

VOID SHEET

TO: License Fee Management Branch

FROM: Region IV

SUBJECT: VOIDED APPLICATION

Control Number: 466477

Applicant: VA, Oklahoma City (35-01526-04)

Date Voided: 8/1/97

Reason for Void: Decommissioning Notification -
not a amendment

Vivian N. Campbell 8/1/97
signature date

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Voided Action

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- Fee Exempt or Fee Not Required



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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV

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ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-8064

August 1, 1997

Department of Veterans Affairs
ATTN: Steven J. Gentling, Director
921 Northeast 13th Street
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73104-5028

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF CESSATION OF LICENSED ACTIVITIES IN BUILDING 4

Letter dated July 23, 1997, informed NRC of your intent to decommission Building 4 and release the facility for unrestricted use. The NRC has specific requirements as specified in 10 CFR 30.36 for decommissioning facilities. The information outlined below may be helpful in understanding these requirements.

Licensees that used only sealed sources, and the most recent leak test demonstrates that the sources did not leak while in the licensee's possession (i.e., if leak test results have been $<0.005 \mu\text{Ci}$); or used relatively short-lived radioactive material (i.e., $T_{1/2} \leq 60$ days) in an unsealed form and the maximum activity authorized under the license has decayed to less than the quantity specified in 10 CFR Part 20, Appendix C should:

1. Demonstrate to NRC that the sources never leaked, while both in your custody and upon arrival at the ultimate destination (i.e., by leak test records) or that the maximum activity of radioactive material authorized under your license has decayed to less than the quantity specified in 10 CFR Part 20, Appendix C;
2. Remove licensed material from the facility in accordance with NRC requirements;

If you possessed and used only sealed sources, but cannot demonstrate that the sources did not leak while in your possession (i.e., leak tests are not available or indicate contamination $>0.005 \mu\text{Ci}$); or possessed unsealed radioactive material with $T_{1/2} \leq 60$ days but the maximum activity authorized under the license had not decayed to less than the quantity specified in 10 CFR Part 20, Appendix C; or possessed unsealed radioactive material with $T_{1/2} > 60$ days but ≤ 120 days you should:

1. Determine the extent of contamination at your facility;
2. Remove residual radioactive material to levels that would permit release of the facility;
3. Remove licensed material from the facility in accordance with NRC requirements, by relocating material to another storage area at your location of use, returning sealed sources to the manufacturer or disposing of licensed material as outlined in the NRC regulations;
4. Determine the radiological status of your facility and perform further remediation, if necessary to meet NRC's criteria (See Attachment 3 for a description of the surveys that should be performed for licensees meeting the criteria discussed above).

5. Submit the results of a survey of your facility demonstrating that residual radioactive material levels meet the NRC's criteria for unrestricted use or demonstrate that your facility, or portion of the facility, meets NRC's criteria for unrestricted use to NRC by another means;
6. Please note that if leak test results indicate a presence of 0.005 μCi or more of removable contamination, you must file a report with NRC in accordance with 10 CFR 30.50(b)(2) and 35.49.

If you satisfy either of the following conditions, you may be required to submit a Decommissioning Plan to NRC for review and approval prior to commencing decommissioning operations:

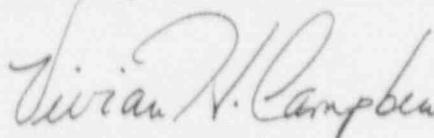
1. A Decommissioning Plan is required by license condition, or;
2. The procedures and activities necessary to carry out the decommissioning have not been approved by the Commission and these procedures could increase the potential health and safety impacts to the workers or the public.

10 CFR 30.36(g)(1) describes several cases when submission of a Decommissioning Plan is required, such as when:

- Procedures would involve techniques not applied routinely during cleanup or maintenance operations;
- Workers would be entering areas not normally occupied where surface contamination and radiation levels are significantly higher than routinely encountered during operation;
- Procedures could result in significantly greater airborne concentrations of radioactive materials than are present during operation; or
- Procedures could result in significantly greater releases of radioactive material to the environment than those associated with operation.

When you reply to this letter, please identify the license and docket numbers specified below on your submittal. If you have questions or require clarification on any of the information discussed, you should contact a member of the Licensing Staff at (817) 860-8100.

Sincerely,



Vivian H. Campbell
Senior Radiation Specialist
Nuclear Materials Licensing Branch

Docket: 030-02873

License: 35-00526-04

Enclosures.

1. 10 CFR Part 30
2. Information That Should Be Submitted to NRC Staff for Decommissioning & Termination of Licensed Facilities
3. Survey Information to Support License Termination
4. NMSS Handbook for Decommissioning Fuel Cycle and Materials Licensees
5. Section 5.0, NUREG/CR-5849, Manual for Conducting Radiological Surveys in Support of License Termination
6. Guidelines for Decontamination of Facilities and Equipment Prior to Release for Unrestricted Use or Termination of Licenses for Byproduct, Source, or Special Nuclear Material

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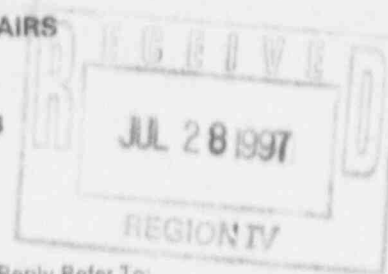
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In Reply Refer To:

July 23, 1997

United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region IV
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Arlington, Texas 76011-8064

RE: License #35-00526-04

Dear Sir/Madam:

We are requesting your permission to decommission a small one story building (Building 4). It housed several research laboratories using small quantities of radioactive materials. This building is detached from the main facility.


Radioactive materials used in this building were H-3, C-14, I-125, Ca-45 and P-32. The possession limits were less than 50 mCi for a radioisotope.

All authorized users of radioactive materials moved out of the building several years ago. The last authorized user vacated on April 3, 1996. Wipe testing for radioactive contamination and radiation surveys were done.

Please let our Radiation Safety Officer (Robert Y.L. Chu, Ph.D.) know what information you need to decommission this building.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,


STEVEN J. GENTLING
DIRECTOR

cc: Chief, Engineering Service (138)
Associate Chief of Staff, Research Service (151)

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