

designating the time and place of any hearing. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing will be whether this Confirmatory Order should be sustained.

In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in Section IV above will be final 20 days from the date of this Order without further order or proceedings. If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the provisions specified in Section IV will be final when the extension expires if a hearing request has not been received.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of November 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Samuel J. Collins,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-423]

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, et al.; Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (the licensee) to withdraw its May 1, 1995, application, as supplemented October 20, 1995, and March 11, 1999, for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-49 for the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3, located in New London County, Connecticut.

The proposed amendment would have revised the facility technical specifications pertaining to the steam generator tube inspection surveillance interval, extending the interval from the current 18-month to a 24-month fuel cycle.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on November 27, 1995 (60 FR 58402). However, by letter dated October 5, 1999, as supplemented November 9, 1999, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated May 1, 1995, as supplemented October 20, 1995, and

March 11, 1999, and the licensee's letters dated October 5 and November 9, 1999, that withdrew the application for license amendment.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of November 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John A. Nakoski,

Senior Project Manager, Section 2 Project Directorate I, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Wednesday, December 8, 1999.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Wednesday, December 8

9:25 a.m.—Affirmation Session (Public Meeting)

- a. Final Amendments to 10 CFR Parts 21, 50 & 54 & Availability for Public Comment of Draft Reg Guide DG-1081 & Draft Standard Review Plan Section 15.01. *Regarding Use of Alternative Source Terms at Operating Reactors (Tentative) (Contact: Ken Hart, 301-45-1659)

*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: Bill Hill (301) 415-1661.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/SECY/smj/schedule.htm>.

This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to it, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Attn: Operations Branch, Washington, D.C. 20555 (301-415-1661). In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the Internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to wmh@nrc.gov or dkw@nrc.gov.

Dated: December 1, 1999.

William M. Hill, Jr.,

Secy, Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

National Partnership Council; Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

TIME AND DATE: 1:30 p.m., December 8, 1999.

PLACE: OPM Conference Center, Room 1350, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Theodore Roosevelt Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC. The conference center is located on the first floor.

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public. Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Individuals with special access needs wishing to attend should contact OPM at the number shown below to obtain appropriate accommodations.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The National Partnership Council will focus on updating its annual strategic plan and calendar. The Council will also hear from Dr. Marick Masters, University of Pittsburgh, on the status of the NPC Research Project. In addition, the Council will hear a presentation on President Clinton's October 28, 1999 memorandum reaffirming Executive Order 12871—Labor-Management Partnerships.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Jeff Sumberg, Director, Center for Partnership and Labor-Management Relations, Office of Personnel Management, Theodore Roosevelt Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 7H28, Washington, DC 20415-2000, (202) 606-2930.

Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-42183; File No. SR-GSCC-99-04]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Government Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Fees and Charges

November 29, 1999.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

("Act"),¹ notice is hereby given that on August 19, 1999, the Government Securities Clearing Corporation ("GSCC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which items have been prepared primarily by GSCC. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested parties.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

Under the proposed rule change, GSCC will reduce the clearance fee that it charges to its netting members.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, GSCC included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. GSCC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections (A), (B) and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of these statements.²

(A) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

GSCC passes through to its netting members (with the exception of category 1 interdealer broker netting members engaged in blind broker repo activity) the cost to GSCC of obtaining and providing clearance services. Currently, the fee charged by GSCC to netting members to recoup its own external and internal clearance costs is \$2.90 per deliver and receive obligation. The level of this fee is periodically reviewed to ensure that it equates sufficiently close to GSCC's actual expense.

Recently, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ("Federal Reserve") lowered its Fedwire funds and securities transfer fees.³ GSCC's clearance fee is a blended combination of the clearance charges levied upon GSCC by both its clearing banks and by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for transfers made through the Fedwire book entry system. Internalized settlements at the clearing banks (*i.e.*,

those settlements occurring between GSCC and dealers within the same clearing bank) substantially reduce the amount of Federal Reserve fees included in GSCC's blended rate. As a result, there is not a direct correlation between Federal Reserve clearance fees and GSCC's clearance fee. Nonetheless, GSCC's processing costs were lowered because of the Federal Reserve's action, and a reduction in GSCC's clearance fee is therefore warranted.

GSCC has determined that the clearance fee level now needed to offset its own clearance costs is roughly \$2.75 per settlement. Thus, GSCC has determined it appropriate, effective as of October 1, 1999, to reduce GSCC's unit fee for clearance from \$2.90 to \$2.75. This adjusted fee reflects GSCC's ongoing commitment to effectively translate reductions in GSCC's processing costs into membership savings. The level of clearance fee will continue to be periodically monitored for appropriateness.

GSCC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act⁴ and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to GSCC because it involves a fee change which fairly reflects the costs incurred by GSCC in providing services to its members.

(B) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

GSCC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have any impact or impose any burden on competition.

(C) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from members, Participants or Others

Written comments relating to the proposed rule change have not yet been solicited or received. GSCC will notify the Commission of any written comments received by GSCC.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii)⁵ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁶ promulgated thereunder because the proposal establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by GSCC. At any time within sixty days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if

it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549-0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of GSCC. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-GSCC-99-04 and should be submitted by December 27, 1999.

For the Commission by the Division of Market regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-42166; File No. SR-NASD-99-53]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. and Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 Thereto Relating to the Establishment of the Nasdaq Order Display Facility and Modifications of the Nasdaq Trading Platform

November 22, 1999.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act" or "Exchange Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² The Commission has modified the text of the summaries prepared by GSCC.

³ 63 FR 63552 (November 13, 1998) (notice of schedule of fees for Federal Reserve Bank Services).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁶ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).