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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-219; 72-27; 72-17; 50-213, 72-39; and 50-29, 72-31;

NRC-2020-0110]

Issuance of Multiple Exemptions in Response to COVID-19

Public Health Emergency

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Exemptions; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued multiple exemptions in response to requests from Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC.; Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Portland General Electric Company; Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company; and Yankee Atomic Electric Company. The exemptions allow the licensees to extend certain training and requalification frequency requirements of NRC's general criteria for security personnel in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE). The NRC is issuing a single notice to announce the issuance of these exemptions.

DATES: The exemptions were issued between May 20, 2020 and June 23, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID **NRC-2020-0110** when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID **NRC-2020-0110**. Address questions about NRC docket IDs in Regulations.gov to Jennifer Borges; telephone: 301-287-9127; e-mail: Jennifer.Borges@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The NRC issued multiple exemptions in response to requests dated between May 7, 2020, and May 20, 2020, from Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC.; Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Portland General Electric Company; Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company; and Yankee Atomic Electric Company. The exemptions allow the licensees to extend training and requalification frequency requirements in specific regulations (cited below) of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) part 73, “Physical Protection of Plants And Materials.”

The exemptions from certain sections of 10 CFR part 73 ensure that the extension of training and requalification frequency facilitates the implementation of security measures regarding physical and medical requalification in a manner that does

not conflict with practices recommended to limit the spread of COVID-19.

The NRC is periodically providing this compiled listing of related exemptions using a single *Federal Register* notice for COVID-19 related exemptions, instead of issuing individual *Federal Register* notices. Additionally, the NRC publishes a list of approved licensing actions related to the COVID-19 PHE on its public Web site at <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/covid-19/materials/storage.html> and <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/covid-19/materials/decommissioning.html>.

II. Availability of Documents

The table below provides the licensee name, the plant name, docket number, and ADAMS Accession Numbers for information on each exemption issued, including the exemption request submitted by the respective licensee. For additional directions on accessing information in ADAMS, see the ADDRESSES section of this document.

**Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC.
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
Docket No. 50-219**

| DOCUMENT TITLE | ADAMS ACCESSION NO. |
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| Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station – Exemption Request from Certain Requirements of 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B, “General Criteria for Security Personnel,” Section VI | ML20140A130 |

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Humboldt Bay Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation
Docket No. 72-27**

| DOCUMENT TITLE | ADAMS ACCESSION NO. |
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| Request for Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B for the Humboldt Bay Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation | ML20134J007 |
| Issuance of Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B I.E, II.E, AND IV. for Humboldt Bay Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation | ML20162A061 |

**Portland General Electric Company
Trojan Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation
Docket No. 72-17**

| DOCUMENT TITLE | ADAMS ACCESSION NO. |
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| Request for Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B, General Criteria for Security Personnel | ML20147A606 |
| Issuance of Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B, Section I.E. for Trojan Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation | ML20149K418 |

**Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company
Haddam Neck Plant Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation
Docket Nos. 50-213 and 72-39**

| DOCUMENT TITLE | ADAMS ACCESSION NO. |
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| Request for a Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR 73, Appendix B, Section LE and 10 CFR 73.55(r) Annual Physical Requalification Requirement | ML20143A061 |
| Issuance of Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B, Section I.E for Haddam Neck Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation | ML20150A335 |

**Yankee Atomic Electric Company
Yankee Rowe Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation
Docket Nos. 50-029 & 72-31**

| DOCUMENT TITLE | ADAMS ACCESSION NO. |
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| Request for a Temporary Exemption from 10 CFR 73, Appendix B, Section I.E and Revision 19 of the Yankee Rowe Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation Physical Security Plan, Annual Physical Qualification Requirement | ML20160A040 |
| Response to Request for Additional Information: Yankee Atomic Electric Company Temporary Exemption for Annual Physicals Requirement | ML20161A191 |
| Issuance of Temporary Exemptions from 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B, Section I.E. for Yankee Rowe Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation | ML20162A128 |

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