to the Accounting Guide. Section 2–3.1. Also, the LSC Board of Directors at its January 30, 2010 meeting will consider the possibility of engaging in rulemaking to modify or eliminate 45 CFR Part 1642 (attorneys' fees) to reflect changes contained in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010, P.L. 111–117. Should there be a regulatory change to 45 CFR Part 1642 there would be a subsequent change to section 2–2.6 (Court-Awarded Attorney Fees) of the Accounting Guide (2010 edition.)

(6) *Revisions to accounting procedures and internal controls to reflect current best practices.* Appendix VII of the current Accounting Guide (1997) contains a checklist of accounting procedures and internal controls. The proposed revisions update the checklist to reflect current best practices.

(7) *Updated and new references to other sources of information.* The Accounting Guide (1997) contains numerous references to other sources of information. The proposed revisions update and make new references where appropriate.

(8) *Other changes to clarify existing provisions.* The proposed revisions clarify existing sections to make the provisions easier to understand.

LSC invites public comment on the proposed revisions to the Accounting Guide. Interested parties may submit comments to LSC by March 19, 2010. The proposed revisions to the Accounting Guide for LSC Recipients (2010 edition), in redline format indicating the proposed changes to the current Accounting Guide (1997), can be located by accessing LSC's Web site at [http://www.lsc.gov/pdfs/proposed\\_revisions\\_to\\_accounting\\_guide\\_for\\_lsc\\_recipients.pdf](http://www.lsc.gov/pdfs/proposed_revisions_to_accounting_guide_for_lsc_recipients.pdf).

Dated: January 27, 2010.

**Mattie Cohan,**

*Senior Assistant General Counsel, Legal Services Corporation.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Proposal Review Panel for Chemistry; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463 as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

*Name:* Site visit of the Centers for Chemical Innovation (CCI) at The Georgia Institute of Technology and The University of Massachusetts, Proposal Review Panel for Chemistry (#1191).

*Dates and Times:*  
March 8, 2010; 6 p.m.–9 p.m.  
March 9, 2010; 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m.  
March 10, 2010; 8 a.m.–8 p.m.

*Places:* Department of Chemistry, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA 30332.

Department of Chemistry, The University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01002.

*Type of Meeting:* Part-open.

*Contact Person:* Dr. William Brittain, Program Director, Chemistry Centers Program, Division of Materials Research, Room 1055, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone (703) 292–5039.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning Phase II funding.

*Agenda:* Monday, March 8, 2010 (Atlanta, GA).

6 p.m.–7 p.m. Closed—Panel Briefing.

7 p.m.–9 p.m. Open—Dinner.

Tuesday, March 9, 2010 (Atlanta, GA).

8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Open—CCI Presentation.

12 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Closed—Executive Session/Lunch.

1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Open—CCI Presentation.

2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

Wednesday, March 10, 2010 (Amherst, MA).

8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Open—CCI Presentation.

12 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Closed—Executive Session/Lunch.

1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Open—CCI Presentation.

2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

4:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Closed—Executive Session.

*Reason for Closing:* The work being reviewed may include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552 b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 28, 2010.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 9:30 a.m., Thursday, February 18, 2010.

**PLACE:** NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20594.

**STATUS:** The One item is open to the public.

**MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:**

5300J Most Wanted List

Transportation Safety Improvements, February 2010 Progress Report and Update on Federal Issues.

**NEWS MEDIA CONTACT:** Telephone: (202) 314–6100.

The press and public may enter the NTSB Conference Center one hour prior to the meeting for set up and seating.

Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Rochelle Hall at (202) 314–6305 by Friday, February 12, 2010.

The public may view the meeting via a live or archived webcast by accessing a link under “News & Events” on the NTSB home page at <http://www.nts.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Candi Bing, (202) 314–6403.

Dated: January 29, 2010.

**Candi R. Bing,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2010–0029; Docket No. 50–397]

### Energy Northwest; Notice of Receipt and Availability of Application for Renewal of Columbia Generating Station Facility Operating License No. NPF–21 for an Additional 20-Year Period

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) has received an application, dated January 19, 2010, from Energy Northwest (EN), filed pursuant to Section 103 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 54 (10 CFR part 54), to renew the operating license for the Columbia Generating Station (CGS). Renewal of the license would authorize the applicant to operate the facility for an additional 20-year period beyond the period specified in the current operating license. The current operating license for CGS (NPF–21), expires on December 20, 2023. CGS is a boiling-water reactor designed by Burns & Roe. CGS is located 12 miles north of Richland, WA. The acceptability of the tendered application for docketing, and other matters, including an opportunity to request a hearing, will be the subject of subsequent **Federal Register** notices.

