

# INFORMATION REPORT

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)  
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H\* Meeting with Industry

On April 3, 2009, a public meeting was held with the industry to discuss the technical basis for limiting the scope of steam generator tube inspections in the tubesheet region of certain Westinghouse designed steam generators. Significant progress has been made over the last 15 months in addressing NRC staff issues with the original proposal.

Point Beach Units 1 and 2 Extended Power Uprate (EPU) Application

By application dated April 7, 2009, the licensee requested a 17% EPU for Point Beach Units 1 and 2. The application requests NRC approval by April 7, 2010. NRC's standard review time for an EPU is 12 months after NRC's acceptance of the application. The licensee indicated that they followed the guidance in NRC Review Standard (RS)-001, "Review Standard for Extended Power Uprates" in developing its application. The NRC staff will be conducting an acceptance review of the application.

Issuance of the Renewed Operating License for Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station

On April 8, 2009, the operating license for the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station, located in Lacey Township, New Jersey, was renewed authorizing operation for an additional 20 years. The new license expiration date is April 9, 2029. AmerGen Energy Company, LLC, a subsidiary of Exelon Nuclear Generation Company, LLC, submitted the license renewal application to the NRC on July 22, 2005. The staff completed the safety review as documented in the safety evaluation report, NUREG 1875, Volumes 1 and 2, dated April 30, 2007, and the safety evaluation report supplement, NUREG 1875, supplement 1, dated September 30, 2008. The staff's environmental review is documented in the supplemental environmental impact statement, NUREG 1437, supplement 28, dated January 31, 2007.

Oyster Creek is the 52nd reactor license renewed by the NRC. Thirteen other applications are under review.

Office of Information Services (OIS)  
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of April 3, 2009 through April 9, 2009:

Nuclear medical license for Digirad, Digirad Imaging Solutions, Digirad Mobile Solutions, UltraScan, Antiqua Medical Services, Nuclear Imaging Services, Orion Imaging Systems, Pacific Medical Imaging, 13950 Stowe Drive, Poway, California	FOIA/PA-2009-0128
Three Mile Island Unit 1 Steam Generator, number of failed welds, all nuclides detected in water/concentration, from 1986	FOIA/PA-2009-0129
Allegation RIV-2002-A-0151 including correspondence between NRC and named individual	FOIA/PA-2009-0130
Emissions of radon or other hazardous air pollutants from evaporation ponds of licensed (previously licensed) facilities in Wyoming, correspondence between NRC, the Environmental Protection Agency and uranium recovery operators, data logs	FOIA/PA-2009-0131
Vermont Yankee spent fuel accountability reports from 2004 to present	FOIA/PA-2009-0132
Tritium exit signs, entities regulated by NRC registered as having 200 or more signs	FOIA/PA-2009-0133
RIV-2008-A-0117, investigation of loose bolts on a battery to breaker connection	FOIA/PA-2009-0134
Sylvania Electric Products Company, Bayside, New York, accident on July 2, 1956	FOIA/PA-2009-0135
Westinghouse's Standard Design Certification application for the AP1000 design, Combined License applications and supporting documentation	FOIA/PA-2009-0136

Office of Human Resources (HR)  
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<b>Arrivals</b>		
Ahmed, Sardar	Mechanical Engineer	NRO
Heslep, Jonathan	Criminal Investigator	OIG
Riffle, Ashley	Student Co-Op General Scientist	FSME
Riley, Timothy	Congressional Affairs Officer	OCA
<b>Departures</b>		
Finerfrock, James	Attorney	OGC
Marchese, Richard	Detailed from HUD	RI
McCune, Timothy	Senior Security Specialist	NSIR
Morris, George	Consultant	NRR

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

The NRC's decision authorizing Oyster Creek nuclear power plant (New Jersey) operating license renewal

Status of license renewal application of the Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant, located near Battleboro, Vermont, and Vermont Yankee's annual assessment

Role of the NRC related to storage of chemical waste being investigated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at Honeywell's uranium conversion facility in Metropolis, Illinois

Other Public Affairs Items

OPA coordinated an interview of Commissioner Peter Lyons by Katsuhiko Suetsugu, a Japanese freelance journalist and secretary general of the Asia-Pacific Energy Forum, on nuclear plant safety and NRC regulation.

