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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the meeting will be the Presidential Library program and a discussion of issues related to developing public awareness of Presidential Library programs.

The meeting will be open to the public.

Dated: March 2, 2005.

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Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-440]

Firstenergy Nuclear Operating Company; Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (the licensee), to withdraw its April 26, 2004, application for a proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-58 for the Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1, located in Lake County, Ohio.

The proposed amendment would have revised the frequency of the Mode 5 Intermediate Range Monitoring Instrumentation CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST contained in Technical Specification 3.3.1.1 from 7 days to 31 days.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on August 31, 2004 (69 FR 53109). However, by letter dated February 17, 2005, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated April 26, 2004, and the licensee's letter dated February 17, 2005, 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, 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 25th day of February 2005.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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[Docket No. 040-08778]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment for Molycorp, Inc.'s Facility in Washington, PA

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The NRC is considering issuance of a license amendment to Molycorp, Inc. (Molycorp or licensee) for Materials License No. SMB-1393, to authorize an alternate decommissioning schedule for its facility in Washington, Pennsylvania. NRC has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this action in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 51. Based on the EA, the NRC has concluded that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate. The amendment will be issued following the publication of this Notice.

II. EA Summary

The purpose of this proposed action is to allow the licensee to decommission its facility in a phased approach which will take longer than the two year period identified in the approved

decommissioning plan (DP).

97Following an extensive supplemental characterization study, Molycorp found that there is a large volume of contaminated material in the subsurface. Molycorp will excavate the contaminated soils and transport them off-site to an NRC approved facility. Molycorp's proposed alternate decommissioning schedule shows that all decommissioning activities will be completed by the end of 2007. Molycorp's request is contained in a letter to NRC dated October 22, 2004.

An earlier, and more extensive, Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for License Amendment No. 5, in support of the NRC staff evaluation of Molycorp's final DP. The NRC staff determined that all steps in the proposed decommissioning could be accomplished in compliance with the NRC public and occupational dose limits, effluent release limits, and residual radioactive material limits. In addition, the staff concluded that approval of the decommissioning of the Molycorp Washington, PA, facility in accordance with the commitments in NRC license SMB-1393 and the final DP would not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment. The proposed action does not change the impacts analyzed in detail in the EA prepared for License Amendment No. 5.

If the NRC approves the license amendment, the authorization will be documented in an amendment to NRC License No. SMB-1393. However, before approving the proposed amendment, the NRC will need to make the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and NRC's regulations. These findings will be documented in a Safety Evaluation Report in addition to the EA.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The staff has prepared the EA (summarized above) in support of Molycorp's proposed alternate decommissioning schedule. The NRC staff has concluded that there will be no adverse environmental impacts associated with granting Molycorp an alternate decommissioning schedule. The impacts associated with this proposed action do not differ significantly from the impacts evaluated in the EA for approval of the DP in License Amendment No. 5. On the basis of the EA, the NRC has concluded that the environmental impacts from the action are expected to be insignificant and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the action.