

partial decision has been concluded,<sup>3</sup> unless the Commission or Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, upon its own initiative or upon motion by a party to the proceeding, finds that there exists significant new information that substantially affects the earlier conclusions and reopens the hearing record on site suitability issues. Upon good cause shown, the Commission may extend the five year period during which a partial decision shall remain in effect for a reasonable period of time not to exceed one year.

[42 FR 22885, May 5, 1977, as amended at 49 FR 9401, Mar. 12, 1984]

### Subpart G—Rules of General Applicability

#### § 2.700 Scope of subpart.

The general rules in this subpart govern procedure in all adjudications initiated by the issuance of an order pursuant to § 2.202, an order pursuant to § 2.205(e), a notice of hearing, a notice of proposed action issued pursuant to § 2.105, or a notice issued pursuant to § 2.102(d)(3). The procedures applicable to the proceeding on an application for a license to receive and possess high-level radioactive waste at a geologic repository operations area are set forth in subpart J.

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#### § 2.700a Exceptions.

(a) Consistent with 5 U.S.C. 554(a)(4) of the Administrative Procedure Act, the Commission may provide alternative procedures in adjudications to the extent that there is involved the conduct of military or foreign affairs functions.

(b) This rule shall apply to proceedings in progress where hearings have already been requested or ordered as well as to future proceedings.

[47 FR 4493, Feb. 1, 1982]

<sup>3</sup>The partial decision on site suitability issues shall be incorporated in the decision regarding issuance of a construction permit to the extent that it serves as a basis for the decision on a specific site issue(s).

#### § 2.701 Filing of documents.

(a) Documents shall be filed with the Commission in adjudications subject to this part either:

(1) By delivery to the NRC Public Document Room at 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, or

(2) By mail or addressed to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

(b) All documents offered for filing shall be accompanied by proof of service upon all parties to the proceeding or their attorneys of record as required by law or by rule or order of the Commission. The staff of the Commission shall be deemed to be a party.

(c) Filing by mail, telegram, or facsimile will be deemed to be complete as of the time of deposit in the mail or with a telegraph company or upon facsimile transmission.

[27 FR 377, Jan. 13, 1962, as amended at 29 FR 12830, Sept. 11, 1964; 33 FR 6708, May 2, 1968; 39 FR 35332, Oct. 1, 1974; 53 FR 43419, Oct. 27, 1988; 62 FR 27495, May 20, 1997; 64 FR 48948, Sept. 9, 1999]

#### § 2.702 Docket.

The Secretary shall maintain a docket for each proceeding subject to this part, commencing with the issuance of the initial notice of hearing, notice of consideration of issuance of facility operating license or other proposed action specified in § 2.105, or order. The Secretary shall maintain all files and records, including the transcripts of testimony and exhibits and all papers, correspondence, decisions and orders filed or issued.

[57 FR 4153, Feb. 4, 1992]

#### § 2.703 Notice of hearing.

(a) In a proceeding in which the terms of a notice of hearing are not otherwise prescribed by this part, the order or notice of hearing will state:

(1) The nature of the hearing, and its time and place, or a statement that the time and place will be fixed by subsequent order;

(2) The legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held;