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ALL AGREEMENT STATES, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA, VIRGINIA
CONSOLIDATED DECOMMISSIONING GUIDANCE (FSME-07-010)

**Purpose:** To announce the availability of two revised guidance documents on decommissioning in the NUREG-1757 series.


**Background:** Enclosed is Federal Register Notice 71 FR 78234 announcing the availability of two volumes of NUREG-1757, “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance.” The first volume is “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Decommissioning Process for Materials Licensees” (NUREG-1757, Vol. 1, Rev. 2), which provides guidance for planning and implementing the termination of materials licenses. The second volume, “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Characterization, Survey, and Determination of Radiological Criteria” (NUREG-1757, Vol. 2, Rev. 1), provides guidance for compliance with the radiological criteria for termination of licenses. The guidance is intended for use by NRC staff, licensees.

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Enclosure:
As stated
—Eliminate unimportant issues; and
—Identify public concerns.

The scoping meeting began with NRC staff providing a description of the NRC’s role and mission. NRC staff gave a brief overview of the licensing process followed by a brief description of the environmental review process. The bulk of the meeting was reserved for attendees to make oral comments.

6.0 Scoping Comments

Written comments should be mailed to the address listed above in the ADDRESSES Section.

The NRC staff will make the scoping summary and project-related materials available for public review through our electronic reading room: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. The scoping meeting summaries and project-related materials will also be available on the NRC’s SMC Web page: http://www.nrc.gov/materials/fuel-cycle-fac/smcfacility.html (case sensitive).

7.0 The NEPA Process

The EIS for the SMC facility will be prepared according to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the NRC’s NEPA Regulations at 10 CFR Part 51.

After the scoping process is complete, the NRC and its contractor will prepare a draft EIS. A 45-day comment period on the draft EIS is planned, and public meetings to receive comments will be held approximately three weeks after distribution of the draft EIS. Availability of the draft EIS, the dates of the public comment period, and information about the public meetings will be announced in the Federal Register, on NRC’s SMC Web page, and in the local news media when the draft EIS is distributed. The final EIS will incorporate public comments received on the draft EIS.

Signed in Rockville, MD. this 20th day of December 2006.

For The Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee On Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee Meeting On Power Uprates; Revised

A portion of the ACRS Subcommittee meeting on Power Uprates (Brown-Forry Unit 1) scheduled to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 16–17, 2007 at 11545 Rockville Pike, Room T–2B3, Rockville, Maryland will be closed to discuss information that is proprietary to General Electric, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and their contractors pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(c)(4). All other items pertaining to the meeting remain the same as published previously in the Federal Register on Thursday, December 21, 2006, 71 FR 76707.

Further information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Official, Mr. Ralph Caruso (Telephone: 301–415–8065) between 7:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. (ET).


Michael R. Snodderly,

Branch Chief, ACRS/ACNW.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the availability of two volumes of NUREG–1757, “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance.” The first volume is “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Decommissioning Process for Materials Licensees” (NUREG–1757, Vol. 1, Rev. 2), which provides guidance for planning and implementing the termination of materials licenses. The second volume, “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Characterization, Survey, and Determination of Radiological Criteria” (NUREG–1757, Vol. 2, Rev. 1), provides guidance for compliance with the radiological criteria for termination of licenses. The guidance is intended for use by NRC staff and licensees. It is also available to Agreement States and the public.

ADDRESSES: NUREG–1757 is available for inspection and copying for a fee at the Commission’s Public Document Room, NRC’s Headquarters Building, 11555 Rockville Pike (First Floor), Rockville, Maryland. The Public Document Room is open from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays. NUREG–1757 is also available electronically on the NRC Web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1757/; and from the ADAMS Electronic Reading Room on the NRC Web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In September 2003, NRC staff consolidated and updated the policies and guidance of its decommissioning program in a three-volume NUREG series, NUREG–1757, “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance.” This NUREG series provides guidance on: planning and implementing license termination under NRC’s License Termination Rule (LTR), in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 10, Part 20, Subpart E; complying with the radiological criteria of the LTR for license termination; and complying with the requirements for financial assurance and recordkeeping for decommissioning and timeliness in decommissioning of materials facilities. The staff periodically updates NUREG–1757, so that it reflects current NRC decommissioning policy.

In September 2005, the staff issued, for public comment, Draft Supplement 1 to NUREG–1757, which contained proposed updates to the three volumes of NUREG–1757 (70 FR 59490; September 29, 2005). Draft Supplement 1 included new and revised decommissioning guidance that addresses some issues with implementation of the LTR. These issues include restricted use and institutional controls, onsite disposal of radioactive materials, selection and justification of exposure scenarios based on reasonably foreseeable future land use, intentional mixing of contaminated soil, and removal of material after license termination. The staff also developed new and revised guidance on other issues, including engineered barriers.

