least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing.

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

Nontimely requests and/or petitions and contentions will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission or the presiding officer of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that the petition, request and/or the contentions should be granted based on a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.309(c)(1)(i)—(viii).

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed by: (1) First class mail addressed to the Office of the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff; (2) courier, express mail, and expedited delivery services: Office of the Secretary, Sixteenth Floor, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff; (3) E-mail addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, hearingdocket@nrc.gov; or (4) facsimile transmission addressed to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff at (301) 415-1101, verification number is (301) 415-1966. A copy of the request for hearing and petition for leave to intervene should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and it is requested that copies be transmitted either by means of facsimile transmission to 301-415-3725 or by email to ogcmailcenter@nrc.gov. A copy of the request for hearing and petition

for leave to intervene should also be sent to Jeffrie J. Keenan, Esquire, Nuclear Business Unit—N21, P.O. Box 236, Hancocks Bridge, NJ 08038, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated December 7, 2005, and the supplement dated July 20, 2006, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's PDR, located at One White Flint North, File Public Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly-available records will be accessible from the 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 26th day of July 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

### Stewart N. Bailey,

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# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-2]

#### Notice of Issuance of Decommissioning Amendment for University of Michigan Ford Nuclear Reactor

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is noticing the approval of the University of Michigan decommissioning plan (DP) by amendment to the Facility Operating License for the Ford Nuclear Reactor (FNR).

The FNR is located in the Phoenix Memorial Laboratory on the North Campus of the University in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The reactor was licensed to operate at 2 Megawatt thermal power. After the initial startup of the FNR in 1957, the reactor ceased operations on July 3, 2003.

The licensee submitted the FNR DP to the NRC for review and approval in a letter dated June 8, 2004, as supplemented on June 23, 2004, January 5, 2006 and January 10, 2006. The NRC approved the DP by Amendment No. 50 to the FNR Operating License No. R–28 on June 22, 2006.

A "Notice and Solicitation of Comments Pursuant to 10 CFR 20.1405 and 10 CFR 50.82(b)(5) Concerning Proposed Action to Decommission the University of Michigan Ford Nuclear Reactor" was published in the **Federal Register** on September 8, 2004 (69 FR 54326–54327) and in The Ann Arbor News on September 9, 2004. On June 7, 2006, the NRC staff consulted with the Environmental Coordinator for the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan. No comments were received.

A copy of the license amendment approving the University of Michigan's proposed decommissioning plan is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, 20855-2738. The NRC maintains an Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The amendment may be accessed electronically from the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/ adams.html under ADAMS accession number ML061220260. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or have problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, may contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by phone at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by email to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this June 30, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Brian E. Thomas**,

Branch Chief, Research and Test Reactors Branch, Division of Policy and Rulemaking, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. [FR Doc. E6–12441 Filed 8–1–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7590–01–P

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-157 and 50-97]

Notice of Issuance of Decommissioning Amendments for Cornell University Triga Research Reactor (TRIGA) and Cornell University Zero Power Reactor (ZPR)

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has approved the Cornell University Ward Center for Nuclear Studies (WCNS) decommissioning plan (DP) by amendments to the Facility Operating Licenses for the TRIGA

Research Reactor and the Zero Power Reactor (ZPR).

The WCNS is located on the Cornell University campus in Ithaca, New York. The WCNS was constructed between 1959 and 1962 to house the TRIGA, the ZPR, and supporting systems. The TRIGA Reactor ceased operations on April 21, 2003. The ZPR ceased operations in 1996.

The licensee submitted the WCNS DP to the NRC for review and approval in a letter dated August 22, 2003, as supplemented on May 13, September 27, October 26 and December 13, 2005, and February 13, 2006. The NRC approved the DP by Amendment No. 14 to the TRIGA Facility Operating License No. R–80 on June 15, 2006 and Amendment No. 8 to the ZPR Facility Operating License No. R–89 on June 6, 2006.

A "Notice and Solicitation of Comments Pursuant to 10 CFR 20.1405 and 10 CFR 50.82(b)(5) Concerning Proposed Action To Decommission WCNS at Cornell University Reactor Facility" was published in the **Federal Register** on August 10, 2005 (70 FR 46549). No comments were received.

Copies of the license amendments approving Cornell University's proposed decommissioning plan are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, 20855-2738. The NRC maintains an Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The amendments may be accessed electronically from the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/ adams.html under ADAMS accession number ML061030501 and ML061030405. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or have problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, may contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by phone at 1-800-397-4209, 301–415–4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 15 day of June, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Brian E. Thomas**,

Branch Chief, Research and Test Reactors Branch, Division of Policy and Rulemaking, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. [FR Doc. E6–12462 Filed 8–1–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7590–01–P

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-8907]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment for United Nuclear Corporation, Church Rock, NM

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Michalak, Project Manager, Fuel Cycle Facilities Branch, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555. Telephone: (301) 415–7612; fax number: (301) 415–5955; e-mail: pxm2@nrc.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) proposes to issue a license amendment for License Condition 35 (ground water protection standards), to Materials License SUA-1475, for the United Nuclear Corporation (UNC), Church Rock, New Mexico uranium mill site (the Site). The purpose of this amendment is to revise the current chloroform ground water protection standard of 0.001 milligrams per liter (mg/L) to 0.08 mg/L for total trihalomethanes (THMs), and revise the current combined radium-226 and -228 GWPS from 5 pCi/L to 5.2 pCi/L in the Southwest Alluvium and from 5 pci/L to 9.4 pCi/L in Zone 1.

#### **II. EA Summary**

The staff has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) in support of the proposed license amendment. Since this action relates to ground water, the primary focus of the

evaluation of potential environmental impacts relates to ground water. Ground water is not used as a potable source at, or in, the immediate vicinity of the Site. The closest down-gradient public-use well is about 2,700 meters (8,860 feet) to the northeast. With the exception of the historical mill and mine activity, land use is primarily grazing for sheep, cattle and horses. The area around the Site is sparsely populated and includes Indian Tribal Land as well as UNCowned property. The primary use of the Indian Tribal Land is grazing. The proposed total THMs ground water protection standard of 0.08 mg/L is one established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Safe Drinking Water Act, and it represents a thoroughly examined and evaluated maximum allowable drinking water concentration that is considered to be safe by the EPA. With respect to the proposed combined radium-226 and 228 standards, both the proposed standard of 5.2 pCi/L in the Southwest Alluvium and 9.4 pCi/L in Zone 1 represent the 95th percentile background concentrations in their respective saturated units. They were both derived from a large data set collected over a 16 year period and are both below the New Mexico Ground Water Protection Standard of 30 pCi/L.

#### III. Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the EA, NRC has concluded that there are no significant environmental impacts from the proposed amendment and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement.

### **IV. Further Information**

Documents related to this action, including the application for amendment and supporting documentation, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html">http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html</a>. From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession numbers for the documents related to this notice are as follows:

Document	ADAMS accession No.	Date
License Amendment Request for Changing the Chloroform Ground Water Protection Standard in Source Materials License SUA-1475.	ML052310151	May 26, 2005.
Revised License Amendment Request for Changing the Chloroform Ground Water Protection Standard in Source Materials License SUA–1475.	ML052100367	July 14, 2005.
License Amendment Request for Changing the Method of Determining Exceedances of the Combined Radium Groundwater Protection Standard in Source Materials License No. SUA–1475.	ML053010019	September 30, 2005.
Summary of January 18, 2006 public meeting between NRC and UNC	ML060200298	January 23, 2006.