

been designated to rule on information access issues, with that officer.

If challenges to the NRC staff determinations are filed, these procedures give way to the normal process for litigating disputes concerning access to information. The availability of interlocutory review by the Commission of orders ruling on such NRC staff determinations (whether

granting or denying access) is governed by 10 CFR 2.311.<sup>3</sup>

I. The Commission expects that the NRC staff and presiding officers (and any other reviewing officers) will consider and resolve requests for access to SUNSI, and motions for protective orders, in a timely fashion in order to minimize any unnecessary delays in identifying those petitioners who have standing and who have propounded contentions meeting the specificity and

basis requirements in 10 CFR part 2. The attachment to this Order summarizes the general target schedule for processing and resolving requests under these procedures.

*It is so ordered.*

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th of July 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.  
**Annette L. Vietti-Cook,**  
*Secretary of the Commission.*

**ATTACHMENT 1—GENERAL TARGET SCHEDULE FOR PROCESSING AND RESOLVING REQUESTS FOR ACCESS TO SENSITIVE UNCLASSIFIED NON-SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION IN THIS PROCEEDING**

Day	Event/activity
0 .....	Publication of FEDERAL REGISTER notice of hearing and opportunity to petition for leave to intervene, including order with instructions for access requests.
10 .....	Deadline for submitting requests for access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information (SUNSI) with information: Supporting the standing of a potential party identified by name and address; describing the need for the information in order for the potential party to participate meaningfully in an adjudicatory proceeding.
60 .....	Deadline for submitting petition for intervention containing: (i) Demonstration of standing; and (ii) all contentions whose formulation does not require access to SUNSI (+25 Answers to petition for intervention; +7 petitioner/requestor reply).
20 .....	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff informs the requester of the staff's determination whether the request for access provides a reasonable basis to believe standing can be established and shows need for SUNSI. (NRC staff also informs any party to the proceeding whose interest independent of the proceeding would be harmed by the release of the information.) If NRC staff makes the finding of need for SUNSI and likelihood of standing, NRC staff begins document processing (preparation of redactions or review of redacted documents).
25 .....	If NRC staff finds no "need" or no likelihood of standing, the deadline for petitioner/requester to file a motion seeking a ruling to reverse the NRC staff's denial of access; NRC staff files copy of access determination with the presiding officer (or Chief Administrative Judge or other designated officer, as appropriate). If NRC staff finds "need" for SUNSI, the deadline for any party to the proceeding whose interest independent of the proceeding would be harmed by the release of the information to file a motion seeking a ruling to reverse the NRC staff's grant of access.
30 .....	Deadline for NRC staff reply to motions to reverse NRC staff determination(s).
40 .....	(Receipt +30) If NRC staff finds standing and need for SUNSI, deadline for NRC staff to complete information processing and file motion for Protective Order and draft Non-Disclosure Affidavit. Deadline for applicant/licensee to file Non-Disclosure Agreement for SUNSI.
A .....	If access granted: Issuance of presiding officer or other designated officer decision on motion for protective order for access to sensitive information (including schedule for providing access and submission of contentions) or decision reversing a final adverse determination by the NRC staff.
A + 3 .....	Deadline for filing executed Non-Disclosure Affidavits. Access provided to SUNSI consistent with decision issuing the protective order.
A + 28 .....	Deadline for submission of contentions whose development depends upon access to SUNSI. However, if more than 25 days remain between the petitioner's receipt of (or access to) the information and the deadline for filing all other contentions (as established in the notice of opportunity to request a hearing and petition for leave to intervene), the petitioner may file its SUNSI contentions by that later deadline.
A + 53 .....	(Contention receipt +25) Answers to contentions whose development depends upon access to SUNSI.
A + 60 .....	(Answer receipt +7) Petitioner/Intervenor reply to answers.
>A + 60 .....	Decision on contention admission.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket No. 40-8584; NRC-2018-0141]

**Kennecott Uranium Company; Sweetwater Uranium Project**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** License renewal; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a renewed license to Kennecott Uranium Company (KUC) for its Sweetwater Uranium Project (SUP), located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming, for Materials License SUA-1350. The license authorizes KUC to possess uranium source and byproduct material at the SUP. In addition, the license authorizes KUC to operate its facilities as proposed in its license renewal application, as amended, and as prescribed in the license, after a pre-operational inspection has been completed at the

SUP and any safety issues resolved. The renewed license expires on November 9, 2024.

