

exemption that will be issued as part of the letter to the licensee approving the exemption to 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix R, Section III.G.2.

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

Based on the nature of the 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 or 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 historic and cultural resources. There would be no noticeable effect on socioeconomic conditions in the region. Therefore, no changes or different types of non-radiological environmental impacts are expected as a result of the proposed action. Accordingly, the NRC staff concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

#### *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 application would not result in a decrease in current environmental impacts. If the proposed action was denied, the licensee would have to perform plant modifications to achieve compliance. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

#### *Alternative Use of Resources*

The action does not involve the use of any different resources than those previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for PBAPS Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3, dated April 1973, and for PBAPS Unit Nos. 2 and 3, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants," (NUREG-1437, Supplement 10), dated January 2003.

#### *Agencies and Persons Consulted*

In accordance with its stated policy, on September xx, 2010, the NRC staff consulted with the Pennsylvania State official, Bradley Fuller, of the Pennsylvania State Department of Environmental Protection, 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 NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated March 6, 2009, as supplemented on February 12, 2010 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML090680141 and ML100470774, respectively). Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Room O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or send an e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 17th day of September 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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#### **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket No. 70-1257; NRC-2009-0028]

#### **Notice of Issuance of Amendment No. 1 for Special Nuclear Material License No. SNM-1227 [AREVA NP, Inc., Richland, WA]**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of license amendment.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Introduction**

By letter dated June 12, 2008, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), AREVA NP, Inc. (AREVA) requested approval of an amendment to its Special Nuclear Material License No. SNM-1227 which would authorize AREVA to install and operate a new process at its fuel fabrication facility in Richland, Washington, that will use supercritical carbon dioxide to extract uranium from waste material that contains a relatively low percentage of uranium. This submittal was revised and resubmitted by AREVA on August 22, 2008, to reflect the required portion marking set forth in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) 2.390(b). Pursuant to the requirements in 10 CFR 2.106, the NRC is providing notice that Amendment No. 1 for Special Nuclear Material License No. SNM-1227 has been issued. AREVA's request for the proposed amendment was previously noticed, and an opportunity to request a hearing was provided in the **Federal Register** on January 16, 2009 (74 FR 3110-3114). The NRC staff evaluated AREVA's license amendment request and concluded that it meets the regulatory criteria for a categorical exclusion, as described in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11). This conclusion is documented in the NRC staff's Safety Evaluation Report (SER).

This license amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and NRC's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter 1. Accordingly, this license was amended on July 28, 2010, and is effective immediately.

##### **II. Further Information**

The NRC has prepared an SER that documents the information that was reviewed and the NRC's conclusion. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," details with respect to this action, including the SER and accompanying documentation included in the license package, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession numbers for the public version of the documents related to this notice are:

(a) June 12, 2008, Original License Amendment Application: ML081700146;

(b) August 22, 2008, Revised License Amendment Application: ML082420070 and ML082420071;

(c) SER in Support of License Amendment Application: ML101550158; and

(d) Amended Special Nuclear Material License No. SNM-1227: ML101550153.

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These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O-1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated at Rockville, MD this 16th day of September 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

### **Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Radiation Protection and Nuclear Materials**

The ACRS Subcommittee on Radiation Protection and Nuclear Materials will hold a meeting on October 22, 2010, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

#### **Friday, October 22, 2010—1 p.m. until 5 p.m.**

The Subcommittee will review the Standard Review Plan for Renewal of Independent Spent Fuel Storage

Installation Licenses and Dry Cask Storage System Certificates of Compliance. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and other interested persons regarding this matter. The Subcommittee will 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 Official (DFO), Christopher Brown (Telephone 301-415-7111 or E-mail [Christopher.Brown@nrc.gov](mailto:Christopher.Brown@nrc.gov)) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be e-mailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. 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 ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 14, 2009, (74 FR 58268-58269).

Detailed meeting agendas and meeting transcripts are available on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acrs>. Information regarding topics to be discussed, changes to the agenda, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the time allotted to present oral statements can be obtained from the Web site cited above or by contacting the identified DFO. Moreover, in view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with these references if such rescheduling would result in a major inconvenience.

Dated: September 20, 2010.

**Christopher Brown,**

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

### **Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Plant License Renewal**

The ACRS Subcommittee on Plant License Renewal will hold a meeting on October 22, 2010, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

#### **Friday, October 22, 2010—8:30 a.m. until 12 p.m.**

The Subcommittee will review the proposed Revision 2 to NUREG-1801, "Generic Aging Lessons Learned (GALL) Report." The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and other interested persons regarding this matter. The Subcommittee will 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 Official (DFO), Peter Wen (Telephone 301-415-2832 or E-mail [Peter.Wen@nrc.gov](mailto:Peter.Wen@nrc.gov)) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be e-mailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. 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 ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 14, 2009, (74 FR 58268-58269).

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