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Public invited to comment on Draft Supplement Analysis on Two Proposed Shipments of Commercial Nuclear Fuel to Idaho National Laboratory for Research and Development Purposes

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites the public to read and comment on a draft supplement analysis it has prepared for a proposal to make two shipments of commercial nuclear fuel rods totaling 80 to 100 kilograms heavy metal (40 to 50 kilograms heavy metal in each of the two shipments) to Idaho National Laboratory for research and development purposes.

DOE prepared this draft supplement analysis in accordance with 10 CFR 1021.314(c), to determine whether an existing environmental impact statement should be supplemented, a new environmental impact statement should be prepared, or that no further NEPA documentation is required for this proposed action.

The draft supplement analysis is available at the following web links: [Draft Supplement Analysis on Two Proposed Shipments of Commercial Spent Nuclear Fuel to Idaho National Laboratory for Research and Development Purposes](#)- 3Mb  and <https://www.id.energy.gov/insideNEID/PublicInvolvement>

The 30-day public comment period on the draft supplement analysis will conclude on July 13, 2015. Comments can be submitted by mail to Jack Depperschmidt, NEPA Document Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 1955 Fremont Avenue, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83415-1222; phone 208-526-5053; or by email to comnfsa@id.doe.gov. Paper copies of the document are available from Mr. Depperschmidt on request.

A determination concerning the need for any further NEPA analysis will follow the public comment period. No decision has been made at this time regarding the destination of the proposed spent nuclear fuel shipments; that decision will be made following completion of this NEPA process.