

22. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (N1-431-08-7, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Master file of an electronic information system used to manage information on requests from licensees for authorization to dispose of low level nuclear wastes.

23. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (N1-431-08-8, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Master file and outputs of an electronic information system used to track requests for reciprocity between jurisdictions in regard to licensing of radioactive materials for medical and industrial testing uses.

Dated: July 10, 2008.

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Institute for Literacy.

ACTION: Notice of a closed meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming closed meeting of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board. The notice also describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of this meeting is required by Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend.

DATES: August 11, 2008.

Time: Closed meeting 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The National Institute for Literacy, 1775 I St., NW., Suite 730, Washington, DC 20006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steve Langley, Staff Assistant, the National Institute for Literacy; 1775 I St. NW., Suite 730; phone: (202) 233-2025; fax: (202) 233-2050; e-mail: slangley@nifl.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board is authorized by section 242 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Pub. L. 105-220 (20 U.S.C. 9252). The Board consists of 10 individuals appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Board advises and makes recommendations to the Interagency Group that administers the Institute.

The Interagency Group is composed of the Secretaries of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services. The Interagency Group considers the Board's recommendations in planning the goals of the Institute and in implementing any programs to achieve those goals. Specifically, the Board performs the following functions: (a) Makes recommendations concerning the appointment of the Director and the staff of the Institute; (b) provides independent advice on operation of the Institute; and (c) receives reports from the Interagency Group and the Institute's Director.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the national search for the position of Director. The discussion is likely to disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personnel privacy. The discussion must therefore be held in closed session under exemptions 2 and 6 of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2) and (6). A summary of the activities at the closed session and related matters that are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of 5 U.S.C. 552b will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting.

Request for Public Written Comment. The public may send written comments to the Advisory Board no later than 5 p.m. on August 4, 2008, to Steve Langley at the National Institute for Literacy, 1775 I St., NW., Suite 730, Washington, DC 20006, e-mail: slangley@nifl.gov.

Records are kept of all Committee proceedings and are available for public inspection at the National Institute for Literacy, 1775 I St., NW., Suite 730, Washington, DC 20006, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Time Monday through Friday.

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Dated: July 9, 2008.

Sandra Baxter,

Director, The National Institute for Literacy.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 9, 2008, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of permit applications received. Permits were issued on July 9, 2008 to: Erica Wikander, Permit No. 2009-007; Brian Stone, Permit No. 2009-008; Rennie S. Holt, Permit No. 2009-009.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 040-08778; License No. SMB-1393; EA-08-054]

In the Matter of Chevron Environmental Management Company, Washington, PA, Decommissioning Project Site; Confirmatory Order Modifying License (Effective Immediately)

I

Chevron Environmental Management Company (CEMC or Licensee) is the holder of License No. SMB-1393 issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or Commission) pursuant to 10 CFR Part 40. The license authorizes the decommissioning of the Washington, PA, Decommissioning Project in accordance with conditions specified therein. The facility is located in Washington, Pennsylvania.

This confirmatory order is the result of an agreement reached during an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mediation session conducted on June 5, 2008.

II

On July 19, 2007, the NRC's Office of Investigations (OI) issued its investigative report regarding whether a radiation safety employee (RSE) was the subject of employment discrimination in violation of 10 CFR 40.7, "Employee protection." In OI Report No. 1-2006-054, OI concluded that a RSE was discriminated against, in part, for raising concerns regarding the transportation of potentially contaminated soil samples over public roads and the monitoring of potentially radioactive airborne dust caused by the construction work activities at the site. By letter dated February 29, 2008, the NRC identified to the Licensee an apparent violation of 10 CFR 40.7, and offered CEMC the opportunity to provide a written response, attend a pre-decisional enforcement conference, or to request alternative dispute resolution (ADR) in which a neutral mediator with no decision-making authority would facilitate discussions between the NRC and CEMC and, if possible, assist the NRC and CEMC in reaching an agreement. CEMC chose to participate in ADR.

III

On June 5, 2008, the NRC and CEMC met in an ADR session in Washington, D.C., mediated by a professional mediator, arranged through Cornell University's Institute on Conflict Resolution. This confirmatory order is issued pursuant to the agreement reached during the ADR process. The elements of the agreement consisted of the following:

1. By no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the issuance of the confirmatory order, a member of CEMC's senior management responsible for the Washington site will, in writing, communicate CEMC's policy, and the expectations of management, to the Washington site workforce regarding their rights to raise concerns without fear of retaliation.

2. By no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the issuance of this confirmatory order, CEMC shall distribute a questionnaire to all employees at the Washington site to assess, in part, whether employees understand their rights to raise concerns and solicit their willingness to raise nuclear safety concerns, if any.

3. By no later than thirty (30) days after the issuance of this confirmatory

order, CEMC agrees to implement a new requirement of its contractors (including subcontractors) at the Washington site whereby the contractors would be required to affirm to CEMC, in writing, at the time that any significant job action is being taken against a Washington site employee, that such action is not being implemented in retaliation for the employee raising safety-related concerns or in retaliation for filing a safety-related complaint either internally or externally, and to affirm that the job action was taken in compliance with 10 CFR 40.7, "Employee Protection."

4. By no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the issuance of this confirmatory order, CEMC agrees to enter into a written agreement with its contractors performing work at the Washington site that requires compliance with 10 CFR 40.7, "Employee Protection."

5. By no later than sixty (60) calendar days after the issuance of this confirmatory order, CEMC agrees to provide training conducted by its counsel to all Washington site supervisory employees relating to 10 CFR 40.7, "Employee Protection" and how to foster a safety-conscious work environment.

