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NRC COMPLETES RESTORATION OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS TO PUBLIC ACCESS VIA ITS ON-LINE LIBRARY

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission Friday completed the restoration of public access to an additional 70,000 documents through its on-line library, ADAMS, after conducting a security-sensitivity review. Members of the public are now able to access these documents, involving administrative, contractual, research and other documents not related to a specific licensee, which were removed from the public library on Oct. 25 of last year.

The documents may be viewed and retrieved through the NRC's Web-based ADAMS at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/web-based.html or by using CITRIX software at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/citrix-based.html. Using CITRIX allows earlier access, by perhaps a day, but requires downloading the appropriate software. Help in using Web-based ADAMS or CITRIX is available by contacting the NRC Public Document Room by phone at 800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail at pdr@nrc.gov. Links to many of these documents on the NRC's public Web site have also been restored; NRC staff are working to resolve information technology issues to restore the remaining links.

"We are pleased that the public will once again be able to obtain these documents," said Edward T. Baker, Director of the NRC's Office of Information Services. "While we are firmly supportive of openness in our regulatory process, it was important to remove these documents to conduct a security review and remove information that could potentially be of use to a terrorist."

The agency has previously restored access to about 163,000 non-sensitive documents. It continues to evaluate documents dealing with nuclear materials licensees.

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