

term is used in 21 U.S.C. § 823(f) (2006 & Supp. III 2010).<sup>1</sup> OSC at 1.

On October 26, 2011, the Respondent, through counsel, timely filed a request for hearing coupled with a request for a continuance. An order issued that day which denied the Respondent's continuance request and set a briefing schedule on the issue of whether he possessed state authority to possess controlled substances. The parties timely complied. On October 28, 2011, the Government filed a document styled "Government's Motion for Summary Disposition" (Motion for Summary Disposition) and on November 4, 2011, the Respondent filed his reply (Respondent's Reply).

The Government's Motion for Summary Disposition attached a copy of a February 3, 2010 Order of Immediate Suspension of Controlled Substance Registration (Suspension Order) issued by the Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection, as well as an August 13, 2011 Interim Consent Order, executed by the Respondent and an official of the Connecticut Department of Health, which memorialized the former's suspension and surrender of his state license to practice medicine. Both parties agree that the Respondent is currently without authorization to practice medicine and handle controlled substances in Connecticut, the jurisdiction where he holds the DEA COR that is the subject of this litigation. Although the Respondent does not contest the current status of his state license and lack of authorization to handle controlled substances, in his Reply, he has stressed his intention to contest these issues before the Connecticut authorities in the future. Reply at 2.

The Controlled Substances Act (CSA) requires that a practitioner must be currently authorized to handle controlled substances in "the jurisdiction in which he practices" in order to maintain a DEA registration. See 21 U.S.C. § 802(21) ("[t]he term 'practitioner' means a physician \* \* \* licensed, registered, or otherwise permitted, by \* \* \* the jurisdiction in which he practices \* \* \* to distribute, dispense, [or] administer \* \* \* a controlled substance in the course of professional practice"); see also *id.* § 823(f) ("The Attorney General shall register practitioners \* \* \* if the applicant is authorized to dispense \* \* \* controlled substances under the laws of the State in which he practices."). Therefore, because "possessing authority under state law to handle controlled substances is an essential condition for holding a DEA registration," this Agency has consistently held that "the CSA requires the revocation of a registration issued to a practitioner who lacks [such authority]." *Roy Chi Lung*, 74 FR 20346, 20347 (2009); *Scott Sandarg, D.M.D.*, 74 FR 17528, 174529 (2009); *John B. Freitas, D.O.*, 74 FR 17524, 17525 (2009); *Roger A.*

*Rodriguez, M.D.*, 70 FR 33206, 33207 (2005); *Stephen J. Graham, M.D.*, 69 FR 11661 (2004); *Dominick A. Ricci, M.D.*, 58 FR 51104 (1993); *Abraham A. Chaplan, M.D.*, 57 FR 55280 (1992); *Bobby Watts, M.D.*, 53 FR 11919 (1988); see also *Harrell E. Robinson*, 74 FR 61370, 61375 (2009).

In order to revoke a registrant's DEA registration, the DEA has the burden of proving that the requirements for revocation are satisfied. 21 C.F.R. § 1301.44(e). Once DEA has made its *prima facie* case for revocation of the registrant's DEA COR, the burden of production then shifts to the Respondent to show that, given the totality of the facts and circumstances in the record, revoking the registrant's registration would not be appropriate. *Morall v. DEA*, 412 F.3d 165, 174 (DC Cir. 2005); *Humphreys v. DEA*, 96 F.3d 658, 661 (3d Cir. 1996); *Shatz v. U.S. Dept. of Justice*, 873 F.2d 1089, 1091 (8th Cir. 1989); *Thomas E. Johnston*, 45 FR 72311 (1980).

