

subparagraphs to be not in compliance with those performance objectives, the Commission shall, as soon as practicable after discovery of the noncompliant conditions, inform the Department of Energy, the covered State, and the following congressional committees:

“(A) The Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

“(B) The Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, the Committee on Environment and Public Works, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

“(3) For fiscal year 2005, the Secretary shall, from amounts available for defense site acceleration completion, reimburse the Commission for all expenses, including salaries, that the Commission incurs as a result of performance under subsection (a) and this subsection for fiscal year 2005. The Department of Energy and the Commission may enter into an interagency agreement that specifies the method of reimbursement. Amounts received by the Commission for performance under subsection (a) and this subsection may be retained and used for salaries and expenses associated with those activities, notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, United States Code, and shall remain available until expended.

“(4) For fiscal years after 2005, the Commission shall include in the budget justification materials submitted to Congress in support of the Commission budget for that fiscal year (as submitted with the budget of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code) the amounts required, not offset by revenues, for performance under subsection (a) and this subsection.

“(C) INAPPLICABILITY TO CERTAIN MATERIALS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to any material otherwise covered by that subsection that is transported from the covered State.

“(d) COVERED STATES.—For purposes of this section, the following States are covered States:

“(1) The State of South Carolina.

“(2) The State of Idaho.

“(e) CONSTRUCTION.—(1) Nothing in this section shall impair, alter, or modify the full implementation of any Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order or other applicable consent decree for a Department of Energy site.

“(2) Nothing in this section establishes any precedent or is binding on the State of Washington, the State of Oregon, or any other State not covered by subsection (d) for the management, storage, treatment, and disposition of radioactive and hazardous materials.

“(3) Nothing in this section amends the definition of ‘transuranic waste’ or regulations for repository disposal of transuranic waste pursuant to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Land Withdrawal Act [Pub. L. 102-579, 106 Stat. 4777] or part 191 of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations.

“(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect in any way the obligations of the Department of Energy to comply with section 4306A of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2567).

“(5) Nothing in this section amends the West Valley Demonstration Act [Pub. L. 96-368] (42 U.S.C. 2121a [2021a] note).

“(f) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Judicial review shall be available in accordance with chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code, for the following:

“(1) Any determination made by the Secretary or any other agency action taken by the Secretary pursuant to this section.

“(2) Any failure of the Commission to carry out its responsibilities under subsection (b).”

SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES

Pub. L. 108-199, div. H, §127, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 440, provided that: “Funds appropriated in this, or any other Act hereafter, may not be obligated to pay, on behalf of the United States or a contractor or subcontractor of the United States, to post a bond or fulfill any other financial responsibility requirement re-

lating to closure or post-closure care and monitoring of Sandia National Laboratories and properties held or managed by Sandia National Laboratories prior to implementation of closure or post-closure monitoring. The State of New Mexico or any other entity may not enforce against the United States or a contractor or subcontractor of the United States, in this year or any other fiscal year, a requirement to post bond or any other financial responsibility requirement relating to closure or post-closure care and monitoring of Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico and properties held or managed by Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico.”

§ 2602. Reports in connection with permanent closures of Department of Energy defense nuclear facilities

(a) Training and job placement services plan

Not later than 120 days before a Department of Energy defense nuclear facility (as defined in section 2286g of title 42) permanently ceases all production and processing operations, the Secretary of Energy must submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing a discussion of the training and job placement services needed to enable the employees at such facility to obtain employment in the environmental remediation and cleanup activities at such facility. The discussion shall include the actions that should be taken by the contractor operating and managing such facility to provide retraining and job placement services to employees of such contractor.

(b) Closure report

Upon the permanent cessation of production operations at a Department of Energy defense nuclear facility, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to Congress a report containing—

(1) a complete survey of environmental problems at the facility;

(2) budget quality data indicating the cost of environmental restoration and other remediation and cleanup efforts at the facility; and

(3) a discussion of the proposed cleanup schedule.

(Pub. L. 107-314, div. D, title XLIV, §4422, formerly Pub. L. 101-189, div. C, title XXXI, §3156, Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1683; renumbered Pub. L. 107-314, div. D, title XLIV, §4422, and amended Pub. L. 108-136, div. C, title XXXI, §3141(g)(12), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1766.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 7274b of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 108-136.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(12)(D), made technical amendment to section catchline.

