

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-368]

Entergy Operations, Inc.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Operations, Inc., to withdraw its January 29, 2003, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-6 for Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit No. 2, located in Pope County, Arkansas.

The proposed amendment would have revised the Technical Specifications pertaining to the spent fuel pool loading restrictions by redefining the regions, inserting Metamic poison panels in a portion of the spent fuel pool, and increasing the minimum boron concentration.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on March 18, 2003 (68 FR 12950). However, by letter dated August 26, 2003, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated January 29, 2003, and the licensee's letter dated August 26, 2003, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (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 15th day of October, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Thomas W. Alexion,

Project Manager, Section 1, Project Directorate IV, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Sunshine Act; Notice of Meeting**

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATES: Weeks of October 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, 2003.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of October 20, 2003

Thursday, October 23, 2003

10 a.m. Meeting with Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) (Public Meeting) (Contact: John Larkins, 301-415-7360)

This meeting will be Webcast live at the Web address: <http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of October 27, 2003—Tentative

Wednesday, October 29, 2003

9:30 a.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1).

Week of November 3, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 3, 2003.

Week of November 10, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 10, 2003.

Week of November 17, 2003—Tentative

Thursday, November 20, 2003

12:45 p.m. Briefing on Threat Environment Assessment (Closed—Ex. 1).

Week of November 24, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of November 24, 2003.

* The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: David Louis Bamberoni (301) 415-1651.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: By a vote of 3-0 on October 14, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552b(e) and § 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that "Affirmation of Pacific Gas & Electric Co. (Diablo Canyon Power Plant Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation); petitions for review of LBP-02-23 and LBP-03-11" be held on October 15, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet

at: <http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html>

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This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20555 (301-415-1969). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to dkw@nrc.gov.

Dated: October 16, 2003.

D.L. Gamberoni,

Technical Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Regulatory Guide; Issuance, Availability**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued a revision of a guide in its Regulatory Guide Series. This series has been developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the NRC's regulations, techniques used by the staff in its review of applications for permits and licenses, and data needed by the NRC staff in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

Revision 2 of Regulatory Guide 1.132, "Site Investigations for Foundations of Nuclear Power Plants," describes field investigations for determining the geological, engineering, and hydrogeological characteristics of a prospective plant site. It also provides guidance to licensees and applicants on developing geologic information on stratigraphy, lithology, and structure of the site.

Comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time. Written comments may be submitted to the Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555. Questions on the content of this guide may be directed to Mr. Y. Li, (301) 415-4141; e-mail yxl1@nrc.gov.

Regulatory guides are available for inspection or downloading at the NRC's

Web site at <<http://www.nrc.gov>> under Regulatory Guides and in NRC's Electronic Reading Room (ADAMS System) at the same site. Single copies of regulatory guides may be obtained free of charge by writing the Reproduction and Distribution Services Section, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by fax to (301) 415-2289, or by e-mail to <distribution@nrc.gov>. Issued guides may also be purchased from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) on a standing order basis. Details on this service may be obtained by writing NTIS at 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161; telephone 1-800-553-6847; <<http://www.ntis.gov/>>. Regulatory guides are not copyrighted, and Commission approval is not required to reproduce them. (5 U.S.C. 552(a))

Dated at Rockville, MD this 2nd day of October 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Ashok C. Thadani,

Director, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

October 30, 2003 Board of Directors Meeting; Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: Thursday, October 30, 2003, 1:30 p.m. (open portion) 1:45 p.m. (closed portion).

PLACE: Offices of the Corporation, Twelfth Floor Board Room, 1100 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Meeting open to the Public from 1:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. Closed portion will commence at 1:45 p.m. (approx.).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. President's report.
2. Approval of July 17, 2003 minutes (open portion).

FURTHER MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: (Closed to the Public 1:45 p.m.)

1. Finance project—Global.
2. Finance project—Global.
3. Finance project in South Africa.
4. Insurance project in Brazil.
5. Insurance project in Azerbaijan, Georgia & Turkey.
6. Approval of July 17, 2003 minutes (closed portion).
7. Approval of October 15, 2003 minutes (closed portion).
8. Pending major projects.
9. Reports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information on the meeting may be

obtained from Connie M. Downs at (202) 336-8438.

Dated: October 17, 2003.

Connie M. Downs,

Corporate Secretary, Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IC-26208; File No. 812-12994]

COUNTRY Mutual Funds Trust, et al.

October 15, 2003.

AGENCY: The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission").

ACTION: Notice of Application for an Order of Exemption under Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended ("1940 Act") from Sections 9(a), 13(a), 15(a), and 15(b) of the 1940 Act and Rules 6e-2(b)(15) and 6e-3(T)(b)(15) thereunder. *Applicants:* COUNTRY Mutual Funds Trust ("Trust") and COUNTRY Trust Bank ("CTB") (collectively, "Applicants").

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants seek an order to permit shares of the Trust and shares of any other existing or future investment company that is designed to fund insurance products and for which CTB, or any of its affiliates, may serve as investment manager, investment adviser, subadviser, administrator, manager, principal underwriter or sponsor (the Trust and such other investment companies being hereinafter referred to, collectively, as "Insurance Trusts"), or permit shares of any current or future series of any Insurance Trust ("Insurance Fund"), to be sold to and held by: (1) Separate accounts funding variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts issued by both affiliated and unaffiliated life insurance companies; (2) qualified pension and retirement plans outside of the separate account context ("Qualified Plans" or "Plans"); and (3) any investment manager to an Insurance Trust ("Manager") and affiliates thereof.

FILING DATE: The application was filed on July 30, 2003, and amended and restated on October 14, 2003.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing on the application by writing to the Secretary of the SEC and serving Applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests

must be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on November 14, 2003 and should be accompanied by proof of service on the Applicants, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons may request notification of the date of the hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0690. Applicants, c/o Paul M. Harmon, General Counsel and Secretary, COUNTRY Trust Bank, 1705 N. Towanda Avenue, P.O. Box 2020, Bloomington, Illinois 61702-2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alison White, Senior Counsel, or Lorna MacLeod, Branch Chief, Office of Insurance Products, Division of Investment Management at (202) 942-0670.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application is available for a fee from the SEC's Public Reference Branch, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0102 (202-942-8090).

Applicants' Representations

1. The Trust is a Delaware business trust organized on August 13, 2000, and is registered as an open-end management investment company under the 1940 Act. The Trust consists of the following nine series: COUNTRY Growth Fund ("Growth Fund"), COUNTRY Balanced Fund ("Balanced Fund"), COUNTRY Tax Exempt Bond Fund ("Tax Exempt Bond Fund"), COUNTRY Short-Term Bond Fund ("Short-Term Bond Fund") and COUNTRY Bond Fund ("Bond Fund"), COUNTRY VP Growth Fund ("VP Growth Fund"), COUNTRY VP Balanced Fund ("VP Balanced Fund"), COUNTRY VP Short-Term Bond Fund ("VP Short-Term Bond Fund") and COUNTRY VP Bond Fund ("VP Bond Fund"). Additional series and classes of the Fund and additional Insurance Funds may be established in the future. Only the VP Growth Fund, VP Balanced Fund, VP Short-Term Bond Fund and VP Bond Fund constitute Insurance Funds for purposes of this Application.

2. CTB serves as the Trust's investment manager. CTB is registered as an investment adviser with the SEC under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. Quasar Distributors, LLC ("Quasar"), a broker-dealer registered with the Commission and a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., serves as the