

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



## NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TECHNICAL REVIEW

### RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL LICENSE NUMBER R03653

**APPLICATION.** URI, Inc. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to radioactive material license R03653 to authorize the addition of the Upper Spring Creek In-Situ Recovery (ISR) Project as the fourth separate site authorized on the license. URI proposes to construct and operate a satellite plant and one production area at the Upper Spring Creek ISR Project site for the in-situ recovery of uranium. The application was received by the TCEQ on October 17, 2022, with revisions received on December 12, 2022, and November 20, 2023.

The Upper Spring Creek ISR Project is located at 216 CR 135, George West, Texas, 78022 in Live Oak County, Texas. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application.

<https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-98.206944,28.285&level=18>

**PRELIMINARY DECISION.** The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft license. The draft license if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this license, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements.

The license application, Executive Director's technical summary, and draft license are available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ's central office in Austin, Texas and at Live Oak County Courthouse, 301 Houston Street, George West, Texas 78022.

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. The TCEQ may grant a contested case hearing on this application if a written hearing request is timely submitted. A request for a contested case hearing must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and license number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the license and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and license number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE:** For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid). Once you have access to the CID using the above link, enter the license number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** All public comments and requests must be submitted within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice either electronically at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/cc/comments.html>, or in writing to the

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.** Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this license application or the licensing process, please call the TCEQ's Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep). Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from URI, Inc. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Peter Luthiger at 361-239-5449.

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