6. By no later than seventy five (75) calendar days after the issuance of this confirmatory order, CEMC shall hold one or more meetings with employees at the Washington site to emphasize the company's policy and management's expectation that employees can raise any nuclear safety concerns without fear of retaliation.

On July 2, 2008, CEMC consented to issuing this confirmatory order with the commitments, as described in Section V below. CEMC further agreed that this confirmatory order is to be effective upon issuance and it has waived its right to a hearing.

IV

Since CEMC has agreed to take additional actions to address NRC concerns, as set forth in Item III above, and NRC has concluded that its concerns can be resolved through issuance of this confirmatory order and thereby has agreed not to pursue any further enforcement action for this issue and will not count this matter as previous enforcement for the purposes of assessing potential future enforcement action civil penalty assessments in accordance with Section VI.C of the Enforcement Policy.

I find that the Licensee's commitments as set forth in Section V are acceptable and necessary and conclude that with these commitments

the public health and safety are reasonably assured. In view of the foregoing, I have determined that the public health and safety require that the Licensee's commitments be confirmed by this confirmatory order. Based on the above and the Licensee's consent, this confirmatory order is immediately effective upon issuance. By no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the completion of the requirements in Section V, CEMC is required to notify the NRC in writing and summarizing its actions.

V

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 103, 161b, 161i, 161o, 182, and 186 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 2.202 and 10 CFR Part 50, *it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that License No. SMB-1393 is modified as follows:*

1. By no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the issuance of this confirmatory order, a member of CEMC's senior management responsible for the Washington site will, in writing, communicate CEMC's policy, and the expectations of management, to the Washington site workforce regarding their rights to raise concerns without fear of retaliation.

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VI

Any person adversely affected by this confirmatory order, other than the Licensee, may request a hearing within 20 days of its issuance. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the time to request a hearing. A request for extension of time must be made in writing to the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and include a statement of good cause for the extension.

A request for a hearing must be filed in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule, which the NRC promulgated in August, 2007, 72 Fed. Reg. 49, 139 (Aug. 8, 2007). The E-Filing process requires participants to submit and serve documents over the Internet or, in some cases, to mail copies on electronic optical storage media. Participants may not submit paper copies of their filings unless they seek a waiver in accordance with the procedures described below.

To comply with the procedural requirements associated with E-Filing, at least five (5) days prior to the filing deadline the requestor must contact the Office of the Secretary by e-mail at hearingdocket@nrc.gov, or by calling (301) 415-1677, to request (1) a digital ID certificate, which allows the participant (or its counsel or representative) to digitally sign documents and access the E-Submittal server for any NRC proceeding in which it is participating; and/or (2) creation of an electronic docket for the proceeding (even in instances when the requestor (or its counsel or representative) already holds an NRC-issued digital ID certificate). Each requestor will need to download the Workplace Forms Viewer™ to access the Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), a component of the E-Filing system. The Workplace Forms Viewer™ is free and is available at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals/install-viewer.html>.

Information about applying for a digital ID certificate also is available on NRC's public Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals/apply-certificates.html>.

Once a requestor has obtained a digital ID certificate, had a docket created, and downloaded the EIE viewer, it can then submit a request for a hearing through EIE. Submissions should be in Portable Document Format (PDF) in accordance with NRC guidance available on the NRC public Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html>. A filing is considered complete at the time the filer submits its document through EIE. To be timely, electronic filings must be submitted to the EIE system no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the due date. Upon receipt of a transmission, the E-Filing system time-stamps the document and sends the submitter an e-mail notice confirming receipt of the document. The EIE system also distributes an e-mail notice that provides access to the document to the NRC Office of the General Counsel and any others who have advised the Office of the Secretary that they wish to participate in the proceeding, so that the filer need not serve the document on those participants separately. Therefore, any others who wish to participate in the proceeding (or their counsel or representative) must apply for and receive a digital ID certificate before a hearing request is filed so that they may obtain access to the document via the E-Filing system.

A person filing electronically may seek assistance through the "Contact Us" link located on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html> or by calling the NRC technical help line, which is available between 8:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. The help line number is (800) 397-4209 or locally, (301) 415-4737.

Participants who believe that they have good cause for not submitting documents electronically must file a motion, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.302(g), with their initial paper filing requesting authorization to continue to submit documents in paper format. Such filings must be submitted 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; or (2) courier, express mail, or expedited delivery service to the Office of the Secretary, Sixteenth Floor, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD, 20852, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff.

Participants filing a document in this manner are responsible for serving the document on all other participants. Filing is considered complete by first-class mail as of the time of deposit in the mail, or by courier, express mail, or expedited delivery service upon depositing the document with the provider of the service.

Documents submitted in adjudicatory proceedings will appear in NRC's electronic hearing docket which is available to the public at http://ehd.nrc.gov/EHD_Proceeding/home.asp, unless excluded pursuant to an order of the Commission, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, or a Presiding Officer. Participants are requested not to include personal privacy information, such as Social Security numbers, home addresses, or home phone numbers in their filings. With respect to copyrighted works, except for limited excerpts that serve the purpose of the adjudicatory filings and would constitute a Fair Use application, Participants are requested not to include copyrighted materials in their works.

If a person (other than the Licensee) requests a hearing, that person shall set forth with particularity the manner in which his interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address the criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.309(d) and (f).

If the hearing is requested by a person whose interest is adversely affected, the Commission will issue an Order designating the time and place of any hearing. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing shall be whether this confirmatory order should be sustained. In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in Section V above shall be final 20 days from the date of this Order without further order or proceedings. If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the provisions specified in Section V shall be final when the extension expires if a hearing request has not been received. A request for hearing shall not stay the immediate effectiveness of this order.

Dated this 8th day of July, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Cynthia A. Carpenter,

Director, Office of Enforcement.

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