

determination on the issue of no significant hazards consideration. The final determination will serve to decide when the hearing is held.

If the final determination is that the amendments request involves no significant hazards consideration, the Commission may issue the amendments and make them immediately effective, notwithstanding the request for a hearing. Any hearing held would take place after issuance of the amendments.

If the final determination is that the amendments request involves a significant hazards consideration, any hearing held would take place before the issuance of any amendments.

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, by the above date. Because of the continuing disruptions in delivery of mail to United States Government offices, it is requested that petitions for leave to intervene and requests for hearing be transmitted to the Secretary of the Commission either by means of facsimile transmission to 301-415-1101 or by e-mail to hearingdocket@nrc.gov. A copy of the petition for leave to intervene and request for hearing should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and because of continuing disruptions in delivery of mail to United States Government offices, it is requested that copies be transmitted either by means of facsimile transmission to 301-415-3725 or by e-mail to OGCMailCenter@nrc.gov. A copy of the request for hearing and petition for leave to intervene should also be sent to Ms. Lillian M. Cuoco, Esq., Senior Nuclear Counsel, Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., Millstone Power Station, Building 475, 5th Floor, Rope Ferry Road, Rt. 156, Waterford, Connecticut 06385, attorney for the licensee.

Nontimely filings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions and/or requests for hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer or the presiding Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that the petition and/or request should be granted based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and 2.714(d).

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated July 18, 2002, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's PDR, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System's (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, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of July 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-309]

Maine Yankee Atomic Power Co., Maine Yankee Atomic Power Station; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-36, issued to Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company (MYAPC or the licensee), for the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Station (Maine Yankee or the plant), located in Lincoln County, Maine. Therefore, as required by 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

The proposed action would revise the license to incorporate a new License Condition 2.B.(9). The license condition would terminate license jurisdiction for a portion of the Maine Yankee site (referred to as the Non-Impacted Backlands (West of Bailey Cove and West of Young's Brook and North of Old Ferry Road)), thereby releasing these lands from Facility Operating License No. DPR-36. The land in question is not used for any licensed activities. No

radiological materials have historically been used on this land and the land will not be used to support ongoing decommissioning operations and activities.

The Backlands, approximately 260 hectares (640 acres), are located beyond the 610-meter (2,000-foot) exclusion area established under the requirements of 10 CFR part 100, except for a specific portion. As such, the area has been open and accessible to the general public and is bounded by residential land owners. The Backlands consists of open fields, woodland, and some shoreline property. The Backlands have been designated as a non-impacted area, which means the area was not impacted due to site operation.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application dated August 16, 2001, as supplemented by letter dated November 19, 2001.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The revision to the license is needed to release the Backlands from the jurisdiction of Facility Operating License No. DPR-36. Portions of this land, approximately 80 hectares (200 acres), will be donated to a tax exempt environmental organization to create a nature preserve and an environmental education center and to provide public access to coastal lands in the mid-coast region of Maine. This donation is part of a rate case settlement that MYAPC made with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The release of the rest of the Backlands will facilitate potential redevelopment and reuse of property that has been part of the Maine Yankee site.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that the issuance of the amendment will not have any significant effect on accident risk or the possibility of environmental impact. The Commission has previously issued a No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination for the proposed action (67 FR 12604) dated March 19, 2002. The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of any accidents, no changes are being made in the types of effluents that may be released offsite, and there is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential non-radiological impacts, the proposed action does not have the potential to

affect historic or cultural resources, nor will the proposed action affect endangered and threatened species. It does not affect non-radiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, there are no significant non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC 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 staff considered denial of the proposed action and retention of the Backlands under Facility Operating License No. DPR-36 (i.e., the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are identical.

Alternative Use of Resources

The action does not involve the use of any different resource than those previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Station, dated July 1972.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

On June 11, 2002, the staff consulted with the Maine State official, Mr. Patrick Dostie of the State of Maine, Department of Human Services, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had a question related to the type of effluents (e.g. contaminated dust) that demolition of the slightly contaminated structures could generate. The NRC staff responded to Mr. Dostie's question and provided information that clarified this issue with respect to this licensing action.

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 August 16, 2001, as supplemented by letter dated November 19, 2001. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike

(first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (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 by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of July 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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COMMISSION ON OCEAN POLICY

Public Meeting

AGENCY: Commission on Ocean Policy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy will hold its eighth regional meeting, the Commission's tenth public meeting, to hear and discuss coastal and ocean issues of concern of the State of Alaska.

DATES: Public meetings will be held Wednesday, August 21, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Thursday, August 22, 2002 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is the Hotel Captain Cook, Discovery Ballroom, 4th & K Street, Anchorage, AK 99501.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Terry Schaff, U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy, 1120 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036, 202-418-3442, schaff@oceancommission.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held pursuant to requirements under the Oceans Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-256, section 3(e)(1)(E)). The agenda will include presentations by invited speakers representing local and regional government agencies and non-governmental organizations, comments from the public and any required administrative discussions and executive sessions. Invited speakers and members of the public are requested to submit their statements for the record electronically by Monday, August 12,

2002 to the meeting Point of Contact. A public comment period is scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2002. The meeting agenda, including the specific time for the public comment period, and guidelines for making public comments will be posted on the Commission's Website at <http://www.oceancommission.gov> prior to the meeting.

Dated: July 19, 2002.

Thomas R. Kitsos,

Executive Director, U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension

[Rule 17f-2(c), SEC File No. 270-35, OMB Control No. 3235-0029]

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 17f-2(c) allows persons required to be fingerprinted pursuant to section 17(f)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to submit their fingerprints through a national securities exchange or a national securities association in accordance with a plan submitted to and approved by the Commission. Plans have been approved for the American, Boston, Chicago, New York, Pacific, and Philadelphia stock exchanges and for the National Association of Securities Dealers and the Chicago Board Options Exchange.

It is estimated that 85,000 registered broker-dealers submit approximately 275,000 fingerprint cards to exchanges or a registered security association on an annual basis. It is approximated that it should take 15 minutes to comply with Rule 17f-2(c). The total reporting burden is estimated to be 68,750 hours.

Because the Federal Bureau of Investigation will not accept fingerprint