

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

ACTION: EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT FOR DECOMMISSIONING OF THE SHIELDALLOY METALLURGICAL
CORPORATION CAMBRIDGE, OHIO, FACILITY

On July 25, 1996, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission announced in the Federal Register the availability for public comment of a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) that evaluates the potential environmental impacts and alternatives associated with Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation's (SMC) proposed approach for decommissioning the SMC facility in Cambridge, Ohio (61 FR 38789). The end of the comment period was stated to be ninety (90) days from the date on which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) notice was published in the Federal Register stating that the DEIS had been filed with the EPA. The EPA noticed availability of the DEIS on August 2, 1996 (61 FR 40414). Consequently, the end of the public comment period became October 31, 1996.

NRC has received several requests to extend the comment period for the DEIS. NRC's regulations in 10 CFR 51.73 permit the staff to grant reasonable requests for extensions of time of up to fifteen (15) days. In this case, the staff is granting a longer extension because of several requests to do so, including one from the State of Ohio. With this notice, NRC is granting a thirty (30) day extension of the comment period to November 30, 1996.

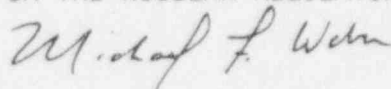
ADDRESSES FOR THE DEIS: A single copy of the DEIS (NUREG-1543) may be requested by those considering public comment by writing to the NRC Publications Section, ATTN.: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government

Printing Office, P.O. Box 37082, Washington, DC 20013-7082, or by calling 202-512-1800. A copy of the DEIS is available for inspection and/or copying in the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L St. NW., Washington, DC 20555-0001. A copy is also available for public inspection at the Guernsey County District Library, 800 Steubenville Avenue, Cambridge, Ohio 43725-2385.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of October 1996.

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