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From: Tilda Liu
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2009 5:18 PM
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Cc: Breeda Reilly; Thomas Hiltz; Catina Gibbs; Yawar Faraz
Subject: RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE FOR REVISION 1 TO LICENSE APPLICATION FOR AES EAGLE ROCK ENRICHMENT FACILITY

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Mr. Stan Day
Acting Licensing Lead – AES Eagle Rock Enrichment Facility
AREVA NP, Inc.
Docket No.: 70-7015

SUBJECT: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW REGARDING REVISION 1 TO LICENSE APPLICATION FOR EAGLE ROCK ENRICHMENT FACILITY (TAC NO. L32707)

Stan:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has received Revision 1 to the license application submitted by AREVA Enrichment Services (AES) for construction and operation of the Eagle Rock Enrichment Facility (EREF) dated April 23, 2009. In its original license application submittal dated December 30, 2008, AES requested that EREF, which is to be located in Bonneville County, Idaho, would process 3.3 million separative work units (SWU) annually and enrich uranium (U) up to an assay level of 5 percent U-235 per year. By its revised license application dated April 23, 2009, AES updated its original application by requesting to increase EREF's processing capacity to 6.6 million SWU per year.

The staff has completed the acceptance review of your revised license application, dated April 23, 2009, and determined that it is acceptable for formal review. Please note that the complete technical review may identify omissions in the submittal information or technical issues that require additional information.

Based on our projection of the administrative and technical review schedules, we anticipate completing our reviews and issuing our Safety Evaluation Report and Environmental Impact Statement documents by August 2010. However, this date could change depending on budget and resource constraints, the findings of our technical review, or other factors. We will promptly communicate any significant changes to this schedule.

Please be advised that this application will be subject to a hearing before an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board or Presiding Officer as determined by the NRC. A notice of opportunity to request a hearing and/or an order addressing hearing requests will follow at a later date.

In accordance with Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Breeda Reilly at (301) 492-3110 or via email to breeda.reilly@nrc.gov.

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