

**U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Nuclear Waste Fund Expenditures  
February 2023**

During the month of February 2023, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) incurred a \$2,824 net reduction in expenditures of Nuclear Waste Fund (NWF) funds on its actions in direct response to the U.S. Court of Appeals decision, due to an adjustment of prior month salary and benefits costs from estimated to actual costs. Cumulative expenditures since the August 13, 2013, decision are \$13,330,638. The August 13, 2013, balance of \$13,549,315 of unexpended NWF funding, less the cumulative expenditures, results in a remaining unexpended balance of \$218,677. Table 1 provides further details on the NRC's expenditure of NWF funds since August 13, 2013.

<b>Table 1 Status of NRC NWF Funds since the August 13, 2013, Court Decision</b>			
<b>Yucca Mountain Licensing Activities</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>	<b>February Expenditures</b>	<b>Cumulative Expenditures</b>
Completion of the safety evaluation report (SER)	\$8,310,000	\$0	\$8,364,877
Loading of Licensing Support Network documents into a nonpublic Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) library	\$350,000	\$0	\$277,670
Loading of Licensing Support Network documents into a public ADAMS library	\$1,100,000	\$0	\$1,142,745
Development of the Environmental Impact Statement supplement	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$1,579,256
SER wrap-up activities	\$100,000	\$0	\$53,548
Knowledge management reports (FY 2017)	\$700,000	\$0	\$659,719
Knowledge management (FY 2021)	\$164,000	\$0	\$123,809
Program planning and support		\$240	\$523,595
Response to the August 30, 2013, Commission order		\$0	\$137,518
Federal court litigation*		\$0	\$268,974
Support and advice in NRC proceedings		(\$3,064)	\$108,240
Subtotal, other support costs chargeable to NWF funds	\$825,000	(\$2,824)	\$1,038,327
Virtual meeting of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel and information-gathering about potential adjudicatory hearing venues	\$135,000	\$0	\$104,448
Adjustments to close out contracts funded by previous NWF appropriations		\$0	(\$13,761)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,684,000</b>	<b>(\$2,824)</b>	<b>\$13,330,638</b>

\*Includes a \$59,000 expenditure in May 2014, for the agency's agreement to settle the Equal Access to Justice Act claim of one of the *Aiken County* petitioners. On October 23, 2014, the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit denied the motion from other parties requesting reimbursement for attorneys' fees.

At this time, all Commission directed activities have been completed.

Enclosure