

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-7580]

Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for License Amendment for Fansteel, Inc.— Muskogee, Oklahoma License No. SMB-911

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory
 Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of
 Environmental Assessment and Finding
 of No Significant Impact.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
 Commission (NRC) is considering the
 issuance of a license amendment to
 Material License Number SMB-911,
 issued to Fansteel, Inc. (the licensee), to
 authorize decommissioning of its
 facility located in Muskogee, Oklahoma.
 NRC has prepared an Environmental
 Assessment (EA) in accordance with the
 requirements of 10 CFR part 51 and to
 determine the environmental impacts of
 approving the decommissioning plan
 (DP), subsequent release of the site for
 unrestricted use (as defined in 10 CFR
 20.1402), and termination of the license.

II. EA Summary

The purpose of the proposed action is
 to authorize the decommissioning of
 Fansteel's Speciality Metals facility, in
 Muskogee, Oklahoma, for unrestricted
 use to allow for license termination. The
 Fansteel processing facility produced
 tantalum and columbium metals for
 approximately 33 years until operations
 ceased in 1990. The raw materials used
 for tantalum and columbium production
 contain uranium and thorium as
 naturally occurring trace constituents.

The concentration of radioactive species
 present in the process raw materials is
 sufficient to cause the ores and slags to
 be classified by the NRC as source
 material. Consequently, Fansteel
 operated under NRC License No. SMB-
 911 for the possession of source
 material. Fansteel was authorized by the
 NRC on March 25, 1997, to complete the
 processing of ore residues, calcium
 fluoride residues, and wastewater
 treatment residues containing uranium
 and thorium, in various site
 impoundments.

On July 24, 2003, Fansteel requested
 that NRC approve the DP for the facility,
 which when complete, would permit
 the site to be released for unrestricted
 use. Final approval for release of the site
 for unrestricted use and license
 termination would be contingent upon
 NRC approval of the licensee's final
 status survey report and making the
 findings required by the Commission's
 regulations following completion of the
 licensee's decommissioning activities.
 Fansteel's request for the proposed
 action was previously noticed in the
Federal Register on August 11, 2003 (68
 FR 47621), along with a notice of an
 opportunity to request a hearing and an
 opportunity to provide comments on the
 action and its environmental impacts.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The staff has prepared the EA in
 support of the proposed license
 amendment to decommission the site,
 terminate the license, and release the
 site for unrestricted use. On the basis of
 the EA, NRC has concluded that there
 are no significant environmental
 impacts from the proposed action, and
 the license amendment does not warrant
 preparation of an Environmental Impact
 Statement. It has been determined that
 a Finding of No Significant Impact
 (FONSI) is appropriate. The amendment
 will be issued following the publication
 of this Notice.

IV. Further Information

The EA and the documents related to
 this proposed action, including the
 application for the license amendment
 and supporting documentation, are
 available for inspection at NRC's Public
 Electronic Reading Room at [http://
 www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html](http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html) [ADAMS
 Accession Nos.: ML030240051,
 ML030240062, ML030240109,
 ML030240134, and ML030240432
 (Decommissioning Plan); ML032100530
 (request for license amendment);
 ML032100558 (revised
 Decommissioning Plan Sections 15.3-
 15.5); and ML033040204
 (Environmental Assessment, Finding of
 No Significant Impact). These

documents may also be examined, and/
 or copied for a fee, at the NRC Public
 Document Room (PDR), located at One
 White Flint North, 11555 Rockville
 Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day
 of October, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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 Management, Office of Nuclear Material
 Safety and Safeguards.*

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

*Upon Written Request, Copies Available
 From:* Securities and Exchange
 Commission, Office of Filings and
 Information Services, Washington, DC
 20549.

Extension:

- Rule 17Ad-11; SEC File No. 270-261;
 OMB Control No. 3235-0274.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant
 to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995
 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities
 and Exchange Commission
 ("Commission") is soliciting comments
 on the collection of information
 summarized below. The Commission
 plans to submit this existing collection
 of information to the Office of
 Management and Budget for extension
 and approval.

Rule 17Ad-11: Reports Regarding Aged Record Differences, Buy-ins, and Failure to Post Certificate Detail to Master Securityholder Files

Rule 17Ad-11 requires all registered
 transfer agents to report to issuers and
 the appropriate regulatory agency in the
 event that aged record differences
 exceed certain dollar value thresholds.
 An aged record difference occurs when
 an issuer's records do not agree with
 those of securityowners as indicated, for
 instance, on certificates presented to the
 transfer agent for purchase, redemption
 or transfer. In addition, the rule requires
 transfer agents to report to the
 appropriate regulatory agency in the
 event of a failure to post certificate
 detail to the master securityholder file
 within 5 business days of the time
 required by Rule 17Ad-10. Also,
 transfer agents must maintain a copy of
 each report prepared under Rule 17Ad-
 11 for a period of three years following
 the date of the report. These
 recordkeeping requirements assist the