

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**

INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND US ARMY GARRISON ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL 1 ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS 61299-5000

April 08, 2016

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

Office of the Garrison Commander

Mr. James Smith, Project Manager Mailstop T8F5 US Nuclear Regulatory Commission DERDIR, DURWP, NMSS One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville MD 20851

SUBJECT: Decommissioning Timeliness for Jefferson Proving Ground Nuclear Regulatory Commission License SUB-1435

Dear Mr. Smith:

Reference US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) license number SUB-1435 (Docket 040-08838) issued to the United States Department of Army, Rock Island Arsenal, for the possession of residual Depleted Uranium (DU) at Jefferson Proving Ground, Indiana. Provided as an enclosure is Nuclear Regulatory Commission Form 313 for license SUB-1435.

The US Army has reconsidered its approach to the continued operation of Jefferson Proving Ground (JPG) material license SUB-1435. In a letter dated February 18, 2016, the Army had indicated that it did not believe a timely decommissioning, under 10 CRF 40.42(d)(2), was applicable to the license SUB-1435. However, upon further consideration the US Army has determined it is in the best interest of the US Army and the public to pursue an exemption from a timely decommissioning under 10 CFR 40.42(d)(2).

To achieve this objective, the US Army requests an alternate decommissioning schedule per 40.42(i), i.e., an exemption from a timely decommissioning. In support of this exemption request, the US Army will begin developing a justification per 40.14(a).

This justification will demonstrate that the environmental and occupational risks of decommissioning JPG currently outweigh the benefits of that action. Further, the US Army will begin engaging the NRC in pre-application meetings to ensure the development and content of the exemption request conform to NRC guidance and expectations.

If you have any question concerning this letter, please contact Dr. Robert Cherry, the US Army Radiation Safety Officer for License SUB-1435. He can be reached at 210-466-0368 or Robert.N.Cherry.civ@mail.mil

Sincerely,

Elmer Speights Jr.

Colonel, Armor

Garrison Commander

Enclosure:

NRC Form 313 for license SUB-1435.

NRC FORM 313 (02-2016) 10 CFR 30, 32, 33, 34 U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

APPROVED BY OMB: NO. 3150-0120

EXPIRES: 02/29/2010

35, 36, 37, 39, and 40

APPLICATION FOR MATERIALS LICENSE

Estimated burden per response to comply with this mandatory collection request: 4.3 hours. Submittal of the application is necessary to determine that the applicant is qualified and that adequate procedures exist to protect the public health and safety. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the FOIA, Privacy, and Information Collections Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by e-mail to Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0120), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

INSTRUCTIONS: SEE THE APPROPRIATE LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING APPLICATION. SEND TWO COPIES OF THE ENTIRE COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE NRC OFFICE SPECIFIED BELOW. \*AMENDMENTS/RENEWALS THAT INCREASE THE SCOPE OF THE EXISTING LICENSE TO A NEW OR HIGHER FEE CATEGORY WILL REQUIRE A FEE.

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SEND APPLICATIONS TO:

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PERSONS LOCATED IN AGREEMENT STATES SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ONLY IF THEY WISH TO POSSESS AND USE LICENSED MATERIAL IN STATES SUBJECT TO U.S.NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION JURISDICTIONS.

THIS IS AN APPLICATION FOR (Check appropriate item)						NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Include ZIP code)				
B. AMENDMENT TO LICENSE NUMBER SUB-1435						Colonel Elmer Speights, Jr. US Army Garrison Rock Island Arsenal (IMRI-ZA) 1 Rock Island Arsenal Rock Island, IL 61299-5000				
3. ADDRESS WHERE LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED OR POSSESSED						4. NAME OF PERSON TO BE CONTACTED ABOUT THIS APPLICATION				
						Robert Cherry, Radiation Safety Officer				
						TELEPH	ONE NUMBER	BUSINESS CELLULAR TELEPHONE NUMBER		
Jefferson Proving Ground Madison, IN 47250-51000						(210)	466-0368	(210) 313-0952		
						BUSINESS EMAIL ADDRESS				
						Robert.N.Cherry.civ@mail.mil				
SUBMIT ITEMS 5 THROUGH 11 ON 8-1/2 X 11" PAPER. THE TYPE AND SCOPE OF INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED IS DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDE.										
5. RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL					PURPOSE(S) FOR WHICH LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED.					
<ul> <li>Element and mass number; b. chemical and/or physical form; and c. maximum amount which will be possessed at any one time.</li> </ul>					INDIVIDUAL(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM AND THEIR TRAINING EXPERIENCE.					
8. TRAINING FOR INDIVIDUALS WORKING IN OR FREQUENTING RESTRICTED AREAS.						9. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.				
10. RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM.						11. WASTE MANAGEMENT.				
12. LICENSE FEES (Fees required only for new applications, with few exceptions*) (See 10 CFR 170 and Section 170.31)						GORY		AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$		
13. CERTIFICATION. (Must be completed by applicant) THE APPLICANT UNDERSTANDS THAT ALL STATEMENTS AND REPRESENTATIONS MADE IN THIS APPLICATION ARE BINDING UPON THE APPLICANT.										
THE APPLICANT AND ANY OFFICIAL EXECUTING THIS CERTIFICATION ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT, NAMED IN ITEM 2, CERTIFY THAT THIS APPLICATION IS PREPARED IN CONFORMITY WITH TITLE 10, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, PARTS 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, AND 40, AND THAT ALL INFORMATION CONTANED HEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.  WARNING: 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1001 ACT OF JUNE 25, 1948 62 STAT. 749 MAKES IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO MAKE A WILLFULLY FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION TO ANY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES AS TO ANY MATTER WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION.										
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