

- background, pollutant sources, and the potential for degradation;
- Noise*: Addressing ambient noises, sources, and sensitive receptors;
- Historical and Cultural Resources*: Addressing historical, archaeological, and traditional cultural resources;
- Visual and Scenic Resources*: Addressing landscape characteristics, man-made features and viewshed;
- Socioeconomics*: Addressing the demography, economic base, labor pool, housing, transportation, utilities, public services/facilities, education, recreation, and cultural resources;
- Environmental Justice*: Addressing the potential disproportionately high and adverse impacts to minority and low-income populations; and
- Cumulative Effects*: Addressing the impacts from past, present, and reasonably foreseeable actions at and near the site.

The examples under each resource area are not intended to be all inclusive, nor is this list an indication that environmental impacts will occur. The list is presented to facilitate comments on the scope of the GEIS. Additions to, or deletions from, this list may occur as a result of the public scoping process.

4.0 Scoping Meetings

This NOI is to encourage public involvement in the GEIS process and to solicit public comments on the proposed scope and content of the GEIS. NRC will hold public scoping meetings as described above to solicit both oral and written comments from interested parties.

Scoping is an early and open process designed to determine the range of actions, alternatives, and potential impacts to be considered in the GEIS, and to identify the significant issues related to the proposed action. Scoping is intended to solicit input from the public and other agencies so that the analysis can be more clearly focused on issues of genuine concern. The principal goals of the scoping process are to:

- Identify public concerns;
- Ensure that concerns are identified early and are properly studied;
- Identify alternatives that will be examined;
- Identify significant issues that need to be analyzed; and
- Eliminate unimportant issues.

The scoping meetings will begin with NRC staff providing a description of NRC's role and mission followed by a brief overview of NRC's environmental review process and goals of the scoping meeting. The bulk of the meeting will be allotted for attendees to make oral comments.

5.0 Scoping Comments

Written comments should be mailed to the address listed above in the **ADDRESSES** section. The NRC staff will prepare a scoping summary report in which it will summarize public comments. The NRC will make the scoping summary report and project-related materials available for public review through its electronic reading room: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Further, an NRC Web site will be established in the near future to keep the public abreast of the current schedule and to post important documents.

6.0 The NEPA Process

The GEIS will be prepared according to NEPA and NRC's NEPA implementing regulations contained in 10 CFR part 51.

After the scoping process is complete, the NRC will prepare a draft GEIS. The draft GEIS is scheduled to be published by April 2008. A 45-day comment period on the draft GEIS is planned, and a public meeting(s) to receive comments will be held approximately three weeks after publication of the draft GEIS. Availability of the draft GEIS, the dates of the public comment period, and information about the public meeting will be announced in the **Federal Register**, on NRC's Web page, and in the local news media. The final GEIS is expected to be published in January 2009 and will incorporate, as appropriate, public comments received on the draft GEIS.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 20th day of July, 2007.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Sunshine Act Meetings

DATE: Weeks of July 23, 30, August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2007.

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

STATUS: Public and closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of July 23, 2007

Tuesday, July 24, 2007

- 9:30 a.m. Preparation for the 2008 Convention on Nuclear Safety (closed—ex. 9).
- 1:55 p.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (Tentative).
 - a. Request for Reconsideration of the Wording of 10 CFR Sec. 26.205(D)(4) as Affirmed on April 17, 2007 (Tentative).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

- 2 p.m. Briefing on Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (Public Meeting). (Contact: Michael Markley, (301) 415-5723).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

Wednesday, July 25, 2007

- 9:30 a.m. Continuation of Discussion of Security Issues (closed—ex. 1 & 3) held Wednesday, July 18, 2007.
- 2 p.m. Discussion of Management Issues (closed—ex. 2).

Week of July 30, 2007—Tentative

Thursday, August 2, 2007

- 1:30 p.m. Briefing on Risk-Informed, Performance-Based Regulation (Public Meeting). (Contact: John Monninger, (301) 415-6189).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of August 6, 2007—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of August 6, 2007.

