

37-02401-01, to authorize release of its facility in Warrington, Pennsylvania for unrestricted use. NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this action in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR part 51. Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate. The amendment will be issued following the publication of this Notice.

II. EA Summary

The purpose of the proposed action is to allow for the release of the licensee's Warrington, Pennsylvania facility for unrestricted use. Canberra Industries, Inc. was authorized by NRC from February 9, 1981 to use radioactive materials for research and development and distribution purposes at the Warrington, Pennsylvania site. On September 12, 2003, Canberra Industries, Inc. requested that NRC release the facility for unrestricted use. Canberra Industries, Inc. has conducted surveys of the facility and determined that the facility meets the license termination criteria in Subpart E of 10 CFR part 20. The NRC staff has prepared an EA in support of the proposed license amendment.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The staff has prepared the EA (summarized above) in support of the proposed license amendment to terminate the license and release the facility for unrestricted use. The NRC staff has evaluated Canberra Industries, Inc.'s request and the results of the surveys and has concluded that the completed action complies with the criteria in Subpart E of 10 CFR Part 20. The staff has found that the environmental impacts from the proposed action are bounded by the impacts evaluated by the "Generic Environmental Impact Statement in Support of Rulemaking on Radiological Criteria for License Termination of NRC-Licensed Facilities" (NUREG-1496). On the basis of the EA, the NRC has concluded that the environmental impacts from the proposed action are expected to be insignificant and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

IV. Further Information

The EA and the documents related to this proposed action, including the application for the license amendment and supporting documentation, are available for inspection at NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>

(ADAMS Accession Nos. ML032590641, ML032830096, ML040370670). These documents are also available for inspection and copying for a fee at the Region I Office, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, 19406. Persons who do not have access to 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 King of Prussia, Pennsylvania this 11th day of February, 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

National Materials Program; Announcement of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Announcement of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is conducting a meeting to inform stakeholders of the status and progress of the National Materials Program (NMP) pilot projects and receive feedback on a range of issues involving the NMP. Areas of discussion will include each pilot project as well as focus on the future structure and framework of the NMP. The discussion and feedback will be used by the staff in the overall assessment report on the pilot projects.

DATES: A 1-day public meeting will be held Wednesday, March 31, 2004, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at NRC Headquarters, in room T2-B3, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. To facilitate maximum information sharing, additional information on the NMP, including pilot projects, can be found at: <http://www.hsr.d.ornl.gov/nrc/materials.htm>.

Travel Information: It is recommended that participants commute to the meeting via the Metrorail system (Metro). The White Flint Metro stop, along the red line, is adjacent to the White Flint Complex. There are limited parking spaces available in the area.

Notification of Attendance: It is strongly encouraged that prospective participants contact NRC prior to the meeting to expedite the required security processing for NRC visitors and

to ensure that adequate copies of handouts are available. Contact Shawn Rochelle Smith, telephone: (301) 415-2620; e-mail: srs3@nrc.gov, and submit participant name, affiliated organization, telephone number, address, and citizenship status by March 29, 2004. Also, it is suggested that invited speakers as well as attendees, limit the amount of personal items and electronic devices brought into the building. Those needing accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or having special concerns should contact Gwendolyn Davis in advance at (301) 415-2325; from outside the Washington, DC metropolitan area, call (800) 368-5642, extension 2325 or e-mail: gxd@nrc.gov. Persons needing accommodations that are planning to attend the meeting should contact Mrs. Davis and provide information that will facilitate entrance into the building the day of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shawn Rochelle Smith, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of State and Tribal Programs, Mail Stop: O3-C10, Washington, DC 20555; telephone: 301-415-2620; e-mail: srs3@nrc.gov. Questions about the public meeting process should be directed to Lance J. Rakovan, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of State and Tribal Programs, Mail Stop: O3-C10, Washington, DC 20555; telephone: 301-415-2589; e-mail: ljr2@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be conducted in two segments. The first segment will consist of presentations on the structure and framework of the NMP and the status of the NMP pilot projects. The second segment will be conducted in a "roundtable format" among invited participants representing the broad spectrum of interests that may be affected by the current or any changes to the structure and framework of the NMP. To help facilitate discussions, participants at the table will include representatives of radioactive material licensees, public interest groups, and Federal and State governments. Although the focus of the discussion will be among the invited participants, the meeting is open to the public and there will be opportunities to comment on each agenda item to be discussed by roundtable participants.

Dated in Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of February, 2004.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Paul H. Lohaus,

Director, Office of State and Tribal Programs.

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