

May 25, 1973

Kerr-McGee
Hearing

SECY-R-695

For: The Commissioners

Subject: NOTICE OF HEARING: LICENSE AMENDMENT DENIAL

Purpose: To consider issuance of a Notice of Hearing on the denial of a requested license amendment.

Discussion: Kerr-McGee has requested an amendment to its source material license which would authorize deep well disposal of radioactive wastes resulting from the production of uranium hexafluoride. The request was denied on radiological health and safety grounds. The licensee has requested a hearing, to which it is entitled under 10 CFR 2.103 of the Commission's "Rules of Practice."

Recommendation: That the attached Notice of Hearing be approved for publication by the Commission in the Federal Register stating that a hearing will be held before an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, and that an Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board is authorized to exercise Commission's review authority.

Alternatives: (1) To use a Hearing Examiner instead of an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board.
(2) To retain the Commission's review authority instead of delegating to the Appeal Board.

Scheduling: For comments or approval by June 5, 1973.


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