

**§ 51.120 Availability of environmental documents for public inspection.**

Copies of environmental reports, draft and final environmental impact statements, environmental assessments, and findings of no significant impact, together with any related comments and environmental documents, will be made available at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov>, and/or at the NRC Public Document Room.

[64 FR 48952, Sept. 9, 1999]

**§ 51.121 Status of NEPA actions.**

Individuals or organizations desiring information on the NRC's NEPA process or on the status of specific NEPA actions should address inquiries to:

(a) *Utilization facilities*: ATTN: Document Control Desk, Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 415-1270, e-mail [RidsNrrOd@nrc.gov](mailto:RidsNrrOd@nrc.gov).

(b) *Production facilities*: ATTN: Document Control Desk, Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 415-7800, e-mail [RidsNmssOd@nrc.gov](mailto:RidsNmssOd@nrc.gov).

(c) *Materials licenses*: ATTN: Document Control Desk, Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 415-7800, e-mail [RidsNmssOd@nrc.gov](mailto:RidsNmssOd@nrc.gov).

(d) *Rulemaking*: ATTN: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (800) 368-5642, e-mail [NRCREP@nrc.gov](mailto:NRCREP@nrc.gov).

(e) *General environmental matters*: Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Telephone: (301) 415-1700.

[53 FR 13399, Apr. 25, 1988, as amended at 60 FR 24552, May 9, 1995; 68 FR 58811, Oct. 10, 2003]

**§ 51.122 List of interested organizations and groups.**

The NRC Office of Information Resources Management will maintain a master list of organizations and

groups, including relevant conservation commissions, known to be interested in the Commission's licensing and regulatory activities. The NRC Office of Information Resources Management with the assistance of the appropriate NRC staff director will select from this master list those organizations and groups that may have an interest in a specific NRC NEPA action and will promptly notify such organizations and groups of the availability of a draft environmental impact statement or a draft finding of no significant impact.

[49 FR 9381, Mar. 12, 1984, as amended at 52 FR 31612, Aug. 12, 1987; 54 FR 53316, Dec. 28, 1989]

**§ 51.123 Charges for environmental documents; distribution to public; distribution to governmental agencies.**

(a) *Distribution to public*. Upon written request to the Office of Information Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, e-mail [DISTRIBUTION@nrc.gov](mailto:DISTRIBUTION@nrc.gov), and to the extent available, single copies of draft environmental impact statements and draft findings of no significant impact will be made available to interested persons without charge. Single copies of final environmental impact statements and final findings of no significant impact will also be provided without charge to the persons listed in §§ 51.93(a) and 51.119(c), respectively. When more than one copy of an environmental impact statement or a finding of no significant impact is requested or when available NRC copies have been exhausted, the requestor will be advised that the NRC will provide copies at the charges specified in § 9.35 of this chapter.

(b) *Distribution to governmental agencies*. Upon written request to the Office of Information Services, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, e-mail [DISTRIBUTION@nrc.gov](mailto:DISTRIBUTION@nrc.gov), and to the extent available, copies of draft and final environmental impact statements and draft final findings of no significant impact will be made available in the number requested to Federal, State and local agencies, Indian Tribes, and State, regional, and metropolitan

clearinghouses. When available NRC copies have been exhausted, the requester will be advised that the NRC will provide copies at the charges specified in § 9.35 of this chapter.

(c) *Charges.* Charges for the reproduction of environmental documents by the NRC at locations other than the NRC Public Document Room located in Washington, DC vary according to location.

[50 FR 21037, May 22, 1985, as amended at 52 FR 31612, Aug. 21, 1987; 53 FR 43421, Oct. 27, 1988; 61 FR 9902, Mar. 12, 1996; 64 FR 48952, Sept. 9, 1999; 68 FR 58812, Oct. 10, 2003]

COMMENTING

**§ 51.124 Commission duty to comment.**

It is the policy of the Commission to comment on draft environmental impact statements prepared by other Federal agencies, consistent with the provisions of 40 CFR 1503.2 and 1503.3.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL

**§ 51.125 Responsible official.**

The Executive Director for Operations shall be responsible for overall review of NRC NEPA compliance, except for matters under the jurisdiction of a presiding officer, administrative judge, administrative law judge, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board, or the Commission acting as a collegial body.

APPENDIX A TO SUBPART A OF PART 51—  
FORMAT FOR PRESENTATION OF MATERIAL IN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS

1. General
2. Cover sheet
3. Summary
4. Purpose of and need for action
5. Alternatives including the proposed action
6. Affected environment
7. Environmental consequences and mitigating actions
8. List of preparers
9. Appendices

1. *General.*

(a) The Commission will use a format for environmental impact statements which will encourage good analysis and clear presentation of the alternatives including the proposed action. The following standard format for environmental impact statements should

be followed unless there is a compelling reason to do otherwise:

- (1) Cover sheet\*
- (2) Summary\*
- (3) Table of Contents
- (4) Purpose of and Need for Action\*
- (5) Alternatives including the proposed action\*
- (6) Affected Environment\*
- (7) Environmental Consequences and Mitigating Actions\*
- (8) List of Preparers\*
- (9) List of Agencies, Organizations and Persons to Whom Copies of the Statement are Sent
- (10) Substantive Comments Received and NRC Staff Responses
- (11) Index
- (12) Appendices (if any)\*

If a different format is used, it shall include paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (8), (9), (10), and (11) of this section and shall include the substance of paragraphs (4), (5), (6), (7), and (12) of this section, in any appropriate format.

Additional guidance on the presentation of material under the format headings identified by an asterisk is set out in sections 2.-9. of this appendix.

(b) The techniques of tiering and incorporation by reference described respectively in 40 CFR 1502.20 and 1508.28 and 40 CFR 1502.21<sup>1</sup> of CEQ's NEPA regulations may be used as appropriate to aid in the presentation of issues, eliminate repetition or reduce the size of an environmental impact statement. In appropriate circumstances, draft or final environmental impact statements prepared by other Federal agencies may be adopted in whole or in part in accordance with the procedures outlined in 40 CFR 1506.3<sup>2</sup> of CEQ's NEPA regulations. In final environmental impact statements, material under the following format headings will normally be presented in less than 150 pages: Purpose of and Need for Action, Alternatives Including the Proposed Action, Affected Environment, and Environmental Consequences and Mitigating Actions. For proposals of unusual scope or complexity, the material presented under these format headings may extend to 300 pages.

2. *Cover sheet.*

The cover sheet will not exceed one page. It will include:

(a) The name of the NRC office responsible for preparing the statement and a list of any cooperating agencies.

(b) The title of the proposed action that is the subject of the statement with a list of the states, counties or municipalities where

<sup>1</sup> *Tiering*—40 CFR 1502.20, 40 CFR 1508.28; *Incorporation by reference*—40 CFR 1502.21.

<sup>2</sup> *Adoption*—40 CFR 1506.3.