Copies of the application are available to the public at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 or through

the Internet from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room under Accession Number ML100250668. The ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. In addition, the application is available at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications.html>. Persons who do not have access to the Internet or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC's PDR reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, extension 4737, or by e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

A copy of the license renewal application for CGS is also available to local residents near the site at the Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Drive, Richland, WA 99352 and at the Kennewick Branch of Mid-Columbia Libraries, 1620 South Union Street, Kennewick, WA 99338.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of January 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Brian E. Holian,**

*Director, Division of License Renewal, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2010-0030; Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, and 50-296]

### Tennessee Valley Authority; Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2, and 3 Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an Exemption, pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 73.5, "Specific exemptions," from the implementation date for certain new requirements of 10 CFR Part 73, "Physical protection of plants and materials," for Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-33, DPR-52, and DPR-68, issued to Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA, the licensee), for operation of the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2, and 3 (BFN), located in Limestone County, Alabama. In accordance with 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC prepared an environmental assessment documenting its finding. The NRC concluded that the proposed actions will have no significant environmental impact.

### Environmental Assessment

#### *Identification of the Proposed Action:*

The proposed action would exempt the TVA from the required implementation date of March 31, 2010, for several new requirements of 10 CFR part 73. Specifically, BFN would be granted an exemption from being in full compliance with certain new requirements contained in 10 CFR 73.55 by the March 31, 2010, deadline. TVA has proposed an alternate full compliance implementation date of December 20, 2012, approximately two and three-quarter years beyond the date required by 10 CFR part 73. The proposed action, an extension of the schedule for completion of certain actions required by the revised 10 CFR part 73, does not involve any physical changes to the reactor, fuel, plant structures, support structures, water, or land at the BFN site.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application dated November 6, 2009, as supplemented by letter dated January 11, 2010.

#### *The Need for the Proposed Action:*

The proposed action is needed to provide the licensee with additional time to perform the required upgrades to the BFN security system because they involve new components and engineering that cannot be obtained or completed by the March 31, 2010, implementation date.

#### *Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action:*

The NRC has completed its environmental assessment of the proposed exemption. The staff has concluded that the proposed action to extend the implementation deadline would not significantly affect plant safety and would not have a significant adverse effect on the probability of an accident occurring.

The proposed action would not result in an increased radiological hazard beyond those previously analyzed in the environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact made by the Commission in promulgating its revisions to 10 CFR part 73 as discussed in a **Federal Register** notice dated March 27, 2009 (74 FR 13967). There will be no change to radioactive effluents that affect radiation exposures to plant workers and members of the public. Therefore, no changes or different types of radiological impacts are expected as a result of the proposed exemption.

The proposed action does not result in changes to land use or water use, or result in changes to the quality or quantity of non-radiological effluents. No changes to the National Pollution

Discharge Elimination System permit are needed. No effects on the aquatic or terrestrial habitat in the vicinity of the plant, or to threatened, endangered, or protected species under the Endangered Species Act, or impacts to essential fish habitat covered by the Magnuson-Stevens Act are expected. There are no impacts to the air or ambient air quality.

There are no impacts to historical and cultural resources. There would be no impact to socioeconomic resources. Therefore, no changes to or different types of non-radiological environmental impacts are expected as a result of the proposed exemption.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action. In addition, in promulgating its revisions to 10 CFR part 73, the Commission prepared an environmental assessment and published a finding of no significant impact [Part 73, Power Reactor Security Requirements, 74 FR 13926, 13967 (March 27, 2009)].

The licensee currently maintains a security system acceptable to the NRC and will continue to provide acceptable physical protection of the BFN as TVA implements certain new requirements in 10 CFR part 73. Therefore, the extension of the implementation date of the new requirements of 10 CFR part 73 to December 20, 2012, would not have any significant environmental impacts.

The NRC staff's safety evaluation will be provided in the exemption that will be issued as part of the letter to the licensee approving the exemption to the regulation, if granted.

#### *Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action:*

As an alternative to the proposed action, the NRC staff considered denial of the proposed action (*i.e.*, the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the exemption request would result in no change in current environmental impacts. If the proposed action was denied, the licensee would have to comply with the March 31, 2010, implementation deadline. The environmental impacts of the proposed exemption and the "no action" alternative are similar.

#### *Alternative Use of Resources:*

The action does not involve the use of any different resources than those considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the BFN dated September 1, 1972.

#### *Agencies and Persons Consulted:*

In accordance with its stated policy, on December 24, 2009, the NRC staff consulted with the Alabama State official, Kirk Whatley of the Office of Radiological Control, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed