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Mr. Charles L. Miller, Director  
Office of Federal & State Materials & Environmental Management Programs  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Miller:

Together with the Nuclear Information Resource Service (NIRS), the Sierra Club requests that the deadline for commenting on the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) for renewal of Nuclear Fuel Services's (NFS) Special Nuclear Materials license be extended by 90 days.

This request is being made because the Draft EA is addressing an unprecedented, proposed action -- relicensing of a fuel facility for 40 years -- which we believe deserves more than the typical 30-day comment period generally allowed for much more routine federal actions.

Further, the public takes very seriously its responsibility to peer review the NRC's Draft EA, to check the report's citations, and to ground truth some NFS assertions cited by NRC in the Draft EA. To that end, the Sierra Club is working with the Christian Peacemaker Teams and academic scientists who are analyzing dozens of soil, sediment and water samples collected up and downstream of NFS throughout the Nolichucky River basin. The final analysis of this extensive sampling will not be complete until the end of January 2011.

Therefore, the Sierra Club, with the concurrence of NIRS, requests that the public be given until Friday, February 11, 2011 to submit their comments on the Draft EA.

Respectfully,

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