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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40-09092; NRC-2013-0164]

AUC, LLC., Reno Creek Uranium In-Situ Recovery Project

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: License and record of decision; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued a license to AUC, LLC (AUC) for its Reno Creek Uranium *In-Situ* Recovery (ISR) Facility in Campbell County, Wyoming. Under conditions listed in the license, the Source and Byproduct Materials License SUA-1602 authorizes AUC to operate its facilities as proposed in its license application, as amended, and to possess uranium source and byproduct material at the Reno Creek ISR Facility. In addition, the NRC has published a record of decision (ROD) that supports the NRC's decision to approve AUC's license application for the Reno Creek ISR Facility and to issue the license.

DATES: [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Part 40 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), authorizes the NRC to issue a license to AUC for its Reno Creek Uranium *In-Situ* Recovery (ISR) Facility in Campbell County, Wyoming. Under conditions in the license, the Source and Byproduct Materials License SUA-1602 authorizes AUC to operate its facilities as proposed in its license application, as amended, and to possess uranium source and byproduct material at the Reno Creek ISR Facility. The NRC's ROD that supports the decision to approve AUC's license application for the Reno Creek ISR Facility and to issue the license is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML17011A195.

By letter dated October 3, 2012, AUC, LLC submitted a license application to the NRC for a Source and Byproduct Materials License for the *in-situ* extraction and recovery of uranium at its Reno Creek ISR Project in Campbell County, Wyoming. On November 30, 2012, the NRC staff acknowledged receipt of the application and noted that the application was placed in ADAMS) under Accession No. ML122890785. The NRC staff also noted that it could not commence its acceptance review until March 2013. The staff commenced the acceptance review in March 2013, and notified AUC on June 18, 2013, that the NRC staff had completed its acceptance review and found the application acceptable for detailed technical (safety) and environmental review. In addition to the application, the NRC staff held multiple public meetings with AUC to discuss various issues and submitted detailed requests for additional information to which AUC provided responses during the review process. The NRC's Safety Evaluation Report documenting its review of AUC's application was completed on September 30, 2016. The NRC issued its final environmental impact statement on December 16, 2016

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," the details with respect to this action, including the Safety Evaluation Report and accompanying documentation and license, are available online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's

Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of the NRC's public documents.

The ADAMS accession numbers for the documents related to this notice are:

1	Generic Environmental Impact Statement for <i>In-Situ</i> Leach Uranium Milling Facilities, May 2009	ML091530075
2	AUC, LLC's Application, October 3, 2012	ML122890785
3	NRC email informing AUC that License Application Added to ADAMS and Deferral of Acceptance Review, November 30, 2012	ML12349A262
4	NRC Request for Additional Information,	ML13365A110
5	Round 1 - Response to Request for Additional Information, June 13, 2012	ML14169A452
6	NRC Results of Round 1 RAI Response Package, September 9, 2014	ML14247A276
7	AUC Revised RAI Response Package, December 23, 2014	ML15002A077
8	Safety Evaluation Report, September 30, 2016	ML16237A141
9	Environmental Impact Statement for the Reno Creek ISR Project in Campbell County, Wyoming, Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement for <i>In-Situ</i> Leach Uranium Milling Facilities, Draft Report for Public Comments, June 30, 2016	ML16181A082
10	NUREG-1910, Suppl. 6, Environmental Impact Statement for the Reno Creek ISR Project in Campbell County, Wyoming, Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement for <i>In-Situ</i> Leach Uranium Milling Facilities, Final Report, December 2016	ML16342A973
11	Source and Byproduct Materials License SUA-1602, February 16, 2017	ML16364A219
12	NRC Staff's Record of Decision, February 03, 2017	ML17011A195
13	Safety Evaluation Report, Revision 1, February 16, 2017	ML16364A227

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of February 2017.

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