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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
Items of Interest
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Monthly National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 805 Frequently Asked Questions Meeting

On February 19, 2009, the staff participated in a monthly NFPA 805 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Meeting (Category 2) with representatives from Nuclear Energy Institute NFPA 805 Task Force, other stakeholders, and the public, to discuss the FAQs related to the adoption of NFPA 805. The staff began holding these monthly public meetings in July 2006, and expects to continue holding them throughout the transition period to the new licensing basis.

Public Meetings to Solicit Comments on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for the License Renewal of Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (TMI-1)

On February 24, 2009, the staff conducted two meetings in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to solicit comments from the public on the DSEIS, regarding the TMI-1 license renewal review. The Draft Supplement 37, issued December 2, 2008, is a site-specific supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants (NUREG-1437). Approximately 50 people attended the meetings, including members of the public and representatives of the NRC staff, Exelon Generation Company, LLC, State environmental agencies, local citizen organizations, and local news media. Public comments and questions focused on spent fuel storage and disposal, radiation health, design basis accidents and aircraft impacts, climate change, water use, plant refurbishment, and environmental justice.

As part of the public outreach effort the staff held an open house for one hour prior to the start of each meeting. The open house provided members of the public with an opportunity to talk informally with NRC staff and view informational displays and brochures.

The public comment period ends on March 4, 2009. At the conclusion of the comment period, the staff will evaluate the comments received and revise the DSEIS if appropriate. The final supplemental environmental impact statement is scheduled to be published in July, 2009.

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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Public Phone Meetings on Requests for Additional Information Regarding the Yucca Mountain License Application

On February 18 and 19, 2009, NRC staff held public phone calls with the U.S. Department of Energy staff on Request for Additional Information regarding the Yucca Mountain License Application. The public was able to listen to both calls through teleconference connections.

Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME)
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Public Availability of NUREG-1814, Revision 2 "Status of Decommissioning Program – 2008 Annual Report"

On February 25, 2009, NUREG-1814, Revision 2, "Status of Decommissioning Program – 2008 Annual Report," became available to the public via the NRC public website. The report provides a comprehensive overview of the NRC's decommissioning program. The report provides a stand-alone reference document that describes the decommissioning process and summarizes the current status of all decommissioning activities, including the decommissioning of complex decommissioning sites, commercial reactors, research and test reactors, uranium mill tailings facilities, and fuel cycle facilities.

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Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)
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Meeting with the Center for Chemical Process Safety (CCPS) of the American Institute for Chemical Engineers (AIChE) on Data Collection for Human Reliability Analysis (HRA)

On February 20, 2009, staff met with AIChE/CCPS at the NRC Church Street building to exchange information about the potential collaboration on HRA data collection and exchange. The CCPS is interested in using NRC's Human Event Repository and Analysis system for its member plants to report the human performance information of their events to support the CCPS' efforts on quantitative risk assessment. The information that CCPS staff gathered will be reported back to CCPS board members for further decisions.

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Office of Administration (ADM)
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Protection of Safeguards Information; Correction (10 CFR Part 30, RIN 3150-AH57)

On February 20, 2009, the NRC published a document (74 FR 7785) in the *Federal Register* that corrected the final rule amending the regulations for the protection of Safeguards Information. The amendment was necessary to correct a situation where amendatory instructions in two separate actions affecting the same provision would have resulted in codified text being removed unintentionally.

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Office of Information Services (OIS)
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of February 20, 2009 through February 26, 2009:

Lean Six Sigma report of the Office of Investigations Program	FOIA/PA-2009-0090
Communications between NRC and U.S. Geological Survey January 1, 2004 and October 31, 2008, regarding sea level rising or tidal surges	FOIA/PA-2009-0091
Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation's decommissioning plan detailed records of billings since 2005 by year	FOIA/PA-2009-0092
Risk assessment of super eruptions from Yellowstone or Long Valley and the mitigation measures appropriate to such events	FOIA/PA-2009-0093
Decommissioning and/or decommissioning funds of Indian Point, Fitzpatrick, Vermont Yankee, Pilgrim and/or Palisades facilities, communications between NRC and Entergy, TLG Services from October 28, 2008 and February 28, 2009	FOIA/PA-2009-0094
Office of Investigations case 4-2007-049, Exhibit 39, dated April 22, 2008	FOIA/PA-2009-0095
Radioactive material licenses/permits on companies in specific cities in Los Angeles and Orange counties within a 25 mile radius of Los Angeles Air Station	FOIA/PA-2009-0096
Non-power reactor license R-110, docket 50-284, summary of by-product materials transferred from initial criticality 1971, through 1993; 1993 report from Region IV to Deputy U.S. Attorney, State of Idaho	FOIA/PA-2009-0097

Office of Human Resources (HR)
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Arrivals		
Foulke, Larry	Administrative Judge	ASLBP
Hufham, James	Emergency Response Specialist	RII
Lochbaum, David	Reactor Technology Instructor	HR
Meyer, David	Dep Dir, Div of Administrative Services	ADM
Park, Dong Hwa	Operations Sys Eng (Emergency Response Officer)	NSIR
Paulsen, Alice	General Engineer (NSPDP)	NRR
Shemanski, Paul	Senior Electrical Engineer	NRO
Retirements		
Caldwell, James	Regional Administrator	RIII
Dickerson, Susan	Branch Chief	RES
Keeling, Betsy	Associate Director	OCA
Knapp, Paul	Senior Health Physicist	HR
Nelson, David	Senior Project Manager	NRR
Departures		
Fabian, Gregory	Senior Project Manager (ADAMS)	OIS
Fernandes, Ricardo	Senior Resident Inspector (BWR/TL)	RI
Gonzalez-Pizarro, Rafael	Student Engineer (CO-OP)	RES
Osgood, Nancy	Senior Project Manager	NMSS
Schwarzkopf, Michael	Construction Inspector	RII
Sexton, Cynthia	Civil Rights Specialist	SBCR
Uleck, Ronald	Cost Analyst	NRR

Office of Public Affairs (OPA)
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OPA Received Significant Media Inquiries on the Following:

NRC's review of the license transfer application for the Calvert Cliffs nuclear power plant in Maryland.

President Obama's budget; impacts on funding for Yucca Mountain project and the implications for the NRC's waste confidence rule.

Request for information on which states have some sort of "ban" on the construction of new nuclear plants.

Status of the license renewal application for the Vermont Yankee nuclear plant near Burlington, Vermont.

Press Releases:	
Headquarters:	
09-037	NRC 21st Annual Regulatory Information Conference March 10-12 to Focus on Safety and Knowledge Sharing (2/26)
09-038	NRC Extends Comment Period to April 6 on Environmental Issues for Summer New Reactor Application (2/26)
Regions:	
IV-09-002	NRC Conducting Special Inspection at Cooper Nuclear Stations (2/23)
IV-09-003	NRC Issues Confirmatory Order to Schlumberger Technology Corporation