PART C—PRIVATIZATION

§ 2611. Defense environmental management privatization projects

(a) Authority to enter into contracts

The Secretary of Energy may, using funds authorized to be appropriated by section 3102(i) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Public Law 105-85) for a project re-

ferred to in that section, enter into a contract that—

- (1) is awarded on a competitive basis;
- (2) requires the contractor to construct or acquire any equipment or facilities required to carry out the contract;
- (3) requires the contractor to bear any of the costs of the construction, acquisition, and operation of such equipment or facilities that arise before the commencement of the provision of goods or services under the contract; and
- (4) provides for payment to the contractor under the contract only upon the meeting of performance specifications in the contract.

(b) Notice and wait

(1) The Secretary may not enter into a contract under subsection (a), exercise an authorization to proceed with such a contract or extend any contract period for such a contract by more than one year until 30 days after the date on which the Secretary submits to the congressional defense committees a report with respect to the contract.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), a report under paragraph (1) with respect to a contract shall set forth—

(A) the anticipated costs and fees of the Department under the contract, including the anticipated maximum amount of such costs and fees;

(B) any performance specifications in the contract;

(C) the anticipated dates of commencement and completion of the provision of goods or services under the contract;

(D) the allocation between the Department and the contractor of any financial, regulatory, or environmental obligations under the contract;

(E) any activities planned or anticipated to be required with respect to the project after completion of the contract;

(F) the site services or other support to be provided the contractor by the Department under the contract;

(G) the goods or services to be provided by the Department or contractor under the contract, including any additional obligations to be borne by the Department or contractor with respect to such goods or services;

(H) if the contract provides for financing of the project by an entity or entities other than the United States, a detailed comparison of the costs of financing the project through such entity or entities with the costs of financing the project by the United States;

(I) the schedule for the contract;

(J) the costs the Department would otherwise have incurred in obtaining the goods or services covered by the contract if the Department had not proposed to obtain the goods or services under this section;

(K) an estimate and justification of the cost savings, if any, to be realized through the contract, including the assumptions underlying the estimate;

(L) the effect of the contract on any ancillary schedules applicable to the facility concerned, including milestones in site compliance agreements; and

(M) the plans for maintaining financial and programmatic accountability for activities under the contract.

(3) In the case of a contract under subsection (a) at the Hanford Reservation, the report under paragraph (1) shall set forth—

(A) the matters specified in paragraph (2); and

(B) if the contract contemplates two pilot vitrification plants—

(i) an analysis of the basis for the selection of each of the plants in lieu of a single pilot vitrification plant; and

(ii) a detailed comparison of the costs to the United States of two pilot plants with the costs to the United States of a single pilot plant.

(c) Cost variations

(1)(A) The Secretary may not enter into a contract for a project referred to in subparagraph (B), or obligate funds attributable to the capital portion of the cost of such a contract, whenever the current estimated cost of the project exceeds the amount of the estimated cost of the project as shown in the most recent budget justification data submitted to Congress.

(B) Subparagraph (A) applies to the following:

(i) A project authorized by section 3102(i) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Public Law 105-85).

(ii) A project authorized by section 3103 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997 (Public Law 104-201; 110 Stat. 2824) for which a contract has not been entered into as of November 18, 1997.

(2) The Secretary may not obligate funds attributable to the capital portion of the cost of a contract entered into before such date for a project authorized by such section 3103 whenever the current estimated cost of the project equals or exceeds 110 percent of the amount of the estimated cost of the project as shown in the most recent budget justification data submitted to Congress.

(d) Use of funds for termination of contract

Not later than 15 days before the Secretary obligates funds available for a project authorized by section 3102(i) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Public Law 105-85) to terminate the contract for the project under subsection (a), the Secretary shall notify the congressional defense committees of the Secretary's intent to obligate the funds for that purpose.

(e) Annual report on contracts

(1) Not later than February 28 of each year, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the activities, if any, carried out under each contract referred to in paragraph (2) during the preceding year. The report shall include an update with respect to each such contract of the matters specified under subsection (b)(1) as of the date of the report.

(2) A contract referred to in paragraph (1) is the following:

(A) A contract under subsection (a) for a project referred to in that subsection.

(B) A contract under section 3103 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997.

