

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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LICENSEE: Combustion Engineering, Inc.

Windsor, Connecticut

SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT: APPLICATION DATED APRIL 5, 1994,

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Background

Combustion Engineering (CE) is in the process of decontaminating and decommissioning its Windsor commercial nuclear fuel manufacturing facility and has submitted a Decommissioning Plan to the NRC in support of the activity. The Plan is currently under NRC review. In the interim, CE has initiated decontamination activities under the conditions and requirements of License SNM-1067. Because CE plans to shutdown the Buildings 17/21 complex from April 5 through May 5, 1994, by letter dated April 5, 1994, CE requested a 30-day suspension of certain administrative and radiological surveillance requirements.

Discussion

CE indicated that during the suspension period, special nuclear material will be secure and will not be moved or handled. Because the complex is shutdown, CE has requested the temporary suspension of certain surveillance requirements including:

- 1) Inspecting the conduct of facility operations
- 2) Reviewing radiation work permits
- 3) Analyzing the ventilation air exhaust, direction of airflow, pressure drop for ventilation systems, and hood face velocities
- 4) Contamination surveys
- 5) Routine inspections
- 6) FNMCP and critical procedure requirements
- 7) Emergency Plan surveillance, training, and similar nonemergency requirements

The staff has reviewed CE's request and found the changes to be acceptable.

Categorical Exclusion

These changes are considered administrative in nature. The staff has determined that the proposed changes do not adversely affect the public health and safety or the environment. Therefore, in accordance with 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11), neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is warranted for this action.

Conclusion

The staff concludes that the proposed temporary suspension of certain administrative and radiological surveillance requirements for the Buildings 17/21 complex during a planned shutdown will have no adverse effect on the public health and safety or the environment. Approval of the application is recommended.

The Region I staff has no objection to this licensing action.

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