

Review Status and Extension of Public Scoping Period

- On January 13, 2009, NRC granted an exemption that allowed GEH to submit its environmental report prior to submitting the remainder of its license application. After consultation with OGC, NRO, and a review of 10 CFR 51, DWMEP staff concluded it could begin scoping before the license application was received. GEH indicated it would submit the license application by April 30, 2009.

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- The early start to scoping has allowed additional time for public comment. Early scoping also has allowed a comprehensive site visit and consultations to be completed earlier in the process, resulting in fewer and better informed RAIs.

Public Scoping Comments

- NRC conducted a public scoping meeting on May 19, 2009 and has received 5 comment letters from members of the public. Key concerns raised by members of the public include
 - Noise and traffic due to construction
 - Decrease in property values due to public fears of an enrichment facility
 - Potential effects of hurricanes
 - Transportation accidents and vulnerability to terrorist attack during transportation
 - Potential groundwater contamination
 - Continued existence of vegetated area on southern boundary of site
 - Degradation of Cape Fear River
- In addition, two commenters suggested NRC consider alternate forms of transportation, such as rail and barge, and two suggested NRC require GEH to install public water and sewer lines. Several commenters spoke in support of the proposed facility.

Review Issues

- On May 8, 2009, NRC granted an exemption to GEH to allow GEH to begin pre-construction activities without an NRC license. (b)(5)

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Milestones

DWMEP

NMSS

Receive Environmental Report	01/30/09 (c)	Receive Application	06/30/09
Complete Acceptance Review	03/12/09 (c)	Acceptance Review	07/14/09
Begin Scoping Comment Period	04/09/09 (c)		
Public Scoping Meeting	05/19/09 (c)		
End Public Scoping Period	08/31/09		
Issue RAIs	10/14/09	Issue RAIs	10/30/09
Complete Preliminary Draft EIS	10/30/09		
Publish Draft EIS for Comment	03/31/10		
Draft EIS Public Comment Meeting	04/30/10		
Publish Final EIS	12/31/10	Complete SER	12/31/10
Complete Hearing	12/31/11	Complete Hearing	12/31/11