

3. *The form number if applicable:* Not applicable.

4. *How often the collection is required:* Monthly or within 30 days of receipt from licensee. Events that pose significant health and safety hazards—within the next working day of notification by an Agreement States licensee.

5. *Who will be required or asked to report:* Current Agreement States and any State receiving Agreement State status in the future.

6. *An estimate of the number of annual responses:* 620.

7. *The estimated number of annual respondents:* 32.

8. *An estimate of the total number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* 1,240 hours (an average of approximately 2.0 hours per response) for all existing Agreement States reporting; any new Agreement State would add approximately 19 event reports (including follow-up reports) per year or 38 burden hours.

9. *An indication of whether Section 3507(d), Pub. L. 104-13 applies:* N/A.

10. *Abstract:* NRC regulations require NRC licensees to report incidents and events involving the use of radioactive byproduct material, and source material, such as those involving radiation overexposures, leaking or contaminated sealed source(s), release of excessive contamination of radioactive material, lost or stolen radioactive material, equipment failures, abandoned well logging sources and medical events. Agreement State licensees are also required to report these events to their individual Agreement State regulatory authorities under compatible Agreement State regulations. NRC is requesting that the Agreement States provide information on the initial notification, response actions, and follow-up investigations on events involving the use of nuclear materials regulated pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act. The event information should be provided in a uniform electronic format, for assessment and identification of any facilities/site specific or generic safety concerns that could have the potential to impact public health and safety. The identification and review of safety concerns may result in proposals for changes or revisions to technical or regulatory designs, processes, standards, guidance or requirements.

A copy of the final supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-1 F21, Rockville, MD 20852. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide Web site: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/>

doc-comment/omb/index.html. The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer listed below by August 27, 2003. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given to comments received after this date. Bryon Allen, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0163), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3087.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo Shelton, 301-415-7233.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 21st day of July, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 040-00044]

Notice of Consideration of Request for License Termination of Rolls-Royce Corporation License and Release of Its Facility In Indianapolis, IN; Amendment and Opportunity to Provide Comments and Request a Hearing

ACTION: Notice of consideration of amendment request to terminate Source Material License No. STB-204 and release of facility for unrestricted use.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Peter J. Lee, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region III, 801 Warrenville Road, Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351; telephone (630) 829-9870 or by e-mail at pjl2@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering the issuance of an amendment to Rolls-Royce Corporation (Rolls-Royce) Source Material License No. STB-204, to terminate the License and release its facility located at 2355 South Tibbs Avenue in Indianapolis, Indiana, for unrestricted use. The site was initially licensed under the name of General Motors Corporation, Allison Division.

Other names on the license were Allison Gas Turbine Division, General Motors Corporation, and Allison Engine Company, Inc., prior to the license being amended to Rolls-Royce in February 2003. In December 1956, a license was approved for the fabrication of aircraft components made of magnesium alloy containing not to exceed 4 percent by weight of thorium. Fabrication of aircraft parts containing thorium continued until 1989. In 1994, the license was amended to allow possession incident to storage only for the licensed materials. On December 3, 2002, Rolls-Royce submitted its request to the NRC to terminate its license.

The NRC staff has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) in support of this licensing action in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 51. The conclusion of the EA is a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed licensing action.

II. EA Summary

The staff has examined Rolls-Royce's request and the information that the licensee has provided in support of its request, including the surveys performed by Rolls Royce to demonstrate compliance with 10 CFR 20.1402, "Radiological Criteria for Unrestricted Use," to ensure that the NRC's decision is protective of the public health and safety and the environment. All machining operations for the fabrication of aircraft parts containing thorium were conducted under "wet conditions," meaning drilling, grinding, burring, etc., were performed with the castings under oil/liquid coolants intended to prevent potential fires. This industry-wide method of machining not only prevents potential fires, it prevents contamination from airborne thorium dust. The thoriated magnesium cuttings, turnings, scraps, coolants, and clean-up debris were collected and sent off-site to a low-level radioactive waste disposal site.

The licensee's final status survey did not show any residual contamination in the facility. Therefore, the staff has determined that there will be no environmental impacts associated with the release for unrestricted use of the Rolls-Royce Corporation facility.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The staff has prepared the EA (summarized above) in support of Rolls-Royce's proposed license amendment to release the Indianapolis facility for unrestricted use. On the basis of the EA, the staff has concluded that the environmental impacts from the