

consider the qualifications of potential new ACNW members. A portion of this session may be closed to public attendance to discuss information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

*G. Miscellaneous*—The Committee will discuss miscellaneous matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and organizational activities and complete discussion of matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW meetings were published in the Federal Register on October 8, 1996 (61 FR 52814). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public, electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch, Mr. Richard K. Major, as far in advance as practicable so that appropriate arrangements can be made to schedule the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting will be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the ACNW Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting the Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch, prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACNW meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should notify Mr. Major as to their particular needs.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been cancelled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting Mr. Richard K. Major, Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch (telephone 301/415-7366), between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. EST.

ACNW meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available on FedWorld from the "NRC MAIN MENU." Direct Dial Access number to FedWorld is (800) 303-9672; the local direct dial number is 703-321-3339.

The ACNW meeting dates for Calendar Year 1997 are provided below:

ACNW meeting No.	1997 ACNW meeting dates
90th .....	February 25–27, 1997
91st .....	April 22–24, 1997
92nd .....	May 20–22, 1997
93rd .....	July 22–24, 1997
94th .....	September 23–25, 1997
95th .....	October 21–23, 1997
96th .....	November 18–20, 1997
97th .....	December 16–18, 1997

Dated: December 5, 1996.

Andrew L. Bates,

*Advisory Committee Management Office.*

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### Sunshine Act Meeting

**DATE:** Weeks of December 9, 16, 23, and 30, 1996.

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

*Week of December 9*

*Thursday, December 12*

3:30 p.m., Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed)

*Week of December 16—Tentative*

*Monday, December 16*

2:00 p.m., Briefing on Inspection Criteria, Evolution of Assessment, and SALP System (Public Meeting)

*Tuesday, December 17*

2:00 p.m., Meeting with Chairman of Nuclear Safety Research Review Committee (NSRRC) (Public Meeting) (Contact: Jose Cortez, 301-415-6596)

3:00 p.m., Affirmation Session (Public Meeting)

*Week of December 23—Tentative*

*There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of December 23.*

*Week of December 30—Tentative*

*There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of December 30.*

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By a vote of 5-0 on December 6, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552b(e) and 10 CFR Sec. 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that "Affirmation of Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.—Commission Review of LBP-95-17" be held on December 6, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

The Schedule for Commission Meetings Is Subject to Change on Short Notice. To Verify the Status of Meetings Call (Recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact Person For More Information: Bill Hill (301) 415-1661.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/SECY/smj/schedule.htm>

This notice is distributed by mail to several hundred subscribers; if you no longer wish to receive it, or would like to be added to it, please contact the Office of the Secretary, Attn: Operations Branch, Washington, D.C. 20555 (301-415-1661).

In addition, distribution of this meeting notice over the internet system is available. If you are interested in receiving this Commission meeting schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to [wmh@nrc.gov](mailto:wmh@nrc.gov) or [dkw@nrc.gov](mailto:dkw@nrc.gov).

Dated: December 6, 1996.

William M. Hill, Jr.,

*SECY Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.*

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### Draft NUREG/CR Report; Availability

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has made available, a draft NUREG/CR-6412, "Aging and Loss-of-Coolant Accident (LOCA) Testing of Electrical Connections." About 12 different types of connections commonly used in nuclear power plants were tested by the Sandia National Laboratories and the test results are reported in the draft of NUREG/CR-6412. The connections were aged for 6 months under simultaneous thermal (99 degrees C) and radiation (45 GY/hr) conditions to simulate 60 years in a nuclear power plant environment. The objective of this program was to investigate the performance of connections aged to a 60-year life to determine their suitability for life extension beyond the current nominal 40-year qualified life. The results show that 50% of the connection types were unable to successfully pass the submerged dielectric test following a simulated life of 60-year and LOCA exposure. The problems were not limited to any one family of electrical connections.

The preliminary review of this draft NUREG/CR by the NRC staff indicates that the test results are inconclusive and that the additional investigation is warranted. However, the NRC staff believes that this draft report will be of interest to the nuclear industry. Comments, if submitted by February 28, 1997, would be considered by the NRC staff. Written comments may be submitted to the Rules Review and Directives Branch, Division of Freedom

of Information and Publications Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Copies of comments received may be examined in the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW. (Lower Level), Washington, DC.

