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SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY REGARDING THE UNIVERSITY  
OF MISSOURI, COLUMBIA'S REQUEST FOR ALTERNATIVE  
SCHEDULE FOR DECOMMISSIONING

On June 23, 2011, representatives of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) held a public meeting in Columbia, Missouri regarding the University of Missouri, Columbia's license amendment request for an alternative schedule for decommissioning of Pickard Hall. Attachment 1 lists the meeting attendees.

The public meeting notice was issued on June 7, 2011, and was posted on the NRC's external (public) web page (ADAMS Accession No. ML111580553). The notice included the meeting agenda, which was also available as a handout at the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to: (1) summarize the University of Missouri's license amendment request; (2) describe opportunities on how to participate in the review process and ways to provide comments; and (3) provide opportunity for public questions.

#### Alternative Schedule Request for Decommissioning

In opening remarks, the NRC staff stated that the NRC is in the process of reviewing an alternative schedule for decommissioning license amendment request from the University of Missouri, Columbia, to change the required date of submittal of a decommissioning plan of Pickard Hall. The NRC provided an overview of the residual radioactivity identified at Pickard Hall and how the NRC gained regulatory authority over the material identified in the building following the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The NRC presented the results of the reactive inspection and confirmatory survey conducted in January 2010, which concluded the building was safe for use by students, staff, and the public since the university's radiological controls conducted under their NRC license were adequate to ensure public's health and safety and that no NRC dose limits had been exceeded.

Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 30.36 requires a decommissioning plan or a request for an alternative schedule to be submitted within 1 year of notification of a building no longer conducting NRC licensed activities but contains residual radioactivity in excess of the NRC's release limits. University of Missouri provided notification that Pickard Hall falls under

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NRC decommissioning requirements on November 17, 2009. In accordance with 10 CFR 30.36, the university submitted an alternative schedule to postpone submittal of a decommissioning plan to a future date, with a proposed new review date of January 2014.

The NRC staff members presented the requirements for the approval of an alternative schedule and the process for which this request will be reviewed. The NRC staff stated that the university's request is currently undergoing NRC technical review. The NRC has not made a decision regarding the university's request. NRC's presentation slides can be found in ADAMS (ML11178A109).

#### University of Missouri Remarks

Peter Ashbrook, the University of Missouri Director of Environmental Health and Safety, provided university remarks regarding the university's request for an alternative schedule. Mr. Ashbrook summarized the past and current controls the university has used to ensure the safety of the individuals in the building. Mr. Ashbrook also provided an overview of the university's request and justification for requesting an alternative time schedule. The university's amendment request can be found in ADAMS (ML110540477).

#### Opportunities to Participate and Provide Comments

The NRC staff summarized the ways that stakeholders and members of the public may become involved with the NRC review of the university's request. First, the NRC stated that public may submit comments by either mailing them to Cindy Bladey, Chief of Rules, Announcements, and Directive Branch at the Office of Administration, Mail Stop TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555-0001 or fax to Rules, Announcements, and Directive Branch at 301-492-3446. Public comments must be submitted by July 5, 2011. The NRC also stated that the instructions to request a hearing may be found in the Federal Register, Volume 76, page 26322.

#### Public Participation

University museum staff provided the NRC with comments regarding the university's request. Comments included concerns of the uncertainty of the effects the residual radiation has on historic artifacts in the museum and the length of time stated in the university's request for submittal of a decommissioning plan. The NRC staff thanked the public for the comments but

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FOR AN ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULE FOR DECOMMISSIONING

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2011

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