

**U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Nuclear Waste Fund Expenditures
October 2019**

During the month of October 2019, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) expended \$485 of Nuclear Waste Fund (NWF) funds on its actions in direct response to the court's decision. Cumulative expenditures since the August 13, 2013, U.S. Court of Appeals decision are \$13,117,100. The August 13, 2013, balance of \$13,549,315 of unexpended NWF funding, less the cumulative expenditures of \$13,117,100, results in a remaining unexpended balance of \$432,215. Total unobligated NWF funds remaining as of October 31, 2019, are \$405,992. Table 1 provides further details on the NRC's expenditure of NWF funds since August 13, 2013.

| Table 1 Status of NRC NWF Funds since the August 13, 2013, Court Decision | | | |
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| Yucca Mountain Licensing Activities | Cost Estimate | October Expenditures | Cumulative Expenditures |
| Completion of the safety evaluation report (SER) | \$8,310,000 | \$0 | \$8,364,877 |
| Loading of Licensing Support Network documents into a nonpublic Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) library | \$350,000 | \$0 | \$277,670 |
| Loading of Licensing Support Network documents into a public ADAMS library | \$1,100,000 | \$0 | \$1,142,745 |
| Development of the Environmental Impact Statement supplement | \$2,000,000 | \$0 | \$1,579,256 |
| SER wrap-up activities | \$100,000 | \$0 | \$53,548 |
| Knowledge management reports | \$700,000 | \$0 | \$657,142 |
| Program planning and support | | \$485 | \$507,594 |
| Response to the August 30, 2013, Commission order | | \$0 | \$137,518 |
| Federal court litigation* | | \$0 | \$268,974 |
| Support and advice in NRC proceedings | | \$0 | \$37,089 |
| Subtotal, other support costs chargeable to NWF funds | \$825,000 | \$485 | \$951,175 |
| Virtual meeting of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel (LSNARP) and information-gathering about potential adjudicatory hearing venues | \$135,000 | \$0 | \$104,448 |
| Adjustments to close out contracts funded by previous NWF appropriations | | \$0 | (\$13,761) |
| Total | \$13,520,000 | \$485 | \$13,117,100 |

*Includes a \$59,000 expenditure in May 2014 for the agency's agreement to settle the Equal Access to Justice Act claim of one of the *Aiken County* petitioners. On October 23, 2014, the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit denied the motion from other parties requesting reimbursement for attorneys' fees.

The unexpended NWF balance of \$432,215 includes \$26,223 of unexpended obligations. These unexpended obligations are primarily on contracts with the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses and on contracts related to the LSNARP virtual meeting.