

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment
for Construction and Operation of a Radiological Work and Storage Building

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AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program

ACTION: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508); and the Department of Energy (DOE) implementing procedures (10 CFR 1021); the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program (NNPP) announces the availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for construction and operation of a radiological work and storage building at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory Kesselring Site in West Milton, New York. A modernized facility is needed to streamline radioactive material handling and storage operations, permit demolition of aging facilities, and accommodate efficient maintenance of existing nuclear reactors. The Draft EA may be viewed at the Saratoga Springs Public Library in Saratoga Springs, NY, the Schenectady County Public Library (Niskayuna Branch) in Niskayuna, NY, or online at http://www.NNPP-NEPA.us/environmental_assessments/kesselring_site/rwsb_ea.

DATE: Interested parties are invited to provide written comments on environmental issues and concerns relative to the Draft EA, on or before April 6, 2012, to ensure full consideration during the decision making process.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by mail to David Delwiche, Naval Reactors Laboratory Field Office, P.O. Box 1069, Schenectady, NY 12301. Comments provided by e-mail should be submitted to kesselring_radbuilding2012@unnpp.gov. Comments provided by phone should use 518-395-6366.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information contact David Delwiche as described above.