A copy of the draft NUREG/CR-6412 is available for inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room. Requests for a single copy of the draft NUREG/CR should be made in writing to Mr. Satish K. Aggarwal, Senior Program Manager, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; or by fax at (301) 415-5074. Telephone requests cannot be accommodated.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of December, 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.  
Andrew J. Murphy,

*Acting Director, Division of Engineering Technology, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.*

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### **Individual Plant Examination Program: Perspectives on Reactor Safety and Plant Performance, Volume 2, Parts 2-5, Draft**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Availability of NUREG, Draft for public comment; Notice of Public workshop meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has published a draft of "Individual Plant Examination Program: Perspectives on Reactor Safety and Plant Performance, Summary Report," NUREG-1560, Volume 2, Parts 2-5. This volume provides an in-depth discussion of the insights and findings (summarized in Volume 1, Part 1, Summary Report) from a review of the Individual Plant Examinations (IPE) submitted to the agency in response to Generic Letter 88-20. In addition, the NRC staff will conduct a public workshop to discuss the contents of the draft NUREG and to solicit comments.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Draft NUREG-1560 (Volume 2, Parts 2-5) is available for inspection and copying for a fee at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street N.W. (Lower Level), Washington D.C. 20555-0001. A free single copy of Draft NUREG-1560 (Volume 2, Parts 2-5), to the extent of supply, may be requested by writing to Distribution Series, Printing and Mail Services Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Draft NUREG-1560 provides perspectives gained from the review of the IPEs submitted in response to Generic Letter 88-20. Five major objectives were pursued in documenting perspectives from the reviews:

(1) The impact of the IPE program on reactor safety—

- The number and type of vulnerabilities or other safety issues that have been identified, and the related safety enhancements that have been implemented,

- The impact that the improvements have had on plant safety, and

- Whether any of these improvements have "generic" implications for all or a class of plants.

(2) Plant-specific features and assumptions that play a significant role in the estimation of core damage frequency (CDF) and the analysis of containment performance—

- Important design and operational features that affect CDF and containment performance, with regard to the different reactor and containment types,

- The influence of the IPE methodology and assumptions on the results, with regard to the different reactor and containment types, and

- Significant plant improvements to reduce CDF and increase containment performance, with regard to the different reactor and containment types.

(3) The importance of the operator's role in CDF estimation and containment performance analysis—

- Operator actions that are consistently important in the IPEs,
- Operator actions that are important because of plant-specific characteristics, and

- Influence of modeling assumptions and different methodologies on the results.

(4) IPEs with respect to risk-informed regulation—

- Quality of the IPEs, given the limited scope of the staff's review, compared to a quality probabilistic risk assessment, and therefore, the potential role of the IPEs in risk-informed regulation.

(5) General Perspectives—

- The implication of the IPE results relative to the current risk level of U.S. plants compared with the Commission's Safety Goals,

- The improvements that have been identified as a result of the Station Blackout Rule and analyzed as part of the IPE, and the impact of these improvements on reducing the likelihood of station blackout,

- The results of the IPEs compared with the perspectives gained from NUREG-1150.

Draft NUREG-1560 also documents the staff's preliminary overall conclusions and observations gained from the perspectives of each of the above noted areas. These conclusions and observations address the following:

- Generic Letter 88-20 objective (including improvement of plant safety)
- Regulatory follow-up activities

—Plant safety enhancements

—Containment performance improvements

—Additional review of IPE/PRA

—Plants with relatively high CDF or conditional containment failure probability

- Safety issues

—Unresolved safety issue (USI) A-45

—Other USIs and generic safety issues (GSIs)

—Potential GSIs

- Plant inspection activities

- Areas for research

- Commission's Safety Goals

- Use of NUREG-1560

—Accident management

—Maintenance rule

—Risk-informed regulation

—Miscellaneous issues

- Probabilistic risk analysis (PRA)

Draft NUREG-1560 is comprised of two volumes. Volume 1 (Part 1) provides an overall summary of the key perspectives (published October 1996). Volume 2 (Parts 2 through 5) provides a more in-depth discussion of the perspectives summarized in Part 1.

The staff recognizes that licensees have updated their IPEs/PRA's which may have an impact on the perspectives discussed in the draft NUREG, and therefore, the preliminary conclusions and observations noted by the staff. Accuracy of the reported results in the IPEs and the appropriateness of the interpretation of these results will also have a potential impact on the staff's perspectives, conclusions and observations. Consequently, this NUREG is published as a draft for comment. All interested parties are encouraged to submit comments.

Mail comments on Draft NUREG-1560 (Volumes 1 and 2) by February 14, 1997 to Mary Drouin, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Mail Stop T-10 E50, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

**Workshop Meeting Information:** A 3-day workshop will be held to address comments and answer questions. Persons other than NRC staff and NRC contractors interested in making a presentation at the workshop should