

(Open): The Committee will discuss topics of mutual interest for ACRS meeting with the NRC Commissioners that is scheduled for Friday, October 20, 2006.

4:15 p.m.–7 p.m.: *Preparation of ACRS Reports* (Open/Closed): The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

**Saturday, September 9, 2006,
Conference Room T-2b3, Two White
Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.: *Preparation of ACRS Reports* (Open): The Committee will continue discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

12:30 p.m.–1 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 29, 2005 (70 FR 56936). In accordance with those 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. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Cognizant ACRS staff named below 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 the 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 the Cognizant ACRS staff 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 the Cognizant ACRS staff if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

In accordance with subsection 10(d) Public Law 92–463, I have determined that it will be necessary to close a portion of this meeting noted above to discuss and protect information classified as National Security information as well as safeguards information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and (3).

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, as

well as 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, Cognizant ACRS staff (301–415–7364), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., ET. ACRS meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available through the NRC Public Document Room at pdrc@nrc.gov, or by calling the PDR at 1–800–397–4209, or from the Publicly Available Records System (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS) which is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/> (ACRS & ACNW Mtg schedules/agendas).

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., ET, 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 and facilities that they use to establish the videoteleconferencing link. The availability of videoteleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: August 7, 2006.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on September 6, 2006, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b (c) (2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of the ACRS, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

*Wednesday, September 6, 2006, 11
a.m.–12 Noon*

The Subcommittee will discuss proposed ACRS activities and related matters. The Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official, Mr. Sam Duraiswamy (telephone: 301–415–7364) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (ET) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public.

Further information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Official between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (ET). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual at least two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes in the agenda.

Dated: August 7, 2006.

Antonio F. Dias,

Acting Branch Chief, ACRS/ACNW.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Subcommittee on Early Site Permits; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Early Site Permits will hold a meeting on September 6, 2006, Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

*Wednesday, September 6, 2006—1 p.m.
Until the Conclusion of Business*

The Subcommittee will review and develop "Lessons-Learned" items as a result of the three (North Anna, Grand Gulf, and Clinton) early site permits reviews. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff, Dominion Nuclear North Anna, LLC (Dominion), System Energy Resources, Inc. (SERI), Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Exelon), Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. (Southern), and other interested persons regarding this matter. The

Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official, Mr. David C. Fischer (telephone 301/415-6889) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Electronic recordings will be permitted.

Further information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Official between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (ET). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual at least two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes to the agenda.

Dated: August 7, 2006.

Antonio F. Dias,

Acting Branch Chief, ACRS/ACNW.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Probable Effect of Modifications to the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement To Accelerate the Reduction of Tariffs on Certain Articles and Modify the Rule of Origin Rule for One Article

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

SUMMARY: The United States Trade Representative (USTR) is requesting public input as to the probable effect certain modifications to tariff treatment of imports under the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement on total U.S. trade, domestic producers, and workers in the affected industries. Specifically, USTR is evaluating proposals to accelerate the planned reduction in duties on nutritionals, peanuts, and polycarbonates of Singapore and to modify the rule of origin for photocopiers of Singapore. In addition, USTR is soliciting proposals regarding what sort of concessions Singapore, which does not impose duties on imports from the United States, could make to maintain the balance of concessions if these tariff acceleration requests are approved.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information may be obtained from Jeri Jensen, Office of Southeast Asia and the Pacific and Pharmaceutical Policy (202-395-6851). The electronic mail address for any submissions is

fr0625@ustr.eop.gov. General information about USTR may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.ustr.gov>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (USSFTA), the United States and Singapore have agreed to enter into consultations to consider acceleration of the reduction or elimination of tariffs on certain items and a change to the rule of origin for an item. In accordance with Article 2.2.3 of the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement, the Parties are authorized to accelerate tariff reduction or elimination on a faster schedule than required in the Agreement. In accordance with Article 3.18.2 of the USSFTA, the United States and Singapore consult regularly to discuss necessary amendments to the USSFTA's rules of origin. Article 20.1.2(d) of the USSFTA authorizes the Joint Committee, which is composed of the designates of the U.S. Trade Representative and Singapore's Minister of Trade and Industry, to consider and adopt amendments to the agreement. Under Section 201(b) of United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Act), 19 U.S.C. 3805, note, the President is authorized to proclaim modifications in duty treatment or continuation of any duty that the President considers to be necessary or appropriate to maintain the general level of reciprocal and mutually advantageous concessions, subject to the Act's consultation and layover requirements. In accordance with the Act, USTR will request advice regarding the potential impact of the proposed actions from the U.S. International Trade Commission.

USTR is specifically interested in determining the probable economic effect of accelerating the reduction of U.S. duties on three products and of changing the USSFTA rules of origin for photocopiers (HS 9009.1200) on domestic industries producing like or directly competitive articles, workers in these industries, and on consumers of the affected goods. The three products potentially subject to accelerated tariff reduction are nutritionals "preparations for infant use, put up for retail sale" (HS 1901.10), peanuts in snack products (HS 2008.11), and polycarbonates (HS 3907.40.00). A list of the proposed modifications to the tariff reduction schedules is available from the Office of Southeast Asia and Pacific and Pharmaceutical Policy.

Written Submissions: No public hearing is being scheduled in connection with this request. However,

interested parties are invited to submit written statements concerning any economic effects of the proposed modifications. In order to facilitate prompt consideration, USTR requests electronic mail (e-mail) submission of any statements submitted in response to this notice. E-mail submissions should be single copy transmissions, and use the following e-mail subject line: "Acceleration in Duty Reduction Under USSFTA." Documents should be submitted as WordPerfect ("*.WPD"), MS Word ("*.DOC"), or text ("*.TXT") files. Documents should not be submitted as electronic image files or contain imbedded images (for example, "*.JPG", "*.TIF", "*.PDF", "*.BMP", or "*.GIF") as these files are often excessively large. Supporting documentation submitted in spreadsheets form is acceptable in Quattro Pro or Excel, pre-formatted for printing on 8½ × 11 inch paper. To the extent possible, any data attachments to the submission should be included in the same file as the submission itself, and not as separate files. E-mail submissions should not include separate cover letters or messages in the body of the e-mail. Information that might appear in any cover letter should be included directly in the attached file containing the submission itself, including the identity of the submitter and the submitter's e-mail address.

Commercial or financial information that a submitter desires USTR to hold in confidence must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked at the top and bottom as "Confidential Business Information". For any document containing business confidential information submitted as an electronic file attached to an e-mail transmission, in addition to the proper marking at the top and bottom of each page as previously specified, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC-", and the file name of the public version should begin with the characters "P-". The "P-" or "BC-" should be followed by the name of the person or party submitting the document. All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested parties. To ensure consideration by USTR, all statements must be received no later than the close of business on September 15, 2006. All submissions should be submitted by electronic mail (e-mail) to: FR0625@ustr.eop.gov. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to USTR or who are otherwise unable to submit comments by e-mail should