

Mr. Peter Hastings, Licensing Manager
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SUBJECT: ELECTRONIC INFORMATION EXCHANGE (EIE) SYSTEM

Dear Mr. Hastings:

Since the Summer of 1999, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has operated a pilot program for electronic submission of official documents to the agency. The Electronic Information Exchange (EIE) system was officially implemented with the issuance of Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2001-05 on January 25, 2001. The RIS addresses all Part 50 submittals and allows for EIE and CD-ROM submittals in lieu of hardcopy on a voluntary basis.

This letter is to inform you that the NRC is now planning to implement a pilot program for electronic submittals from the Fuel Cycle Facilities that are listed below:

BWX Technologies, Inc.	Docket 70-27
Frametome ANP, Inc.	Docket 70-1201
Global Nuclear Fuel-Americas, LLC	Docket 70-1113
Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc.	Docket 70-143
Framatome ANP Richland, Inc.	Docket 70-1257
Westinghouse Electric Company LLC	Docket 70-1151
USEC, Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant	Docket 70-7001
USEC, Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant	Docket 70-7002
Duke Cogema Stone & Webster	Docket 70-3098

Participation in the Electronic Submittal Pilot is strictly voluntary. The NRC will provide you with all necessary software, digital certificates and technical support necessary for your participation. Since the current regulations require paper as the submittal medium you must request an exemption if you plan on participating and submitting **in an electronic form only**. If you choose to submit both in paper and in an electronic form you may send both but will be required to state that the electronic version is a duplicate of the paper. If you elect to submit either in paper or the paper/electronic version, submit the six copies required by NRC regulations.

To request an exemption you may send a letter to the NRC containing the following statement.

In accordance with the provision of 70.17, "Specific Exemptions," Duke Cogema Stone & Weber is requesting an exemption to 70.5, "Communications," to allow us to submit electronically any communication or report concerning the regulations in Part 70 and any application filed under these regulations. We believe that such submittals are authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and are otherwise in the public interest.

The pilot program for Part 70 submittals will follow the requirements as outlined in the RIS 2001-05 "Guidance On Submitting Documents to the NRC by Electronic Information Exchange or on CD-ROM," with one exception. The exception is that if you choose to make a paper submission, it will be necessary to send the number of paper copies required by NRC regulations (rather than the single paper copy allowed by the RIS for Part 50 submittals). If you choose to submit electronically, only one electronic copy is necessary. All information, software and digital certificate request forms necessary to participate in the program may be found on the EIE Web Page <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/EIE/index.html> or by going to the NRC Homepage www.nrc.gov and clicking on EIE.

Questions may be directed to: John Skoczlas, EIE Project Manager
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Sincerely,
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