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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 03-005980]

### Consideration of Amendment Request for Sorting, Characterizing, and Repackaging Waste at the Safety Light Corporation Facility, Bloomsburg, PA, and Opportunity for a Hearing

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of consideration of  
amendment request for sorting,  
characterizing, and repackaging waste at  
the Safety Light Corporation facility,  
Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, and  
opportunity for a hearing.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission is considering issuance of  
a license amendment to By-Product  
Materials License No. 37-00030-02  
(License No. 37-00030-02), issued to  
Safety Light Corporation (SLC), to  
authorize the sorting, characterizing,  
and repackaging of containerized waste  
located at the SLC facility in South  
Central Township, about five miles from  
Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

During 1999 and 2000, the licensee  
removed waste from two underground  
silos, as part of site remediation of the  
radiological contamination at the SLC  
facility, in accordance with the  
conditions described in License No. 37-  
00030-02. The waste is stored in two  
temporary waste storage areas, because  
additional sorting and characterization  
of the waste is required. The SLC  
facility is located adjacent to the  
Susquehanna River, so these storage  
areas potentially could flood during  
severe hurricane-type conditions. On  
February 6, 2002, the licensee submitted  
the "Work Plan for SLC, Bloomsburg,  
PA, Radioactive Waste Repackaging"  
(Work Plan) for NRC review and  
approval. The radioactive  
contamination in this waste, based on  
previous characterization data, consists  
primarily of tritium, Sr-90 and Cs-137  
that is regulated by NRC, and Ra-226  
that is regulated by the Commonwealth  
of Pennsylvania Department of  
Environmental (PADEP). There may also  
be some mixed waste (radioactive and  
hazardous waste) that is dually  
regulated by NRC and PADEP. The

waste material had been placed within  
two underground silos during previous  
operations at the facility, which began  
during the late 1940s. These operations  
by United States Radium Corporation  
and later the SLC, involved the  
manufacturing and distributing of self-  
illuminating watch and instrument  
dials, and other uses of a variety of  
radioactive material until about 1968,  
when tritium was the only radionuclide  
used.

During all waste processing activities,  
the NRC will require the licensee to  
maintain effluents and doses within  
NRC requirements, and as low as  
reasonably achievable. Prior to  
approving the Work Plan and  
supporting information, the NRC will  
have made findings required by the  
Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended,  
and NRC's regulations. Approval of the  
Work Plan at the SLC Bloomsburg, PA  
facility will be documented in an  
amendment to License No. 37-00030-  
02. The NRC has coordinated this NRC  
licensing action with PADEP and the  
United States Environmental Protection  
Agency Region III, which have separate  
jurisdictions related to this waste  
material and this facility.

The NRC hereby provides notice that  
this is a proceeding on an application  
for amendment of a license falling  
within the scope of Subpart L "Informal  
Hearing Procedures for Adjudication in  
Materials Licensing Proceedings," of  
NRC's rules and practice for domestic  
licensing proceedings in 10 CFR Part 2.  
Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.1205(a), any  
person whose interest may be affected  
by this proceeding may file a request for  
a hearing in accordance with 10 CFR  
2.1205(c). A request for hearing must be  
filed within thirty (30) days of the date  
of publication of the **Federal Register**  
Notice.

The request for the hearing must be  
filed with the Office of the Secretary  
either:

1. By delivery to the Document  
Control Desk or may be delivered to the  
Commission's Public Document Room,  
11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD  
20852-2738; or
2. By mail or telegram addressed to  
the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission, Washington, DC 20555-  
0001, Attention: Rulemakings &  
Adjudications Staff.

In addition to meeting other  
applicable requirements of 10 CFR Part  
2 of the NRC's regulations, a request for  
a hearing filed by a person other than  
an applicant must describe in detail:

1. The interest of the requester in the  
proceeding;
2. How that interest may be affected  
by the results of the proceeding,

including the reasons why the requester  
should be permitted a hearing, with  
particular reference to the factors set out  
in 10 CFR 2.1205(g);

3. The requesters areas of concern  
about the licensing activity that is the  
subject matter of the proceeding; and

4. The circumstances establishing that  
the request for a hearing is timely in  
accordance with 10 CFR 2.1205(c).

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.1205(e),  
each request for a hearing must also be  
served, by delivering it personally or by  
mail, to:

1. The applicant, Safety Light  
Corporation, 4150-A Old Berwick Road,  
Bloomsburg, PA 17815, Attention: Larry  
Harmon, Plant Manager; and

2. The NRC staff, by delivery to the  
Executive Director for Operations, One  
White Flint North, 11555 Rockville  
Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, or by mail,  
addressed to the Executive Director for  
Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

For further details with respect to this  
action, the Work Plan and supporting  
information dated February 6, April 25  
and May 28, 2002 is available for  
inspection at the NRC's Public  
Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike,  
Rockville, MD, and from [http://  
www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html](http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html).

