

May 7, 2015

The Honorable Cindy Evans
Hawaii House of Representatives
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 438
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Representative Evans:

Thank you for your suggestions and interest in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) public outreach activities related to the U.S. Army's NRC Source Materials License (SUC-1593) for possession of depleted uranium from the Davy Crockett weapon system, including at Schofield Barracks and the Pohakuloa Training Area in Hawaii. In your March 24, 2015, letter, you suggested the NRC staff should try to schedule future meetings to accommodate the time difference between the East Coast and Hawaii and that the NRC update its list of interested parties to notify about meetings or activities related to the two Hawaii sites on the license. You also offered to assist in updating the outreach list.

When the March 24 meeting was scheduled to discuss the Army's plan to submit a license amendment application, the NRC staff was unaware that the Army planned to include the two sites in Hawaii. Once we realized some of the agenda might be relevant to the Hawaii sites, we rescheduled the meeting for a later hour to allow interested parties in Hawaii to participate. It is always our practice to schedule meetings to permit maximum participation by public stakeholders. Now that it seems likely the Army will include the Hawaii sites in its license amendment application, we intend to schedule the agendas for any future meetings in such a way that discussion of the Hawaii facilities will occur during local business hours in Hawaii.

Our staff does maintain an e-mail notification list for this license, and anyone may ask to be added to it. Those on the list were notified in advance of the March 24 meeting. During meetings, we typically mention the e-mail list and provide a contact name for anyone wishing to have their name added. We should point out that as a matter of policy, the NRC considers contact information for e-mail lists to be public information and will not protect it as personally identifiable information. We welcome additional names and addresses you suggest we add to this list, but we ask you to inform those persons of our policy on personally identifiable information.

All of our public meetings are announced at least 10 days in advance on the Public Meeting Schedule page of our Web site, www.nrc.gov. This page gives anyone – whether or not they are on a particular e-mail list – advance notice of meetings and information on how to participate.

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The NRC considers public involvement in our activities to be a cornerstone of strong, fair regulation of the nuclear industry. We recognize your interest and the public's interest in the proper regulation of nuclear activities, and we strive to provide ample opportunity for citizens to be heard. Again, thank you for your suggestions and interest in this license.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Ms. Amy Snyder, Senior Project Manager. She can be reached at 301-415-6822, or Amy.Snyder@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Catherine Haney, Director
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