

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Mr. Sid Cooke 1061 S.W. Washington #206 Corvallis, Oregon 97330

Dear Mr. Cooke:

Thank you for your request for information on the rules, regulations and licensing process for commercial marine nuclear vessels. Any application to NRC in this regard must comply with all applicable regulations in 10 CFR, Energy, specifically Parts 50 and 51. For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of the applicable parts of 10 CFR. It is my understanding that, for an action such as you describe, you must also satisfy the requirements of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation as set forth in 46 CFR, Shipping.

In addition, you may wish to contact the NRC Public Document Room (Lynn Scattolini, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20555) to obtain information relating to licensing actions on the NS Savannah (Docket Numbers 50-232 and 50-238). This information may give you some background for your proposed licensing action. Further information on marine applications of nuclear power, particularly as they pertain to NEPA, may be found under Docket Number 50-437, Floating Nuclear Plants, also available at the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Harold R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation