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LICENSEE: Westinghouse Electric Company LLC, Festus, Missouri

SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT: ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES, AND DELETION AND MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN COMMITMENTS IN LICENSE SNM-33 FOR THE HEMATITE FACILITY WITH CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (TAC NO. L52662)

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

By its letter dated May 12, 2005, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC (WEC) requested an amendment to its license SNM-33 to reflect organizational changes at the WEC facility in Festus, Missouri, located in Jefferson County, generally known as the Hematite facility. Along with WEC's license amendment request, in accordance with the agreement between the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and WEC reached during discussions in May 2005, as explained in a letter from the NRC to WEC dated June 20, 2005 (ML0516500220), license condition 14 is to be deleted from the license the next time the license is amended because the agreement between NRC and WEC no longer applies. Furthermore, because 10 CFR 71 was amended, effective October 1, 2004, some references to 10 CFR Part 71 subparts as stated in the license were incorrect and needed to be updated.

The licensee's May 12, 2005 application and the agreement reached in May 2005 between NRC and WEC, as documented in the NRC June 20, 2005 letter to WEC (ML051650020), revised and replaced the earlier submittals transmitted by letter^s dated XXXXXX. The proposed changes were as follows.

- Section 2.4, Organizational Assignments, page 2-7, second paragraph to be deleted. Tracey Chance will be noted as the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO). Newly Horton's resume will be removed from the back of Section 2.0 and replaced with Tracey Chanc's resume.
- License Condition 11A. "The Hematite Facility RSO is Cort Horton" will be deleted. The staff compared the RSO minimal requirements as stated in Section 2.1.3 of the license to the resume of the proposed RSO, Tracy Chance, and found that Tracy Chance meets the RSO requirements as stated in Section 2.1.3 of the license.
- License Condition 13
- License Condition 14, describing a schedule for the submittal of Decommissioning Plans in phases, will be deleted as explained in the June 20, 2005 letter from NRC to WEC (MLML051650020).

The staff has reviewed the above changes to the license and finds that these changes can be made without adversely affecting public health and safety, or the environment. The licensee will not be adding any new processes, and has shut down all of its manufacturing operations at the Hematite facility.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

These changes are considered administrative, organizational, and procedural in nature, and do not constitute a change in process operations, or equipment. Therefore, in accordance with 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11), neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is warranted for this action.

CONCLUSION

The NRC staff has reviewed the proposed amendment and has determined that the proposed changes do not adversely affect public health and safety or the environment and are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare a site-specific environmental assessment. Therefore, approval of the amendment application is recommended.

The Region III inspection staff has no objection to this proposed amendment.

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