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NRC ANNOUNCES OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING ON LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION OF NUCLEAR FUEL SERVICES, INC.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued a notice of opportunity to request a hearing on the license renewal application for the uranium fuel fabrication facility operated by Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc., (NFS) in Erwin, Tenn.

NFS submitted its request to renew its license by letters dated June 30 and Aug. 28, 2009. Approval of the request would allow NFS to continue producing nuclear reactor fuel using high-enriched and low-enriched uranium for an additional 40 years. NFS's current license expired July 31, 2009, but remains in effect under NRC regulations because NFS submitted its renewal application before the expiration date.

A notice of opportunity to request a hearing on the NFS application was published Oct. 6 in the *Federal Register* (74 FR 51323). The notice includes detailed instructions for requesting a hearing through the NRC's E-filing system. The deadline for requesting a hearing is Dec. 7.

The NRC staff's technical review of the license renewal application will be documented in a Safety Evaluation Report and an Environmental Assessment.

The NFS letters and NRC's Sept. 3 acceptance of the application for technical review, are available in the NRC's online ADAMS document database at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>, by adding ML091900061, ML092450469, and ML091450265 in the search field.

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