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List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Standardized NUHOMS® -24P, -52B, -61BT, -32PT, -24PHB, and -24PTH Revision; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Direct final rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is withdrawing a direct final rule that would have revised the NUHOMS® -24P, -52B, -61BT, -32PT, -24PHB, and -24PTH cask system listing within the list of approved spent fuel storage casks to include Amendment No. 8 to Certificate of Compliance (CoC) Number 1004. The NRC is taking this action because the NRC staff has become aware of changes in the Technical Specifications (TS) associated with this CoC. A notice withdrawing the companion proposed rule is published in the proposed rule section of this Federal Register.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6 day of July, 2005.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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