**DATES:** The license referenced in this document is available on July 6, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2018-0141 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0141. Address

<sup>3</sup>Requesters should note that the filing requirements of the NRC's E-Filing Rule (72 FR 49139; August 28, 2007, as amended at 77 FR

46562; August 3, 2012) apply to appeals of NRC staff determinations (because they must be served on a presiding officer or the Commission, as

applicable), but not to the initial SUNSI request submitted to the NRC staff under these procedures.

questions about NRC dockets to Jennifer Borges; telephone: 301-287-9127; email: [Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov). For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *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](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that it is mentioned in this document. In addition, for the convenience of the reader, the ADAMS accession numbers are provided in a table in the "Availability of Documents" section of this document.

- *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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Webb, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington,

DC 20555-0001, telephone: 301-415-6252; email: [James.Webb@nrc.gov](mailto:James.Webb@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Discussion**

Based upon the application dated July 24, 2014 (ADAMS Package Accession No. ML14251A115), as supplemented on October 31, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No. ML15300A336), June 2, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16160A410), October 18, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16298A147), November 14, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16335A183), September 28, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17277A074), and January 12, 2018 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18043A034), the NRC has issued a renewed license (ADAMS Accession No. ML18102B175) to KUC, located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The renewed license authorizes KUC to possess uranium source and byproduct material at the SUP. In addition, the license authorizes KUC to operate its facilities as proposed in its license renewal application, as amended, and as prescribed in its amended license, after a pre-operational inspection has been completed at the SUP and any safety issues resolved. The renewed license will expire on November 9, 2024.

The licensee's application for a renewed license complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the NRC's rules and regulations. The NRC has made appropriate findings as required by the Act, part 20 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), and 10

CFR part 40, and sets forth those findings in the renewed license. The agency afforded an opportunity for a hearing in the "Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing" published in the **Federal Register** on February 10, 2015 (80 FR 7501). The NRC received no request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene following the notice.

The NRC staff prepared a safety evaluation report (ADAMS Accession No. ML18052B381) for the renewal of the license and concluded, based on that evaluation, that KUC will continue to meet the regulations in the Act, 10 CFR part 20, and 10 CFR part 40. The NRC staff also prepared an environmental assessment (ADAMS Accession No. ML18135A206) and finding of no significant impact for the renewal of this license, which were published in the **Federal Register** on June 8, 2018 (83 FR 26708). The NRC staff concluded that renewal of this license will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Concurrent with its license renewal review, the NRC also reviewed KUC's revised request to construct an additional tailings impoundment and evaporation ponds for future operations.

**II. Availability of Documents**

The following table includes the ADAMS accession numbers for the documents referenced in this notice. For additional information on accessing ADAMS, see the **ADDRESSES** section of this document.

Document	ADAMS accession No.
License Renewal Application (LRA) July 24, 2014 .....	ML14251A113
LRA Revision, October 31, 2015 .....	ML15300A336
LRA Revision, June 2, 2016 .....	ML16160A410
LRA Revision, October 18, 2016 .....	ML16298A147
LRA Revision, November 14, 2016 .....	ML16335A183
LRA Revision, September 28, 2017 .....	ML17277A074
LRA Revision, January 12, 2018 .....	ML18043A034
Final Environmental Assessment for the Renewal of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. SUA-1530 for Kennecott Uranium Company, Sweetwater County, Wyoming, issued June 2018 .....	ML18135A206
NRC Safety Evaluation Report, February 28, 2018 .....	ML18052B381
Source Materials License, Kennecott Uranium Company, June 30, 2018 .....	ML18102B175

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of July 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Michele M. Sampson,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Division of Decommissioning, Uranium Recovery and Waste Programs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.*

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Plant Operations and Fire Protection; Notice of Meeting**

The ACRS Subcommittee on Plant Operations and Fire Protection will hold

a meeting on July 26, 2018 at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I, 2100 Renaissance Blvd., Suite 100, King of Prussia, PA 19406-2713.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance. The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows: