

of the current information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the address section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the address section below on or before August 1, 2011. The NEA is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**ADDRESSES:** Sunil Iyengar, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 616, Washington, DC 20506-0001, telephone (202) 682-5424 (this is not a toll-free number), fax (202) 682-5677.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Toward Innovative Spectrum-Sharing Technologies: A Technical Workshop on Coordinating Federal Government/Private Sector R&D Investments

**AGENCY:** The National Coordination Office (NCO) for Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wendy Wigen at 703-292-4873 or [wigen@nitrd.gov](mailto:wigen@nitrd.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**DATES:** July 26, 2011.

**SUMMARY:** Representatives from Federal research agencies, private industry, and academia will discuss the future research needs for developing innovative spectrum-sharing technologies.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Overview:** This notice is issued by the National Coordination Office for the Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) Program. Agencies of the NITRD Program are holding a technical workshop to bring together experts from private industry and academia to help "create and implement a plan to facilitate research, development, experimentation, and testing by researchers to explore innovative spectrum-sharing technologies, including those that are secure and resilient." The workshop will take place on July 26, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. MT in Boulder, Colorado at the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) Boulder Labs, 325 Broadway, Building 1 Lobby, Boulder, Colorado 80305. This event will be Webcast. For the event agenda and information about the Webcast, go to: <http://www.its.bldrdoc.gov/isart/WSRD/>.

**Background:** The dramatic rise of radio frequency-based applications has sparked a new sense of urgency among federal users, commercial service providers, equipment developers, and spectrum management professionals on how best to manage and use the radio spectrum. While near-term solutions such as spectrum re-allocations are critical to meeting national needs, so is the development of the next generation of technologies that can enable more efficient use of the radio spectrum.

NITRD established the Wireless Spectrum Research and Development Senior Steering Group (WSRD-SSG) in late 2010. The committee was asked to identify current spectrum-related research projects funded by the Federal Government, and to work with the non-federal community, including the academic, commercial, and public safety sectors, to implement a plan that "facilitates research, development, experimentation, and testing by researchers to explore innovative spectrum-sharing technologies," in accordance with the Presidential Memorandum on Unleashing the Wireless Broadband Revolution. WSRD-SSG operates under the auspices of the Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) program of the National Coordination Office (NCO), and has recently put together a preliminary

inventory of federal R&D in the spectrum arena.

This workshop will present an opportunity for relevant interested parties, including technical experts from private industry and public safety, together with academic researchers, to explore ongoing spectrum-related Federal Government R&D activities as listed in the WSRD-SSG inventory, and offer their expertise on developing recommendations for a wireless technology innovation initiative. We will ask private industry participants to suggest research avenues that they believe are presently underrepresented in federal R&D and that are not being pursued in private industry research laboratories. The focus will be on identifying R&D that may have large potential payoffs for wireless technologies and the nation's economy at large, which are consistent with the Federal Government's role in sponsoring important basic and applied research and development. The workshop will also address possible frameworks for supporting long-term research that may result in yet-to-be-conceived improvements in spectrum utilization.

Submitted by the National Science Foundation for the National Coordination Office (NCO) for Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) on June 2, 2011.

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## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

### Sunshine Act Meeting

#### Agenda

**TIME AND DATE:** 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 21, 2011.

**PLACE:** NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20594.

**STATUS:** The one item is open to the public.

**MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** 8240A Marine Accident Report—Collision of Tugboat/Barge Caribbean Sea/The Resource with Amphibious Passenger Vessel DUKW 34, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 7, 2010.

**NEWS MEDIA CONTACT:** Telephone: (202) 314-6100

The press and public may enter the NTSB Conference Center one hour prior to the meeting for set up and seating.

Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Rochelle Hall at (202) 314-6305 by Friday, June 17, 2011.

The public may view the meeting via a live or archived webcast by accessing a link under "News & Events" on the NTSB home page at <http://www.nts.gov>.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Candi Bing, (202) 314-6403 or by e-mail at [bingc@nts.gov](mailto:bingc@nts.gov).

Friday, June 3, 2011.

**Candi R. Bing,**

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[Docket No. 52-038; NRC-2008-0581]**

### **Nine Mile Point 3 Nuclear Project, LLC and Unistar Nuclear Operating Services, LLC; Combined License Application for Nine Mile Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant; Exemption**

#### **1.0 Background**

Nine Mile Point 3 Nuclear Project, LLC and UniStar Nuclear Operating Services, LLC (UniStar) submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) a Combined License (COL) Application for a single unit of AREVA NP's U.S. EPR in accordance with the requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), subpart C of part 52, "Licenses, Certifications, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants." This reactor is to be identified as Nine Mile Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant (NMP3NPP), and located adjacent to the current Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 1 and Unit 2, in Oswego County, New York. The NMP3NPP COL application incorporates by reference AREVA NP's application for a Standard Design Certification for the U.S. EPR. Additionally, the NMP3NPP COL application is based upon the U.S. EPR reference COL (RCOL) application for UniStar's Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 3 (CCNPP3). The NRC docketed the NMP3NPP COL application on December 12, 2008. On December 1, 2009, UniStar Nuclear Energy (UNE), which is acting on behalf of the COL applicants Nine Mile Point 3 Nuclear Project, LLC and UniStar Nuclear Operating Services, LLC, requested that the NRC temporarily suspend the NMP3NPP COL application review, including any supporting

reviews by external agencies, until further notice. Based on this request, the NRC discontinued all review activities associated with the NMP3NPP COL application. The NRC is currently performing a detailed review of the CCNPP3 RCOL application, as well as AREVA NP's application for design certification of the U.S. EPR.

#### **2.0 Request/Action**

The regulations specified in 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii), require that an applicant for a combined license under 10 CFR part 52 shall, during the period from docketing of a COL application until the Commission makes a finding under 10 CFR 52.103(g) pertaining to facility operation, submit an annual update to the application's Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR), which is a part of the application.

On March 31, 2009, UNE submitted Revision 1 to the COL application, including updates to the FSAR. Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii), the next annual update was due by December 2010. UNE has requested a one-time exemption from the 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii) requirements to submit the scheduled 2010 and 2011 FSAR updates, and proposed for approval a new submittal deadline of December 31, 2012, for the next FSAR update. In addition, UNE has committed to submit an updated FSAR prior to resumption of NRC review for the NMP3NPP COL application.

In summary, the requested exemption is a one-time schedule change from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii). The exemption would allow UNE to submit the next FSAR update at a later date, but still in advance of the NRC reinstating its review of the application, and in any event, by December 31, 2012. The current FSAR update schedule could not be changed, absent the exemption. UNE requested the exemption by letter dated December 9, 2010 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML103480076). UNE has affirmed that this request letter replaced UNE's previous correspondence of November 18, 2010 (ML103260479), in its entirety, on the same request for exemption from 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii). The NRC notes that the granting of the exemption applies prospectively, rather than retroactively, so this exemption applies to required actions from the date of exemption issuance and does not retroactively authorize a previous failure to take required action.

#### **3.0 Discussion**

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12, the NRC may, upon application by any interested

person or upon its own initiative, grant exemptions from the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, including Section 50.71(e)(3)(iii) when: (1) The exemptions are authorized by law, will not present an undue risk to public health or safety, and are consistent with the common defense and security; and (2) special circumstances are present. As relevant to the requested exemption, special circumstances exist if: (1) "Application of the regulation in the particular circumstances would not serve the underlying purpose of the rule or is not necessary to achieve the underlying purpose of the rule" (10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(ii)); or (2) "The exemption would provide only temporary relief from the applicable regulation and the licensee or applicant has made good faith efforts to comply with the regulation" (10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(v)).

The review of the NMP3NPP COL application FSAR has been suspended since December 1, 2009. Since the COL application incorporates by reference the application for a Standard Design Certification for the U.S. EPR, many changes in the U.S. EPR FSAR require an associated change to the COL application FSAR, and because the NRC review of the COL application is suspended, the updates to the COL application FSAR will not be reviewed by the NRC staff until the NMP3NPP COL application review is resumed. Thus, the optimum time to prepare a revision to the COL application FSAR is sometime prior to UNE requesting the NRC to resume its review. To prepare and submit a COL application FSAR update when the review remains suspended and in the absence of any decision by UNE to request the NRC to resume the review, would require UNE to spend significant time and effort and would be of no value, particularly due to the fact that the U.S. EPR FSAR is still undergoing periodic revisions and updates. UNE commits to submit the next FSAR update prior to any request to the NRC to resume review of the COL application and, in any event, by December 31, 2012, and would need to identify all changes to the U.S. EPR FSAR in order to prepare a COL application FSAR revision that accurately and completely reflects the changes to the U.S. EPR FSAR.

The requested one-time schedule exemption to defer submittal of the next update to the NMP3NPP COL application FSAR would provide only temporary relief from the regulations of 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii). UNE has made good faith efforts to comply with 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii) by submitting Revision 1 to the COL application on March 31, 2009, prior to requesting the review