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NRC ASKS FOR COMMENTS ON DECOMMISSIONING OF GEORGIA TECH RESEARCH REACTOR

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff is soliciting comments on Georgia Tech's proposed decommissioning plan for its research reactor. Comments should be provided to the NRC within 60 days and should be addressed to the Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

In July of last year, the Georgia Institute of Technology submitted an application to the NRC for a license amendment approving the decommissioning plan for the Georgia Tech Research Reactor, located in the north central part of the Georgia Tech campus in Atlanta. The reactor opened in the 1960s, but has been shut down since late 1995 when fuel was removed from the site prior to the Olympic Games in Atlanta in the summer of 1996.

If Georgia Tech's plan demonstrates that decommissioning can be performed in compliance with the regulations and with the proper attention to health and safety, the NRC staff intends to approve the plan with any conditions or limitations the agency may find necessary.