

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

TO: NRC Licensees

PURPOSE: Change to Size Standards on NRC Form 526 (Certification of Small Entity Size Status

for the Purposes of Annual Fees Imposed Under 10 CFR Part 171)

SUBJECT: Small Entity Size Standard Amendment

Effective October 24, 2007, The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission amended its size standards for qualifying as a small entity under the Regulatory Flexibility Act for receipts-based small business size standards from \$5 million to \$6.5 million to conform to standard set by the Small Business Administration (SBA).

NRC Form 526 has also been revised to include specific information needed for licensees applying under the Manufacturing Industry size standard.

If you deem it appropriate to file under small entity status, complete and return NRC Form 526, "Certification Of Small Entity Status For The Purposes of Annual Fees Imposed Under 10 CFR Part 171", return the payment copy of the invoice and remit payment for the appropriate amount. Please be advised that you must complete this process each annual fee year.

Mail the package to:

U.S. Bank Accounts Receivable Team U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission P. O. Box 979051 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you have any questions concerning small entity, please contact the license fee staff at 301-415-7554, e-mail the fee staff at fees@nrc.gov, or write to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: License Fees Team.

NRC FORM 526

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CERTIFICATION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS FOR THE PURPOSES OF ANNUAL FEES IMPOSED UNDER 10 CFR PART 171 FY 2008

FY 2008 If you have QUESTIONS, e-mail them to: fees@nrc.gov							
SEE IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR NRC FORM 526 ON PAGE 2 PLEASE READ CAREFULLY DO NOT COMPLETE OR RETURN THIS FORM IF YOU DO NOT QUALIFY AS A SMALL ENTITY							
NAME AND ADDRESS OF LICENSEE (as it appears on the invoice): INVOICE NUMBER BUSINESS TELEF						HONE NUMBER	
			LICENSE NUMBER		CONTACT NAME	CONTACT NAME	
EMAIL ADDRESS COMPANY WEBSITE ADD WWW.			DDRESS		CONTACT TELEPI	HONE NUMBER	
SIZE STANDARDS (Check one box only) DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM IF YOU DO NOT QUALIFY UNDER ONE OF THESE SIZE STANDARDS 1. SMALL BUSINESS						MAXIMUM ANNUAL FEE PER LICENSED CATEGORY (See Items 2 and 3 on back)	
	A for-profit concern that provides a service or a concern not engaged in manufacturing with average gross receipts of \$6.5 million or less over its last 3 completed fiscal years.			A. \$350,000 TO \$6,500,000 B. LESS THAN \$350,000		\$ 2,300 \$ 500	
2.	MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY A manufacturing concern with an average number of 500 or fewer employees based upon employment during each pay period for the preceding 12 calendar months.						
	In accordance with the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), each business is assigned a NAICS business code. If you do not kno your NAICS business code refer to						

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR NRC FORM 526 -- PLEASE READ CAREFULLY DO NOT COMPLETE OR RETURN THIS FORM IF YOU DO NOT QUALIFY AS A SMALL ENTITY

CERTIFICATION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS FOR THE PURPOSES OF ANNUAL FEES IMPOSED UNDER 10 CFR PART 171 FY 2008

A licensee who qualifies as a small entity under a specific size standard established by the NRC may pay a reduced annual fee by filing the required certification on NRC Form 526, which is on the reverse side of this page. A separate NRC Form 526 is required for each invoice. Licensees who do not qualify under one of the size standards shown on NRC Form 526 should disregard this form.

- 1. Complete all items on NRC Form 526 as follows: (NOTE: Incomplete or improperly completed forms will be returned as unacceptable.)
 - Enter the licensee's name and address exactly as they appear on the invoice. Annotate name and/or
 address changes for billing purposes on the payment copy of the invoice -- Correcting the name and/or
 address on NRC Form 526 or on the invoice does not constitute a request to amend the license.
 - Enter the invoice number exactly as it appears on the invoice.
 - Enter the company's business telephone number. Enter the license number exactly as it appears of the invoice.
 - Enter the contact person's name and email address. Enter the company's website address (if applicable), and the contact persons telephone number.
 - Check the appropriate size standard under which the licensee qualifies as a small entity. Check one box only. Note the following:
 - a. A licensee who is a subsidiary of a large entity, including foreign entities, does not qualify as a small entity. The calculation of a firm's size includes the employees or receipts of all affiliates. Affiliation with another concern is based on the power to control whether exercised or not. Such factors as common ownership, common management and identity of interest (often found in members of the same family, among others, are indications of affiliation). The affiliated business concerns need not be in the same line of business (67 CFR 59).
 - b. Gross annual receipts, as used in the size standards, include all revenue received or accrued by your company from all sources, regardless of the form of the revenue and <u>not solely receipts from licensed activities</u>.
 - c. NRC's size standards on small entity are based on the Small Business Administration's regulations (13 CFR 121).
 - d. The size standards apply to the licensee, not to the individual authorized users who may be listed in the license.
 - e. If you are a manufacturer please include your North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) business code in the correct box on the form. If you do not know your NAICS business code refer to www.census.gov.
- 2. If the invoice states the "Amount Billed Represents 50% Proration," the amount due is not the prorated amount shown on the invoice but rather one-half of the maximum small entity annual fee shown on NRC Form 526 for the size standard under which the licensee qualifies (either \$1,150 or \$250) for each category billed.
- 3. If the invoice amount is less than the reduced small entity annual fee shown on this form, pay the amount on the invoice; there is no further reduction. In this case, do not file NRC Form 526. However, if the invoice amount is greater than the reduced small entity annual fee, file NRC Form 526 and pay the amount applicable to the size standard you checked on the form.
- 4. The completed NRC Form 526 must be submitted with the required annual fee payment and the "Payment Copy" of the invoice to the address shown on the invoice.
- 5. 10 CFR 171.16(c)(3) states licensees shall submit a new certification with its annual fee payment each year. Failure to submit NRC Form 526 at the time the annual fee is paid will require the licensee to pay the full amount of the invoice.