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NRC SEEKS COMMENT ON DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF NFS LICENSE RENEWAL; PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 26

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission seeks public comment on a draft Environmental Assessment and draft finding of no significant impact on the proposed renewal of the operating license of Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS), of Erwin, Tenn.

NRC staff will conduct a public meeting in Erwin on Oct. 26 to present the assessment's preliminary findings and receive comments from members of the public. The meeting will be held at the Erwin Town Hall, 211 North Main Ave., from 6-9 p.m. Agency staff members will conduct an informal open house from 5-6 p.m. to meet members of the public and answer individual questions, but discussions during the open house will not be transcribed and will not be considered formal comments.

NFS, a manufacturer of nuclear fuel for use in government operations and commercial domestic operations, submitted an application on June 30, 2009, for a renewal of its operating license for an additional 40 years.

The draft Environmental Assessment, conducted as part of the relicensing review, preliminarily concludes that renewing the NFS license for 40 years will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The draft Environmental Assessment, the draft finding of no significant impact, and a notice of the public meeting were published Oct. 15 in the *Federal Register*, and is available online at <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-25997.pdf>. Written comments will be accepted through Nov. 13, and may be submitted over the federal government's rulemaking website, <http://www.regulations.gov>, using Docket ID NRC-2009-0435, or by e-mail to NuclearFuel_DraftEA@nrc.gov. They may also be mailed to Cindy Bladey, Chief, Rules, Announcements and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555-0001, or faxed to 301-492-3446.

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