Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The applicant proposes to take photographs of named geographic features throughout the McMurdo Sound region. The photographs will illustrate a geographically arranged gazetteer or "field guide" to the features. The applicant proposes to enter the Barwick Valley, Victoria Land (ASPA #123) to fully document the Barwick Valley features which will benefit the scientific community in current and future work. Delineating data accompanying each photograph will include latitude, longitude, altitude, date, time, elevation, look direction, focal length and associated camera settings. The photographs and accompanying data will provide the potential for contemporary and future comparative studies of landscape change, thereby reducing need for access to the ASPA. The applicant proposes a single two day journey into the Barwick Valley and will fully comply with the designated management plan for the site.

In addition, the applicant proposes to enter Discovery Hut (ASPA #157), Cape Evans Historic Site (ASPA #154), and Hut and Associated Artifacts, Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds (ASPA #156) for the purpose of reproducing historic photos of the area for use in the described gazetteer.

Location

- ASPA #123—Barwick Valley, Victoria Land
- ASPA #154—Cape Evans Historic Site
- ASPA #156—Hut and associated artifacts, Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds, Ross Island
- ASPA #157—Discovery Hut, Hut Point, Ross Island

Dates

August 22, 2003 to February 15, 2004. 2. *Applicant*—Permit Application No. 2004–003, Mark Buckley, Multimedia Manager, Raytheon Polar Services Company, 7400 S. Tucson Way, Centennial, CO 80112.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas. The applicant is a member of Raytheon Polar Services Company, which is the prime civilian contractor to the U.S. Antarctic Program (USAP), and is tasked by the National Science Foundation (NSF) with video production in Antarctica. During the past several years, unprecedented ice conditions had adverse impact on penguin colonies in the McMurdo Sound and Ross Sea region. With the recent calving of C–19 and the influence

of B–15, it is expected that scientific interest and activities, as well as public interests will continue. Therefore the applicant proposes his staff of videographers be permitted to enter the Antarctic Specially Protected Areas of Beaufort Island (ASPA 105), New College Valley, Cape Bird (ASPA 116), Cape Royds, Ross Island (ASPA 121), and Cape Crozier, Ross Island (ASPA 124) for the purpose of taking "low impact" documentary film footage. The video team will accompany a similarly permitted researcher into the sites to film scientific research. Access to the sites will be dependent upon operational, scientific conditions, and availability of transportation.

Location

Beaufort Island (ASPA 105), New College Valley, Cape Bird (ASPA 116), Cape Royds, Ross Island (ASPA 121), and, Cape Crozier, Ross Island (ASPA 124).

Dates: October 1, 2003 to February 14, 2006.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs. [FR Doc. 03–13173 Filed 5–23–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. STN 50-454, STN 50-455, STN 50-456, STN 50-457]

Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Exelon Generation Company, LLC (the licensee) to withdraw its March 19, 2002, application as supplemented by their letters dated November 26, 2002, and March 13, 2003, for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-37 and NPF-66 for the Byron Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Ogle County, Illinois, and Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-72 and NPF-77 for the Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Will County, Illinois.

The proposed amendment would have revised the method of controlling the fuel cycle unfavorable exposure time (UET) related to an anticipated transient without scram (ATWS) event. Specifically, the proposed change would have deleted TS 5.6.5.b.5 and appropriately would have revised the discussion of an ATWS event in the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report, Section 15.8, "Anticipated Transient Without Scram."

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on June 25, 2002, (67 FR 42825). However, by letter dated March 13, 2003, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated March 19, 2002, as supplemented by their letter November 26, 2002, and the licensee's letter dated March 13, 2003, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/ adams/html. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737 or by email to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of May 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Mahesh Chawla,

Project Manager, Section 2, Project Directorate 3, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 030-18286]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for a License Amendment for Covance Laboratories, Madison, WI

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of an amendment to Covance Laboratories, Inc.'s (Covance) Byproduct Material License No. 48–11805–02, authorizing Covance to release its Deming Way facility located in Madison, Wisconsin, for unrestricted use. In December 1989, the NRC granted