Regarding the Government's motion, summary disposition of an administrative case is warranted where, as here, "there is no factual dispute of substance." See *Veg-Mix, Inc.*, 832 F.2d 601, 607 (DC Cir. 1987) ("an agency may ordinarily dispense with a hearing when no genuine dispute exists"). A summary disposition would likewise be warranted even if the period of suspension were temporary, or if there were (as he avers) the potential that Respondent's state controlled substances privileges could be reinstated, because "revocation is also appropriate when a state license has been suspended, but with the possibility of future reinstatement," *Rodriguez*, 70 FR at 33207 (citations omitted), and even where there is a judicial challenge to the state medical board action actively pending in the state courts. *Michael G. Dolin, M.D.*, 65 FR 5661, 5662 (2000). It is well-settled that where no genuine question of fact is involved, or when the material facts are agreed upon, a plenary, adversarial administrative proceeding is not required, see *Jesus R. Juarez, M.D.*, 62 FR 14945 (1997); *Dominick A. Ricci, M.D.*, 58 FR 51104 (1993), under the rationale that Congress does not intend for administrative agencies to perform meaningless tasks. See *Philip E. Kirk, M.D.*, 48 FR 32887 (1983), *aff'd sub nom. Kirk v. Mullen*, 749 F.2d 297 (6th Cir. 1984); see also *Puerto Rico Aqueduct & Sewer Auth. v. EPA*, 35 F.3d 600, 605 (1st Cir. 1994); *NLRB v. Int'l Assoc. of Bridge, Structural & Ornamental Ironworkers, AFL-CIO*, 549 F.2d 634 (9th Cir. 1977); *United States v. Consol. Mines & Smelting Co.*, 455 F.2d 432, 453 (9th Cir. 1971).

At this juncture, no genuine dispute exists over the established material fact that Respondent currently lacks state authority to handle controlled substances. Because the Respondent lacks such state authority, both the plain language of applicable federal statutory provisions and Agency interpretive precedent dictate that the Respondent is not entitled to maintain his DEA registration. Simply put, there is no contested factual matter adducible at a hearing that can provide me with authority to continue his entitlement to a COR under the circumstances. I therefore conclude that further delay in ruling on the Government's

motion for summary disposition is not warranted. See *Gregory F. Saric, M.D.*, 76 FR 16821 (2011) (stay denied in the face of Respondent's petition based on pending state administrative action wherein he was seeking reinstatement of state privileges).

Accordingly, I hereby **GRANT** the Government's Motion for Summary Disposition;

**DENY** the Government's Motion for Stay of Proceedings as moot;

and further **RECOMMEND** that the Respondent's DEA registration be **REVOKED** forthwith and any pending applications for renewal be **DENIED**.

Dated: November 4, 2011.

**John J. Mulrooney, II**,  
Chief Administrative Law Judge.

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

### Public Availability of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration FY 2011 Service Contract Inventory

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Availability of Analysis of the FY 2010 Service Contract Inventories and the FY 2011 Service Contract Inventories.

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**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 743 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111-117), National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is publishing this notice to advise the public of the availability of its analysis of FY 2010 Service Contract inventory and the FY 2011 Service Contract Inventory. This inventory provides information on service contract actions over \$25,000 that were made in FY 2011. The information is organized by function to show how contracted resources are distributed throughout the agency. The inventory has been developed in accordance with guidance issued on December 19, 2011 by the Office of Management and Budget's Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP). NASA has posted its analysis of the FY 2010 inventory, the FY 2011 inventory and a summary of the FY 2011 inventory on the NASA Office of Procurement homepage at the following link: <http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/procurement/scinventory/index.html>.

<sup>1</sup> Interestingly, lack of state authority is the only ground for which the Government's charging document has supplied a factual basis. Beyond the issue of state authority, no factual basis has been included that would provide the Respondent with notice as to why his continued registration might be inconsistent with the public interest.

