

Approved For Publication

The Commission delegated to the EDO (10 CFR 1.32(c)) the authority to develop and promulgate rules as defined in the APA (5 U.S.C. 551(4)) subject to the limitations in NRC Management Directive 9.17, Organization and Functions, Office of the Executive Director for Operations, paragraphs 0213, 038, 039, and 0310.

The attached direct final rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Standardized NUHOMS[®]-24P, -52B, -61BT, -32PT, and -24PHB Revision" amends 10 CFR Part 72 by revising the Transnuclear, Inc., Standardized NUHOMS[®] Horizontal Modular Storage System (Standardized NUHOMS[®] System) listing within the "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks." This amendment will incorporate changes in support of the Amergen Corporation plans to load damaged fuel and additional fuel types at its Oyster Creek Nuclear Station. Specifically, the amendment will add damaged Boiling Water Reactor spent fuel assemblies and additional fuel types to the authorized contents of the NUHOMS[®]-61BT Dry Shielded Canister under a general license. In addition, the amendment includes three minor changes to the Technical Specifications to correct inconsistencies and remove irrelevant references.

This direct final rule does not constitute a significant question of policy, nor does it amend regulations contained in 10 CFR Parts 7, 8, or 9, Subpart C, concerning matters of policy. I, therefore, find that this rule is within the scope of my rulemaking authority and am proceeding to issue it.

11/20/03
Date

/RA William F. Kane Acting For/
William F. Kane,
Acting Executive Director for Operations.