

salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act. NSF will continue to review the agenda and merits of each meeting for overall compliance of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

These closed proposal review meetings will not be announced on an individual basis in the **Federal Register**. NSF intends to publish a notice similar to this on a quarterly basis. For an advance listing of the closed proposal review meetings that include the names of the proposal review panel and the time, date, place, and any information on changes, corrections, or cancellations, please visit the NSF Web site: <http://www.nsf.gov>. This information may also be requested by telephoning, 703/292-8182.

Dated: August 27, 2010.

**Susanne Bolton,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541)

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by October 1, 2010. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nadene G. Kennedy at the above address or (703) 292-7405.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

#### 1. Applicant

Permit Application No. 2011-005.

George Waters, Director, U.S. AMLR Program, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA 92038.

#### Activity for Which Permit is Requested

Take, Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas, and Import into the USA. This notice amends the notice published in the **Federal Register** on July 21, 2010 for George Waters to include the installation of four snow-measurement gauges at Cape Shirreff (ASPA #149) and four at Copacabana, Admiralty Bay (ASPA #128). Each gauge will be constructed with a single metal rod, 1.5 to 2.5m in length, and >2.5cm in diameter, that will be driven into the ground to a depth of circa 0.5m. The gauges would be installed at four locations at each site, in the vicinity of seabird colonies or seal rookeries. The applicant recognizes that ultrasonic snow-depth sensing equipment is available, however positioning such devices near seabird and pinniped colonies would require additional towers/power supplies that are currently unavailable at these field sites. To take this step would be more intrusive to the sites, as it would require not only more gear, but more setup and installation effort (aka disturbance) near the animals. The low-tech solution is preferable, and more reliable over time.

#### Location

Cape Shirreff, Livingston Island (ASPA #149) and Copacabana field camp at Admiralty Bay, King George Island (ASPA # 128).

#### Dates

October 1, 2010 to July 31, 2011.

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**

*Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 72-10 (50-282/306)]

### Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Materials License Amendment to SNM-2506 Prairie Island Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Site

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) has issued Amendment 7 to Materials License SNM-2506 held by the Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota Corporation (NSPM<sup>1</sup> or the licensee), authorizing receipt, possession, transfer, and storage of spent fuel at the Prairie Island Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) located onsite at its Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant site in Goodhue County, Minnesota. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance and shall be implemented within ninety (90) days of the date of issuance.

By application dated March 28, 2008, as supplemented June 26 and August 29, 2008, June 26 and September 28, 2009, January 18, May 4, and July 27, 2010, NSPM requested to amend its ISFSI license and to reformat the license Technical Specifications (TS) for the Prairie Island ISFSI in accordance with 10 CFR part 72. The licensee proposed in the license amendment request (LAR) to modify the TN-40 cask for storage of higher initially enriched and higher burnup fuel. The modified cask is designated the TN-40HT storage cask. This amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR chapter I,

<sup>1</sup> On September 22, 2008, Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) transferred its operating authority to Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation (NSPM), doing business as Xcel Energy. By letter dated September 3, 2008 (package, ML082240762), NSPM assumed responsibility for actions and commitments previously submitted by NMC.

which are set forth in the license amendment.

In accordance with 10 CFR 72.46(b)(2), a determination has been made that the amendment does not present a genuine issue as to whether public health and safety will be significantly affected. Therefore, immediate action on the license amendment may be taken and a notice of the action taken will be promptly published in the **Federal Register**. This **Federal Register** notice also informs interested persons of the right to request a hearing on whether the action should be rescinded or modified.

Also in connection with this action, the Commission prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The Notice of Availability of the EA and FONSI for Prairie Island ISFSI was published in the **Federal Register** on December 4, 2009 (74 FR 63798).

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of the EA and FONSI are available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 20th day of August 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Eric Benner,**

*Branch Chief, Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2010-0289]

### Notice of Availability and Opportunity for Comment on Draft Division of Safety Systems Interim Staff Guidance DSS-ISG-2010-01: Staff Guidance Regarding the Nuclear Criticality Safety Analysis for Spent Fuel Pools

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requests public comment on a draft Division of Safety Systems Interim Staff Guidance, (DSS-ISG) DSS-ISG-2010-01, "Staff Guidance Regarding the Nuclear Criticality Safety

Analysis for Spent Fuel Pools." This draft DSS-ISG provides updated guidance to the NRC staff reviewer to address the increased complexity of recent spent fuel pool (SFP) license application analyses and operations. The guidance is intended to reiterate existing guidance, clarify ambiguity in existing guidance, and identify lessons learned based on recent submittals.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted by October 1, 2010. Comments received after this date will be considered, if it is practical to do so, but only comments received on or before this date can be assured consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any one of the following methods. Please include Docket ID NRC-2010-0289 in the subject line of your comments. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be posted on the NRC Web site and on the Federal rulemaking Web site <http://www.regulations.gov>. Your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, therefore, you should not include any information in your comments that you do not want publicly disclosed.

The NRC requests that any party soliciting or aggregating comments received from other persons for submission to the NRC inform those persons that the NRC will not edit their comments to remove any identifying or contact information, and therefore, they should not include any information in their comments that they do not want publicly disclosed.

*Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for documents filed under Docket ID NRC-2010-0289. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher 301-492-3668; e-mail [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov).

*Mail comments to:* Cindy K. Bladey, Chief, Rules, Announcements and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by fax to RADB at (301) 492-3667.

You can access publicly available documents related to this notice using the following methods:

*NRC's Public Document Room (PDR):* The public may examine and have copied for a fee publicly available documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

*NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC are available

electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this page, the public can gain entry into ADAMS, which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC's PDR reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The Staff Guidance Regarding the Nuclear Criticality Safety Analysis Accompanying Spent Fuel Pool License Amendment Requests, DSS-ISG-2010-01, is available electronically under ADAMS Accession Number ML102220567.

*Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Public comments and supporting materials related to this notice can be found at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching on Docket ID: NRC-2010-0289.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kent A. L. Wood, Reactor Systems Engineer, Reactor Systems Branch, Division of Safety Systems, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Telephone: (301) 415-4120; fax number: (301) 415-3577; e-mail: [Kent.Wood@nrc.gov](mailto:Kent.Wood@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NRC is issuing this notice to solicit public comments on the draft DSS-ISG-2010-01, "Staff Guidance Regarding the Nuclear Criticality Safety Analysis Accompanying Spent Fuel Pool License Amendment Requests." After the NRC staff considers any public comments received, it will make a determination regarding issuance of the proposed DSS-ISG.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of August 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**William H. Ruland,**

*Director, Division of Safety Systems, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT OFFICE

### Proposed Collection; Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Form, Demographic Information on Applicants, OMB 3046-0046; Correction

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice; correction.

**SUMMARY:** The published document in the Federal Register of August 2, 2010,