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KENNETH A. KESSELRING SITE BEGINS SHIPMENTS TO SUPPORT TRAINING PROTOTYPE UPGRADES

Beginning in June, equipment and materials needed to support the refueling and overhaul will be transported by rail to Eastern Avenue in Ballston Spa. The equipment and materials include large and heavy pieces of equipment and associated shipping containers. The shipments will be unloaded and transferred to specialized heavy hauler transport vehicles and moved to the Kesselring Site via local roads. The shipments will be scheduled to minimize impact to local traffic. However, during the shipments some detours and delays can be expected, There are twelve planned shipments between the rail siding and the Kesselring Site over a three year period (six each way). Each trip takes approximately two hours and will account for such things as height restrictions and traffic patterns. See Figure 1 for the travel route. Figure 2 is a picture of a heavy haul vehicle transporting a container from the Kesselring Site to the rail siding in Ballston Spa during a prior refueling. Figure 3 is a highly robust shipping container like the one that will be used to transport some material. The heavy haul trucking company will obtain all the proper permits and follow all oversize shipment procedures as required by the New York State Department of Transportation.

The Naval Nuclear Laboratory has been keeping Ballston Spa, Town of Ballston, Town of Milton, Saratoga County, and New York State officials, the Ballston Spa Central School District and community members that live near the siding and along the transit route to Kesselring Site well informed of the activities that will be occurring.

Additional information on the project can be found in the Media section of the Naval Nuclear Laboratory's website at www.navalnuclearlab.energy.gov.

Figure 1: Heavy Haul Route

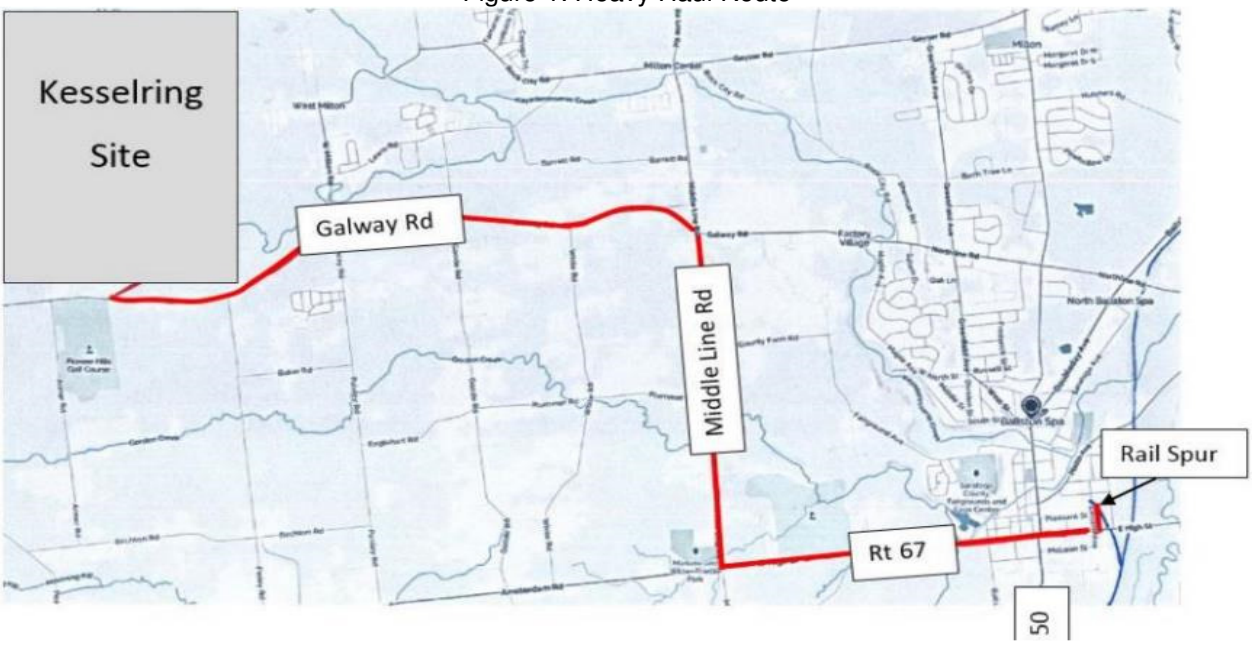

Figure 2: Heavy Haul Vehicle

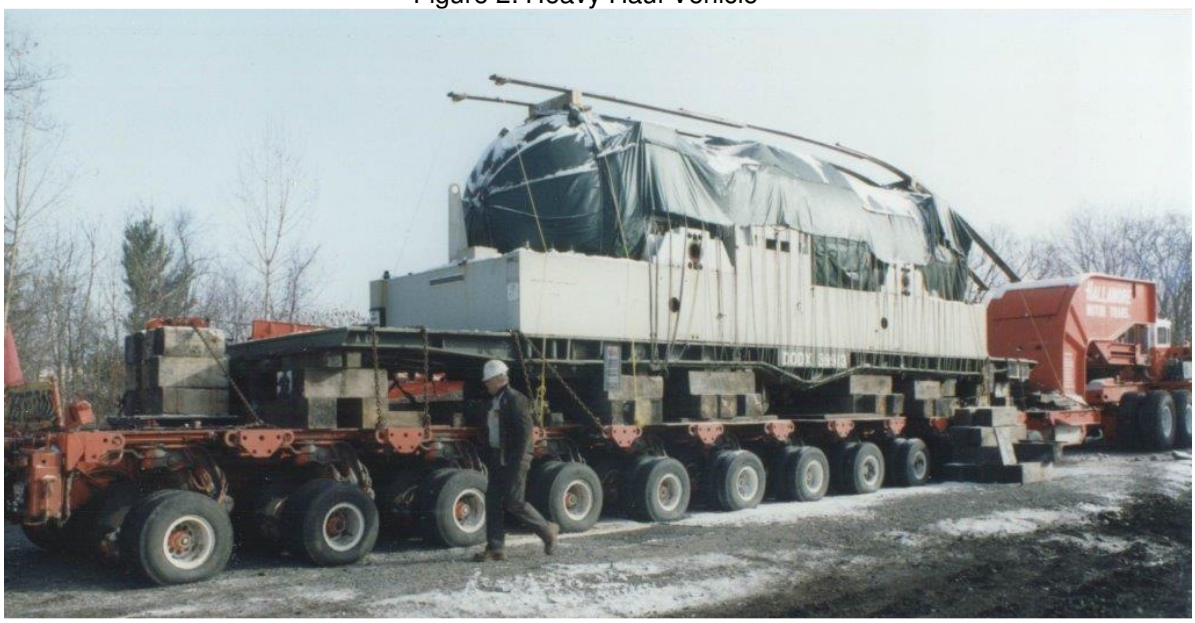

Figure 3: Shipping Container