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NRC CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON DECOMMISSIONING PLAN FOR VA'S OMAHA MEDICAL FACILITY REACTOR

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is soliciting comments from the public and state, local and tribal officials regarding a research/test reactor decommissioning plan submitted by the Department of Veterans Affairs' Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System. The operating license for the reactor was granted to the VA Medical Center in Omaha, Neb., in 1959. The reactor, with a power level of 20 kW, was permanently shut down in 2001.

Comments should be provided by Feb. 17, 2005 to: Patrick M. Madden, Chief, Research and Test Reactors Section, New, Research and Test Reactors Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Mail Stop 012-G13, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555-0001.

A copy of the decommissioning plan application (Accession Number ML042740512) is available electronically through the NRC's online library, ADAMS, at: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. Help in using ADAMS is available from the NRC Public Document Room, at (301) 415-4737 or (800) 397-4209.