

**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[Docket No. 72-1051; NRC-2018-0052]**

**Holtec International HI-STORE Consolidated Interim Storage Facility Project**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Draft environmental impact statement; public meeting; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** On March 20, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published in the *Federal Register (FR)* a notice issuing the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Holtec International's (Holtec's) application to construct and operate a consolidated interim storage facility (CISF) for spent nuclear fuel and Greater-Than Class C waste, along with a small quantity of mixed oxide fuel. The NRC is announcing the public comment webinars to receive comments on the draft report. The meetings will allow interested members of the public to submit their comments.

**DATES:** The NRC staff will hold a webinar on June 23, 2020. The staff will present the findings of the draft report and will receive public comments during transcribed public meetings. Members of the public are invited to submit comments by July 22, 2020. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received before this date.

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## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### **I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments**

#### **A. Obtaining Information**

Please refer to Docket ID **NRC-2018-0052** when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web site:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID **NRC-2018-0052**.
- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):** You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The draft EIS is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML20269G420.
- **NRC'S PDR:** The public may submit requests to the PDR via e-mail at [PDR.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:PDR.Resource@nrc.gov) or call 1-800-397-4209 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- **Project Web Page:** Information related to the Holtec HI-STORE CISF project can be accessed on the NRC's Holtec HI-STORE CISF Web page at <https://www.nrc.gov/waste/spent-fuel-storage/cis/holtec-international.html>. Scroll down to EIS, Draft Report for Comment.
- **Public Libraries:** A copy of the staff's draft EIS can be accessed at the following public libraries (library access and hours are determined by local policy):

- Carlsbad Public Library, 101 S. Halagueno Street, Carlsbad, NM 88220
- Hobbs Public Library, 509 N Shipp St., Hobbs, NM 88240
- Roswell Public Library, 301 N. Pennsylvania, Roswell, NM 88201

## **B. Submitting Comments**

Please include Docket ID **NRC-2018-0052** in your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at <https://www.regulations.gov> as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

## **II. Meeting Information**

On March 20, 2020 (85 FR 16150), the NRC published a notice of availability of a draft EIS for Holtec's proposed CISF for spent nuclear fuel and requested public comments on the draft report. On April 27, 2020 (85 FR 23382) the NRC published a notice extending the comment period to July 22, 2020. The NRC is announcing that staff will hold a public webinar. The webinar will be held online and will offer a telephone line for members of the public to submit comments. A court reporter will be recording all comments received during the webinar. The dates and times for the public webinar are as follow:

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Time</b>  | <b>Location</b>  |
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| 6/23/2020   | 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM<br>(EDT)<br>3:00 PM to 7:00 PM<br>(MDT) | Webinar Information: <a href="https://usnrc.webex.com">https://usnrc.webex.com</a><br>Event Number: 199 800 0026<br>Password: HOLTEC<br>Telephone Bridge Line: 1-888-454-7496<br>Participant Passcode: 5790355 |

Persons interested in attending this meeting should monitor the NRC's Public Meeting Schedule web page at <https://www.nrc.gov/pmns/mtg> for additional information, agendas for the meeting, and access information for the meeting. Participants should register in advance of the meeting by visiting the web site page (<https://usnrc.webex.com>) and using the event number provided above. A confirmation e-mail will be generated providing additional details and a link to the meeting.

Dated: June 8, 2020.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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