OPA facilitated Federal News Radio's telephone interview of Darren Ash, Chief Information Officer, on cyber security, the National Source Tracking System and other information technology challenges facing the NRC.

OPA arranged for students from Dutchess County (New York) Community College to interview NRC Region I technical staff for preparation of a documentary about the Indian Point nuclear power plant, located near New York City, New York.

OPA assisted the North County News (Westchester, New Jersey) in obtaining information from NRC staff about Entergy's relief requests on reactor vessel weld examinations for the Indian Point Units 2 and 3.

<b>Press Releases</b>	
<b>Headquarters:</b>	
09-063	NRC Meeting April 23 in Homestead, Florida, to Discuss Review Process for Expected New Reactor Application (04/07)
09-064	NRC Seeks Public Input on Environmental Review of Crystal River Nuclear Plant License Renewal; Meetings April 16 (04/07)
09-065	Stephen G. Burns Named NRC General Counsel (04/08)
09-066	NRC Approves Proposal to Continue Distributing Potassium Iodide Near Nuclear Power Plants as an Emergency Preparedness Measure (04/08)
09-067	NRC Renews Operating License for Oyster Creek Nuclear Power Plant for an Additional 20 Years (04/08)

09-068	Licensing Board to Hear Oral Argument April 20-21 in Levy County New Nuclear Reactor Application (04/09)
09-069	NRC Honors Employees on April 9 in Rockville, Maryland (04/09)
09-070	NRC Seeks Public Input on Environmental Review of Duane Arnold Nuclear Plant License Renewal; Meetings April 22 (04/10)
<b>Regions:</b>	
I-09-020	NRC to Hold Public Meeting on April 14 in Delta, Pennsylvania, to Discuss Annual Assessment of Peach Bottom Nuclear Power Plant (04/07)
I-09-021	NRC to Hold Public Meetings on April 16 In Brattleboro, Vermont, to Discuss Vermont Yankee Nuclear Plant Annual Assessment (04/09)
III-09-009	NRC to Discuss 2008 Performance Assessment for LaSalle Nuclear Power Plant Unit 1 and 2 (04/10)
IV-09-011	NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss the 2008 Performance of River Bend Nuclear Station (04/06)
IV-09-012	NRC to Discuss 2008 Performance Assessment for Fort Calhoun Nuclear Plant (04/08)

Office of the Secretary (SECY)  
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
<b>Decision Documents</b>		
1. SRM-SECY-09-0041	04/07/09	Recommendation for Future Replenishment of Potassium Iodide
Commission Voting Record on SECY-09-0041	04/07/09	(same)
<b>Information Papers</b>		
1. SECY-09-0053	04/06/09	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending March 27, 2009
2. SECY-08-0174	11/07/08	Fiscal Year 2009 Proposed Fee Rule and Advance Rulemaking for Grid-Appropriate Reactors Fees

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Congress, dated March 26, 2009, submits the No FEAR Act report to Congress.
2. Letter to Congress, dated March 24, 2009, submits the NRC fiscal year 2008 “Buy American” report.
3. Letter to Jim Gibbons, Governor of Nevada, dated March 23, 2009, request appointment of a State Liaison Officer to act as the State of North Carolina’s primary liaison to the NRC.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Notice. Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Involving Proposed No Significant Hazards Considerations and Containing Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information (SUNSI) or Safeguards Information and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to SUNSI or Safeguards Information.
2. 10 CFR Part 73, Requirements for Fingerprinting for Criminal History Record Checks of Individuals Granted Unescorted Access to Research and Test Reactors.
3. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures, notice of meeting (05/06/2009, p.m.).
4. ACRS, Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee, notice of meeting (05/05/2009, p.m.).
5. ACRS, Subcommittee Meeting on Regulatory Policies and Practices, notice of meeting (05/06/2009, p.m.).

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