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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Meeting Notice

In accordance with the purposes of sections 29 and 182b. of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232b), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards will hold a meeting on November 4-6, 1999, in Conference Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The date of this meeting was previously published in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, November 18, 1998 (63 FR 64105).

Thursday, November 4, 1999

8:30 A.M.-9:15 A.M.: Preparation for Meeting with the Commission (Open)—The Committee will discuss topics proposed for meeting with the NRC Commissioners: Risk-Informing 10 CFR part 50; Risk-Informing 10 CFR 50.59; Relationship and Balance Between PRA Results and Defense-in-Depth; Strategy for Reviewing License Renewal Applications; NRC Safety Research Program; Multiple Structures, Systems, and Components (SSCs) out of Service During Maintenance; High Burnup Fuel Phenomena Identification and Ranking; and Low-Power and Shutdown Operations Risk.

9:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M.: Meeting with the Commission (Open)—The Committee will meet with the NRC Commissioners at the Commissioners' Conference Room, One White Flint North, to discuss the items noted above.

1:00 P.M.-1:15 P.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

1:15 P.M.-2:45 P.M.: Proposed Revision to Section 11 of NUMARC 93-01, Assessment of Risk Resulting from Performance of Maintenance Activities (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and NRC staff regarding proposed revision to Section 11 of NUMARC 93-01.

3:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.: NRC Safety Research Program Report to the Commission (Open)—The Committee will discuss the proposed ACRS report to the Commission on the NRC Safety Research Program and related matters.

5:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M.: Break and Preparation of Draft ACRS Reports (Open)—Cognizant ACRS members will prepare draft reports for consideration by the full Committee.

6:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M.: Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports, including those on: Proposed Resolution of Generic Safety Issue-148, "Smoke Control and Manual Fire Fighting Effectiveness"; and Proposed Regulatory Guide on Design Bases Information; as well as the Joint ACRS/ACNW Report on the Proposed Framework for Risk-Informed Regulation in the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

Friday, November 5, 1999

8:30 A.M.-8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 A.M.-10:00 A.M.: Proposed Changes to the Design Control Document Associated with the AP600 Design (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and Westinghouse Electric Company regarding proposed changes to the Design Control Document related to the AP600 design and the associated NRC staff's evaluation.

10:15 A.M.-11:45 A.M.: Spent Fuel Fire Risk Associated with Decommissioning (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the status of staff activities related to assessing the spent fuel fire risk associated with decommissioning, spent fuel pool risk assessment study, and related matters.

12:45 P.M.-1:45 P.M.: Status of Resolution of Issues Associated with the Design Bases Information (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) regarding the status of resolution of the differences between the NRC staff and NEI related to NEI 97-04 document, "Design Bases Program Guidelines."

1:45 P.M.-2:15 P.M.: Future ACRS Activities (Open)—The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings.

2:30 P.M.-3:00 P.M.: Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open)—The Committee will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures

Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business.

3:00 P.M.-3:15 P.M.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations (Open)—The Committee will discuss the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters. The EDO responses are expected to be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting.

3:15 P.M.-4:15 P.M.: Break and Preparation of Draft ACRS Reports (Open)—Cognizant ACRS members will prepare draft reports for consideration by the full Committee.

4:15 P.M.-7:00 P.M.: Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

Saturday, November 6, 1999

8:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M.: Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

2:00 P.M.-2:30 P.M.: Miscellaneous (Open)—The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and 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 ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on September 28, 1999 (64 FR 52353). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written views may be presented by members of the public, including representatives of the nuclear industry. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during the open portions of the meeting and questions may be asked only by members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Mr. Sam Duraiswamy, ACRS, five days before the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting may be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the Chairman.

Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting Mr. Sam Duraiswamy prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with Mr. Sam Duraiswamy if such

rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled 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. Sam Duraiswamy (telephone 301/415-7364), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., EDT.

ACRS meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available for downloading or viewing on the internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW>.

Videoteleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACRS meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACRS meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACRS Audio Visual Technician (301-415-8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. EDT at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service. Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment facilities that they use to establish the videoteleconferencing link. The availability of videoteleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

The ACRS meeting dates for Calendar Year 2000 are provided below:

ACRS Meeting No. and Meeting Date

—	January 2000—No meeting
469	February 3-5, 2000
470	March 2-4, 2000
471	April 6-8, 2000
472	May 11-13, 2000
473	June 7-9, 2000
474	July 12-14, 2000
—	August 2000—No meeting
475	August 30—September 1, 2000
476	October 5-7, 2000
477	November 2-4, 2000
478	December 7-9, 2000

Dated: October 7, 1999.

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Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Weeks of October 11, 18, 25, and November 1, 1999.

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

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of October 11

Thursday, October 14

11:30 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed).

Week of October 18—Tentative

Wednesday, October 20

9:25 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed).

9:30 a.m. Meeting with Organization of Agreement States (OAS) and Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD) (Public Meeting) (Contact: Paul Lohaus, 301-415-3340).

Thursday, October 21

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Part 35—Rule on Medical Use of Byproduct Material (Public Meeting) (Contact: Cathy Haney, 301-415-6825) (SECY-99-201, *Draft Final Rule—10 CFR Part 35, Medical Use of Byproduct Material*, is available in the NRC Public Document Room or on NRC web site at: "www.prc.gov/NRC/COMMISSION/SECYS/index.html") Download the zipped version to obtain all attachments).

Week of October 25—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 25.

Week of November 1—Tentative

Thursday, November 4

9:25 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed).

9:30 a.m. Meeting with Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) (Public Meeting) (Contact: John Larkins, 301-415-7360).

* 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>.

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schedule electronically, please send an electronic message to wmh@nrc.gov or dkw@nrc.gov.

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SECY Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs; Estimating Paperwork Burden

AGENCY: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice of reevaluation of OMB guidance on estimating paperwork burden.

SUMMARY: The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) seeks to ensure that Federal agencies balance their need to collect information with the paperwork burden imposed on the public in complying with the collection. Agencies must estimate the burdens that their individual collections impose on the public. The public learns of these burden estimates by PRA notices that agencies publish in the **Federal Register** and with the forms used for collection.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has begun a preliminary reevaluation of its guidance to agencies on estimating and reporting paperwork burden. As part of this effort, OMB seeks comment on how to increase the uniformity, accuracy, and comprehensiveness of agency burden measurement. Based on comments that OMB receives, as well as its experience in evaluating agency burden estimates, OMB will prepare (and seek additional comment on) a more detailed proposal to revise its guidance to agencies on estimating and reporting paperwork burden. OMB will consider comments on its proposal before finalizing its burden guidance.

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before January 12, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10202, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20503. Comments received on this notice will be available for public inspection and copying at the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs