

Telephone Conversation Record

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Materials Control, ISFSI, and Decommissioning Branch (MCID)

Date of Call: November 2, 2012

SUBJECT: CALL BETWEEN NRC AND LICENSEE ON STATUS OF APTUIT
DECOMMISSIONING PLAN REVIEW (MAIL CONTROL NO. 579062)

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Region III discussed the Aptuit, LLC Scientific Operations (Mail Control No. 579062) (licensee) Decommissioning Plan (DP) received by letter dated August 30, 2012 (ML12248A095). The NRC informed the licensee that the review team had completed the DP acceptance review and found it acceptable for full technical review. The NRC also stated that this conclusion would be communicated formally in a letter to them in the near future.

The NRC explained the next steps of the DP review process as follows:

- Publication in the Federal Register, and in local media, of a notice announcing the receipt of the DP, offering the opportunity for a hearing, and soliciting public comments (with a 60 day comment period);
- Initiation of the full technical review, including an environmental review; and
- If required, issuance of requests for additional information (RAIs) to support the review of the DP (estimated to occur on or about January of 2013).

The NRC also explained the steps that must occur at the conclusion of the DP technical review as follows:

- Documentation of the DP review in a Safety Evaluation Report;
- Issuance of the results of the environmental review through a Federal Register Notice;
- Issuance of a license amendment incorporating the DP into the license; and
- Issuance of a Federal Register Notice announcing the approval of the DP by license amendment.

The NRC also reminded the licensee that they will be billed at full cost for the technical review of the DP as described in 10 CFR 170.31, "Schedule of Materials Fees", under table item 14.A. which states in part that byproduct material licenses and other approvals authorizing decommissioning, decontamination, reclamation, or site restoration activities under part 30 are full cost fee recoverable.

Finally, the NRC discussed the need to make the DP available for public viewing in the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) and the fact that the submitted DP (ML12248A095) contained an appendix which had been marked proprietary. The NRC provided the licensee the guidance and requirements to follow if they would like a document submitted to the NRC to be withheld from public disclosure. The guidance is found in NRC regulatory issue summary 2004-11, accessible from the NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/gen-comm/reg-issues/2004/ri200411.pdf>. The requirements describing the process to request withholding a document from public disclosure are found in 10 CFR 2.390(b).

After the conversation, the licensee responded via email stating that none of the contents of the submitted DP were considered proprietary. Therefore, on a second call on November 2, 2012 the NRC RIII staff requested that the licensee remove the proprietary markings from the appendix and either:

- Resend only the pages of the appendix; or
- Resend the DP in its entirety.

No further discussion. End of conversation Record.