

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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Docket No. 72-1050

WASTE CONTROL SPECIALISTS LLC)
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(Consolidated Interim Storage Facility))
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ORDER

On January 30, 2017, the NRC provided notice in the *Federal Register* of Waste Control Specialists, LLC's (WCS) license application to construct and operate a consolidated interim waste storage facility.¹ The *Federal Register* notice set a deadline of March 31, 2017, for members of the public to file a request for a hearing and petition for leave to intervene on WCS's application

The Sierra Club, the Sustainable Energy and Economic Development (SEED) Coalition, and the Nuclear Information and Resource Service (NIRS) each requested a 120-day extension to file hearing requests.² The Sierra Club later withdrew its original request and re-filed a joint

¹ Waste Control Specialists LLC's Consolidated Interim Spent Fuel Storage Facility Project, 82 Fed. Reg. 8773 (Jan. 30, 2017).

² *Sierra Club's Motion for Extension of Time to Intervene in Licensing Proceeding* (Mar. 2, 2017) (ADAMS accession no. ML17062A897); *Sustainable Energy and Economic Development Coalition (SEED Coalition) Request for Extension of 120 Days for Submission of Hearing Requests and Petitions to Intervene* (Mar. 7, 2017) (ML17080A493); *Nuclear Information and Resource Service and Nineteen other Organization's Request for Extension on Deadline* (Mar. 9, 2017) (ML17069A492). The NRC Staff and WCS oppose the SEED Coalition and NIRS requests. See *Waste Control Specialists LLC's Answer Opposing Nuclear Information and Resource Service's Letter Requesting an Extension of Time and Proposing Approval of Alternative Briefing Schedule* (Mar. 17, 2017) (ML17076A365); *Waste Control Specialists LLC's Answer Opposing Sustainable Energy and Economic Development Coalition's Request for an Extension of Time and Proposing Approval of Alternative Briefing Schedule* (Mar. 23, 2017) (ML17082A426); *NRC Staff's Response to the Nuclear Information and Resource Service's Motion for an Extension of Time to Request a Hearing* (Mar. 20, 2017) (ML17079A534); *NRC*

motion with WCS requesting a revised schedule that would extend the deadline for filing all hearing requests by 61 days, to May 31, 2017.³ This joint motion also proposes a briefing schedule for answers to be filed 44 days after the deadline for hearing petitions and for replies to be filed 7 days after the deadline for answers. The joint motion represents that the NRC Staff does not oppose this proposed schedule.

Given that the joint motion is unopposed, and in the interests of efficiency, pursuant to my authority in 10 C.F.R. § 2.346(b), I hereby grant all petitioners an extension of time until May 31, 2017, to file hearing requests on WCS's license application. The deadline for answers to timely hearing petitions shall be July 14, 2017. And the deadline for any replies shall be July 21, 2017.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

For the Commission

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Dated at Rockville, Maryland,
this 29th day of March, 2017

Staff's Response to the Sustainable Energy and Economic Development Coalition's Letter Requesting an Extension of Time to Request a Hearing (Mar. 23, 2017) (ML17082A441).

³ *Waste Control Specialists LLC and Sierra Club's Joint Motion for Revised Schedule Related to Hearing Requests (Mar. 13, 2017) (ML17072A498).*

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