Dated at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, this  
27th day of June 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Francis M. Costello,**

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Safety, RI.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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

The ACNW will hold a Planning and  
Procedures meeting on July 23, 2002,  
Room T-2B1, 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, 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, July 23, 2002—8:30 a.m.–  
10:30 a.m.*

The Committee will discuss proposed ACNW 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.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Designated Federal Official named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, the scheduling of sessions open to the public, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Official, Howard J. Larson (telephone: 301/415-6805) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EDT). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any changes in schedule that may have occurred.

Dated: June 27, 2002.

**Sher Bahadur,**

*Associate Director for Technical Support,  
ACRS/ACNW.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IC-25643]

### Notice of Applications for Deregistration Under Section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

June 28, 2002.

The following is a notice of applications for deregistration under section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 for the month of June, 2002. A copy of each application may be obtained for a fee at the SEC's Public Reference Branch, 450 Fifth St. NW., Washington, DC 20549-0102 (tel. 202-942-8090). An order granting each application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons

may request a hearing on any application by writing to the SEC's Secretary at the address below and serving the relevant applicant with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on July 23, 2002, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicant, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diane L. Titus at (202) 942-0564, SEC, Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0506.

#### Brazos Insurance Funds [File No. 811-9811]

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On February 28, 2002, applicant's shareholders voluntarily redeemed their shares, based on net asset value. No expenses were incurred in connection with the liquidation.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on April 5, 2002, and amended on June 26, 2002.

*Applicant's Address:* 5949 Sherry Lane, Suite 1600, Dallas, TX 75225.

#### Dreyfus Institutional Short Term Treasury Fund [File No. 811-7097]

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On May 10, 2002, applicant made a liquidating distribution to its shareholders, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$5,000 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by The Dreyfus Corporation, applicant's investment adviser.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on June 17, 2002.

*Applicant's Address:* c/o The Dreyfus Corporation, 200 Park Ave., New York, NY 10166.

#### The Mallard Fund, Inc. [File No. 811-7861]

*Summary:* Applicant, a closed-end investment company, seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On March 27, 2002, applicant made a final liquidating distribution to its shareholders, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$5,509

incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by applicant.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on June 17, 2002.

*Applicant's Address:* 500 Grant St., Suite 2226, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

#### Merrill Lynch Intermediate Government Bond Fund [File No. 811-4839]

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On December 15, 2000, applicant transferred its assets to Merrill Lynch Short Term U.S. Government Fund, Inc., based on net asset value. Expenses of \$104,087 incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by the surviving fund.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on May 7, 2002, and amended on June 18, 2002.

*Applicant's Address:* 800 Scudders Mill Rd., Plainsboro, NJ 08536.

#### AmeriSen Funds [File No. 811-10285]

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On March 27, 2002, applicant made a liquidating distribution to its shareholders based on net asset value. Applicant incurred no expenses in connection with the liquidation.

*Filing Dates:* The application was filed on May 30, 2002, and amended on June 18, 2002.

*Applicant's Address:* 14340 Torrey Chase Blvd., Suite 170, Houston, TX 77014.

#### Merrill Lynch Multi-State Limited Maturity Municipal Series Trust [File No. 811-4264]

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On April 8, 2002, applicant transferred its assets to The Limited Maturity Portfolio of Merrill Lynch Municipal Bond Fund, Inc., based on net asset value. Expenses of approximately \$166,531 incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by the surviving fund.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on June 4, 2002.

*Applicant's Address:* 800 Scudders Mill Rd., Plainsboro, NJ 08536.

#### SIFE Trust Fund [File No. 811-987]

*Summary:* Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On February 25, 2002, applicant transferred its assets to Wells Fargo SIFE Financial Services Fund, based on net asset value. Applicant incurred no expenses in connection with the reorganization.