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## NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

### Public Availability of the National Archives and Records Administration FY 2011 Service Contract Inventory

**AGENCY:** National Archives and Records Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of public availability of FY 2011 Service Contract Inventory.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 743 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111-117), the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is publishing this notice to advise the public of the availability of its FY 2011 Service Contract inventory. This inventory provides information on service contract actions over \$25,000 that were made in FY 2011. The information is organized by function to show how contracted resources are distributed throughout the agency. The inventory has been developed in accordance with guidance issued on November 5, 2010 by the Office of Management and Budget's Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP). OFPP's guidance is available at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/procurement/memo/service-contract-inventories-guidance-11052010.pdf>. NARA has posted its inventory and a summary of the inventory on the NARA homepage at the

following link: <http://www.archives.gov/contracts/>.

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Dated: February 3, 2012.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-247]

### Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, LLC; Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.; Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2; Exemption

#### 1.0 Background

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy or the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR-026, which authorizes operation of Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2 (IP2). The license provides, among other things, that the facility is subject to all rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) now or hereafter in effect.

IP2 is a pressurized-water reactor located approximately 24 miles north of the New York City boundary line on the east bank of the Hudson River in Westchester County, New York.

#### 2.0 Request/Action

Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) part 50, Section 50.48(b), requires that nuclear power

plants that were licensed to operate before January 1, 1979, satisfy the requirements of 10 CFR part 50, Appendix R, "Fire Protection Program for Nuclear Power Facilities Operating Prior to January 1, 1979," Section III.G, "Fire protection of safe shutdown capability." The circuit separation and protection requirements being addressed in this request for exemption are specified in Section III.G.2. Since IP2 was licensed to operate before January 1, 1979, IP2 is required to meet Section III.G.2 of Appendix R to 10 CFR part 50.

The underlying purpose of Section III.G of Appendix R to 10 CFR part 50 is to establish reasonable assurance that safe shutdown (SSD) of the reactor can be achieved and maintained in the event of a postulated fire in any plant area. Circuits which could cause maloperation or prevent operation of redundant trains of equipment required to achieve and maintain hot shutdown conditions as a result of fire in a single fire area must be protected in accordance with III.G.2. If conformance with the technical requirements of III.G.2 cannot be assured in a specific fire area, an alternative or dedicated shutdown capability must be provided in accordance with Section III.G.3, or an exemption obtained in accordance with 10 CFR 50.12, "Specific exemptions."

By letter dated March 6, 2009, Entergy requested an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR part 50, Appendix R, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.12. Specifically, Entergy requested an exemption to allow the use of Operator Manual Actions (OMAs) in lieu of meeting certain technical requirements of III.G.2 in Fire Areas C, F, H, J, K, P, and YD of IP2. The table below provides the dates and topics of the submittals related to this request.

Subject	Author	Date	Description	ADAMS Accession
Exemption Request from Appendix R.	Entergy .....	March 6, 2009 .....	Original Submittal .....	ML090770151.
Revised Exemption Request.	Entergy .....	October 1, 2009 .....	Revision to March 2009 submittal, incorporated changes to Attachment 2, <i>Technical Basis in Support of Exemption Request</i> .	ML092810231
Request for Additional Information (RAI) #1.	NRC .....	January 20, 2010 .....	Request for information on the overall defense-in-depth for each fire zone..	ML100150128
RAI Response #1 .....	Entergy .....	May 4, 2010 .....	Response to the staff's January 20, 2010, RAI.	ML101320230
RAI #2 .....	NRC .....	August 11, 2010 .....	RAI on reactor coolant system makeup, separation distances, <i>etc</i> .	ML102180331
RAI Response #2 .....	Entergy .....	September 29, 2010 .....	Response to the staff's August 11, 2010, RAI ..	ML102930237
RAI #3 .....	NRC .....	December 16, 2010 .....	RAI on reactor coolant system makeup .....	ML103500204
RAI Response #3 .....	Entergy .....	January 19, 2011 .....	Responses to the staff's December 16, 2010, RAI.	ML110310013
Letter to revise previously submitted information.	Entergy .....	February 10, 2011 .....	Letter updating tables contained in previous submittals.	ML110540321