Week of August 13, 2007—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of August 13, 2007.

Week of August 20, 2007—Tentative

Tuesday, August 21, 2007

- 1:30 p.m. Meeting with OAS and CRCPD (Public Meeting). (Contact: Shawn Smith, (301) 415-2620).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

Wednesday, August 22, 2007

- 9:30 a.m. Periodic Briefing on New Reactor Issues (Morning Session) (Public Meeting). (Contact: Donna Williams, (301) 415-1322).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

- 1:30 p.m. Periodic Briefing on New Reactor Issues (Afternoon Session) (Public Meeting). (Contact: Donna Williams, (301) 415-1322).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address, <http://www.nrc.gov>.

Week of August 27, 2007—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of August 27, 2007.

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*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: Michelle Schroll, (301) 415-1662.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/policy-making/schedule.html>.

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Dated: July 19, 2007.

R. Michelle Schroll,

Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Draft Regulatory Guide; Issuance, Availability

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft Regulatory Guide—Issuance, Availability.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued for public comment a draft guide in the agency's Regulatory Guide Series. This series has been developed to describe and make available to the public such information as methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the NRC's regulations, techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

The draft regulatory guide, entitled "Managing the Safety/Security Interface," is temporarily identified by its task number, DG-5021, which should be mentioned in all related correspondence.

This draft regulatory guide provides an approach acceptable to the NRC for managing the safety/security interface at nuclear power plants. Title 10, Section 73.58, of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR part 73), "Physical Protection of Plants and Materials," requires NRC licensees to assess and manage safety and security activities. If implemented by licensees, the approach and examples described in this guidance would provide reasonable assurance of adequate protection for the interface of safety and security, but are not intended to be all-inclusive, and licensees may employ alternative methods for implementing NRC regulations. This draft regulatory guide would be applicable to operating reactors licensed in accordance with 10 CFR Parts 50 and 52, and new applicants should consider this guidance in preparing an application for a combined license (COL) under 10 CFR Part 52. The licensee bears sole responsibility for ensuring that the potential for adverse effects on safety and security is managed and assessed to provide adequate protection of public health and safety, protection of the environment, and common defense and security. Licensee questions regarding regulatory requirements for the management of safety/security interface should be directed to the appropriate NRC Headquarters or Regional staff.

II. Further Information

The NRC staff is soliciting comments on Draft Regulatory Guide DG-5021. Comments may be accompanied by relevant information or supporting data, and should mention DG-5021 in the subject line. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available to the public in their

entirety through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). Personal information will not be removed from your comments. You may submit comments by any of the following methods.

1. *Mail comments to:* Rulemaking, Directives, and Editing Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

2. *E-mail comments to:* NRCREP@nrc.gov. You may also submit comments via the NRC's rulemaking Web site at <http://ruleforum.llnl.gov>. Address questions about our rulemaking Web site to Carol A. Gallagher (301) 415-5905; e-mail CAG@nrc.gov.

3. *Hand-deliver comments to:* Rulemaking, Directives, and Editing Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays.

4. *Fax comments to:* Rulemaking, Directives, and Editing Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at (301) 415-5144.

Requests for technical information about Draft Regulatory Guide DG-5021 may be directed to Peter Lee, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Telephone (301) 415-8111 or e-mail PSL1@nrc.gov.

Comments would be most helpful if received by September 25, 2007. Comments received after that date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

Electronic copies of Draft Regulatory Guide DG-5021 are available through the NRC's public Web site under Draft Regulatory Guides in the Regulatory Guides document collection of the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/>.

In addition, regulatory guides are available for inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), which is located at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The PDR's mailing address is USNRC PDR, Washington, DC 20555-0001. The PDR can also be reached by telephone at (301) 415-4737 or (800) 397-4209, by fax at (301) 415-3548, and by e-mail to PDR@nrc.gov.

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