(f) Assessment of contracting without sufficient appropriations

Not later than 90 days after November 18, 1997, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report assessing whether, and under what circumstances, the Secretary could enter into contracts for defense environmental management privatization projects in the absence of sufficient appropriations to meet obligations under such contracts without thereby violating the provisions of section 1341 of title 31.

(Pub. L. 107-314, div. D, title XLIV, §4431, formerly Pub. L. 105-85, div. C, title XXXI, §3132, Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2034; renumbered Pub. L. 107-314, div. D, title XLIV, §4431, and amended Pub. L. 108-136, div. C, title XXXI, §3141(g)(14), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1767.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 3102(i) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998, referred to in subsecs. (a), (c)(1)(B)(i), and (d), is section 3102(i) of Pub. L. 105-85, div. C, title XXXI, Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2028, which is not classified to the Code.

Section 3103 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997, referred to in subsecs. (c)(1)(B)(ii), (2) and (e)(2)(B), is section 3103 of Pub. L. 104-201, div. C, title XXXI, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2824, which is not classified to the Code.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsecs. (a), (c)(1)(B)(i). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(14)(D)(i), inserted “of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Public Law 105-85)” after “section 3102(i)”.

Subsec. (c)(1)(B)(ii). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(14)(D)(ii), substituted “November 18, 1997” for “the date of enactment of this Act”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(14)(D)(i), inserted “of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Public Law 105-85)” after “section 3102(i)”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(14)(D)(ii), substituted “November 18, 1997” for “the date of enactment of this Act”.

PART D—HANFORD RESERVATION, WASHINGTON

§ 2621. Safety measures for waste tanks at Hanford Nuclear Reservation

(a) Identification and monitoring of tanks

Not later than February 3, 1991, the Secretary of Energy shall identify which single-shelled or double-shelled high-level nuclear waste tanks at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation, Richland, Washington, may have a serious potential for release of high-level waste due to uncontrolled increases in temperature or pressure. After completing such identification, the Secretary shall determine whether continuous monitoring is being carried out to detect a release or excessive temperature or pressure at each tank so identified. If such monitoring is not being carried out, as soon as practicable the Secretary shall install such monitoring, but only if a type of monitoring that does not itself increase the danger of a release can be installed.

(b) Action plans

Not later than March 5, 1991, the Secretary of Energy shall develop action plans to respond to

excessive temperature or pressure or a release from any tank identified under subsection (a).

(c) Prohibition

Beginning March 5, 1991, no additional high-level nuclear waste (except for small amounts removed and returned to a tank for analysis) may be added to a tank identified under subsection (a) unless the Secretary determines that no safer alternative than adding such waste to the tank currently exists or that the tank does not pose a serious potential for release of high-level nuclear waste.

(d) Report

Not later than May 5, 1991, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on actions taken to promote tank safety, including actions taken pursuant to this section, and the Secretary's timetable for resolving outstanding issues on how to handle the waste in such tanks.

(Pub. L. 107-314, div. D, title XLIV, §4441, formerly Pub. L. 101-510, div. C, title XXXI, §3137, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1833; renumbered Pub. L. 107-314, div. D, title XLIV, §4441, and amended Pub. L. 108-136, div. C, title XXXI, §3141(g)(16), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1767.)

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(16)(D)(i), made technical amendment to section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(16)(D)(ii), substituted “Not later than February 3, 1991,” for “Within 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(16)(D)(iii), substituted “Not later than March 5, 1991,” for “Within 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(16)(D)(iv), substituted “Beginning March 5, 1991,” for “Beginning 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 108-136, §3141(g)(16)(D)(v), substituted “Not later than May 5, 1991,” for “Within six months after the date of the enactment of this Act,”.

§ 2622. Hanford waste tank cleanup program reforms

(a) Establishment of Office of River Protection

The Secretary of Energy shall establish an office at the Hanford Reservation, Richland, Washington, to be known as the “Office of River Protection” (in this section referred to as the “Office”).

(b) Management and responsibilities of Office

(1) The Office shall be headed by a senior official of the Department of Energy, who shall report to the Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management.

(2) The head of the Office shall be responsible for managing all aspects of the River Protection Project, Richland, Washington, including Hanford Tank Farm operations and the Waste Treatment Plant.

(3)(A) The Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management shall delegate in writing responsibility for the management of the River Protection Project, Richland, Washington, to the head of the Office.

(B) Such delegation shall include, at a minimum, authorities for contracting, financial management, safety, and general program management that are equivalent to the authorities