The staff received stakeholder comments on Draft Supplement 1 and prepared responses to these comments. The stakeholder comments and the NRC staff responses are located on NRC’s decommissioning Web site, at http://
www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/regulatory/decommissioning/reg-guides-comm.html. Supplement 1 has not been finalized as a separate document; instead, updated sections from Supplement 1 have been placed into the appropriate locations in revisions of Volumes 1 and 2 of NUREG–1757.

Volume 1 of NUREG–1757, entitled “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Decommissioning Process for Materials Licensees,” takes a risk-informed, performance-based approach to the information needed and the process to be followed to support an application for license termination for a materials licensee. Volume 1 is intended to be applicable only to the decommissioning of materials facilities licensed under 10 CFR Parts 30, 40, 70, and 72 and to the ancillary surface facilities that support radioactive waste disposal activities licensed under 10 CFR Parts 60, 61, and 63. However, parts of Volume 1 are applicable to reactor licensees, as described in the Foreword to the volume.

Volume 2 of the NUREG series, entitled, “Consolidated Decommissioning Guidance: Characterization, Survey, and Determination of Radiological Criteria,” provides technical guidance on compliance with the radiological criteria for license termination of the LTR. Volume 2 is applicable to all licensees subject to the LTR.

The staff plans to revise Volume 3 of this NUREG series at a later date, and that revision will incorporate the Supplement 1 guidance that is related to Volume 3.

NUREG–1757 is intended for use by NRC staff and licensees. It is also available to Agreement States and the public. This NUREG is not a substitute for NRC regulations, and compliance with it is not required. The NUREG describes approaches that are acceptable to NRC staff. However, methods and solutions different than those in this NUREG will be acceptable, if they provide a basis for concluding that the decommissioning actions are in compliance with NRC regulations.

Congressional Review Act (CRA)

In accordance with the Congressional Review Act (CRA) of 1996, the NRC has determined that this action is not a major rule and has verified this determination with the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget.

Dated at Rockville, MD, this 19th day of December, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Keith I. McConnell,
Deputy Director, Decommissioning & Uranium Recovery Licensing Directorate, Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Proposed Collection: Comment Request for Collection: Scholarship for Service Program Internet Webpage

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) submitted a request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). OPM requested OMB to approve a collection associated with the Scholarship For Service (SFS) Program Internet webpage. Approval of the webpage is necessary to facilitate the timely registration, selection, and placement of program-enrolled students in Federal agencies.

The SFS Program was established by the National Science Foundation in accordance with the Federal Cyber Service Training and Education Initiative as described in the President’s National Plan for Information Systems Protection. This program seeks to increase the number of qualified students entering the fields of information assurance and computer security in an effort to respond to the threat to the Federal Government’s information technology infrastructure. The program provides capacity building grants to selected 4-year colleges and universities to develop or improve their capacity to train information assurance professionals. It also provides selected 4-year colleges and universities scholarship grants to attract students to the information assurance field. Participating students who receive scholarships from this program are required to serve a 10-week internship during their studies and complete a post-graduation employment commitment equivalent to the length of the scholarship or one year, whichever is longer.

OPM projects that 450 students will graduate from participating institutions over the next three years. These students will need placement in addition to the 180 students needing placement this year. We estimate the collection of information for registering and creating an online resume to be 45 minutes to 1 hour. We estimate the total number of hours to be 630.

Comments: We received no comments in response to our 60-day notice.


Tricia Hollis,
Chief of Staff/ Director of Internal Affairs.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Barclays Global Fund Advisors, et al.; Notice of Application

December 21, 2006.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (’’Commission’’).

ACTION: Notice of application to amend certain prior orders under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (’’Act’’) for an exemption from sections 2(a)(32), 5(a)(1) and 22(d) of the Act and rule 22c–1 under the Act, and under sections 6(c) and 17(b) of the Act for an exemption from sections 17(a)(1) and (a)(2) of the Act.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order to amend a prior order that permits: (a) An open-end management investment company, whose series are based on certain fixed income securities indices, to issue shares of limited redeemability; (b) secondary market transactions in the shares of the series to occur at negotiated prices; and (c) affiliated persons of the series to deposit securities into, and receive securities from, the series in connection with the purchase and redemption of aggregations of the series’ shares (the “Prior Fixed Income Order”). Applicants seek to amend the Prior Fixed Income Order in order to offer an additional series based on a specified high-yield bond index (the “New Fund”). In addition, the order would delete a condition related to future relief