no significant increase in individual or cumulative public or occupational radiation exposure; (iv) there is no significant construction impact; (v) there is no significant increase in the potential for or consequences from radiological accidents; and (vi) the requirements from which an exemption is sought involve: Surety, insurance, or indemnity requirements.

The Director, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, has determined that approval of the exemption request involves no significant hazards consideration because reducing the licensee’s onsite property damage insurance for KPS does not (1) involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated; or (2) create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated; or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. The exempted financial protection regulation is unrelated to the operation of KPS. Accordingly, there is no significant change in the types or significant increase in the amounts of any effluents that may be released offsite; and no significant increase in individual or cumulative public or occupational radiation exposure. The exempted regulation is not associated with construction, so there is no significant construction impact. The exempted regulation does not concern the source term (i.e., potential amount of radiation in an accident), nor mitigation. Therefore, there is no significant increase in the potential for, or consequences of, a radiological accident. In addition, there would be no significant impacts to biota, water resources, historic properties, cultural resources, or socioeconomic conditions in the region. The requirement for onsite property damage insurance may be viewed as involving surety, insurance, or indemnity matters.

Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) and 51.22(c)(25), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the approval of this exemption request.

IV. Conclusions

Accordingly, the Commission has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12(a), the exemption is authorized by law, will not present an undue risk to the public health and safety, and is consistent with the common defense and security. Also, special circumstances are present. Therefore, the Commission hereby grants DEK an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.54(w)(1), to permit the licensee to reduce its onsite property damage insurance to a level of $50 million.

The exemption is effective upon issuance.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 3rd day of April, 2015.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Michele G. Evans,
Director, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
[NRC–2014–0247]

Information Collection: General Domestic Licenses for Byproduct Material

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission to the Office of Management and Budget; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted a request for renewal of an existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The information collection is entitled, General Domestic Licenses for Byproduct Material. 1

DATES: Submit comments by May 13, 2015.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2014–0247 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:


• NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “ADAMS Public Documents” and then select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The supporting statement is available in ADAMS under Accession No ADAMS ML15040A059.

• NRC’s PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room O1–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

• NRC’s Clearance Officer: A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by contacting the NRC’s Clearance Officer, Tremaine Donnell, Office of Information Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; telephone: 301–415–6258; email: INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@nrc.gov.

B. Submitting Comments

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information in comment submissions that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. All comment submissions are posted at http://www.regulations.gov and entered into ADAMS. Comment submissions are not routinely edited to remove identifying or contact information. If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the OMB, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that comment submissions are not routinely edited to remove such information before being entered into ADAMS.
person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The NRC published a Federal Register notice with a 60-day comment period on this information collection on November 19, 2014, 79 FR 68917.


2. OMB approval number: 3150–0016

3. Type of submission: Extension with burden revision

4. The form number if applicable: Not applicable

5. How often the collection is required or requested: Reports are submitted as events occur. General license registration requests may be submitted at any time. Changes to the information on the registration may be submitted as they occur.

6. Who will be required or asked to respond: Persons receiving, possessing, using, or transferring devices containing byproduct material.

7. The estimated number of annual responses: 138,429 (10,929 responses + 127,500 recordkeepers).

8. The estimated number of annual respondents: 10,929 (971 NRC licensee respondents + 9,958 Agreement State licensee respondents).

9. An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to comply with the information collection requirement or request: 36,186 hours (4,843 hours for NRC licensees + 31,343 hours for Agreement State licensees).

10. Abstract: Part 31 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), establishes general licenses for the possession and use of byproduct material in certain devices. General licensees are required to keep testing records and submit event reports identified in Part 31, which assist the NRC in determining reasonable assurance that devices are operated safely and without radiological hazard to users or the public.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 7th day of April, 2015.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Tremaine Donnell,
NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Services.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–255; NRC–2014–0216]

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.; Palisades Nuclear Plant

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Director’s decision under 10 CFR 2.206; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued a final director’s decision with regard to a petition dated March 5, 2014, as supplemented on April 6, May 21, and September 3, 2014, filed by Mr. Michael Mulligan (the petitioner), requesting that the NRC take action with regard to Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENO or the licensee) at Palisades Nuclear Plant (PNP). The petitioner’s requests and the final director’s decision are included in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

DATES: April 13, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2014–0216 when contacting the NRC about the availability of this document. You may obtain publicly-available information and the final director’s decision with regard to a petition filed by the petitioner on March 5, 2014 (ADAMS Accession No. ML14071A006), as supplemented on April 6, May 21, and September 3, 2014 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML14143A212, ML14142A101, and ML14259A135, respectively). The petitioner requested immediate action to prevent the PNP from restarting due to a piece of PCP impeller that was lodged between the RV and the flow skirt and due to flawed CRDMs. The NRC staff denied the petitioner’s request for immediate action to prevent PNP from restarting, based on the following factors:

1. The NRC performed an in-depth independent review of the licensee’s analysis and concluded that the impeller piece did not pose a threat to safe operation of the reactor and RV.

2. The licensee replaced all of the CRDM housings prior to plant startup.

By teleconference on April 8, 2014, and again on September 3, 2014, the petitioner addressed the Petition Review Board (PRB). The meetings provided the petitioner with an opportunity to provide additional information and to clarify issues cited in the petition. The transcripts of these meetings were treated as supplements to the petition and are available in ADAMS, as previously noted.

In the agency’s letter dated September 25, 2014 (ADAMS Accession No. ML14237A726), the NRC accepted the following specific issues of the petition for review under Section 2.206 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR):

1. Request for PNP to open every PCP for inspection and clear up all flaws.

2. Request for PNP to replace the PCPs with others designed for their intended duty.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the Deputy Director, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, has issued a final director’s decision (ADAMS Accession No. ML15054A365), on a petition filed by the petitioner on March 5, 2014 (ADAMS Accession No. ML14071A006), as supplemented on April 6, May 21, and September 3, 2014 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML14143A212, ML14142A101, and ML14259A135, respectively). The petitioner requested a number of actions be taken by the NRC and the licensee for equipment failures at PNP. As the basis for the request, the petitioner stated that there have been recent plant events and equipment failures at PNP, such as parts of the primary coolant pump (PCP) impeller breaking off and lodging in the reactor vessel (RV) and flaws in the control rod drive mechanisms (CRDMs). The petitioner requested immediate action to prevent the PNP from restarting due to a piece of PCP impeller that was lodged between the RV and the flow skirt and due to flawed CRDMs. The NRC staff denied the petitioner’s request for immediate action to prevent PNP from restarting, based on the following factors:

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