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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
TO MEET IN BETHESDA, MD, MAY 13-15

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards will hold a technical meeting May 13-15 in Bethesda, MD.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in Room P-110, 7920 Norfolk Avenue.

As part of the meeting, the committee will meet with NRC Commissioners from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on May 14 at NRC headquarters, 11555 Rockville Pike, to discuss topics of mutual interest.

(ACRS meeting schedules are subject to change. Anyone planning to attend should confirm the schedule the day before the meeting by calling 301/492-8049.)

Although meetings of the ACRS are open to the public, they are not part of the NRC's public hearing process. The ACRS, an advisory group to the Commission, conducts independent, highly technical reviews of safety considerations related to nuclear facilities. While members of the public may attend the meeting, the committee will consider only oral or written statements limited to specific matters set forth in a Notice of Meeting published in the Federal Register on April 30.

On Thursday, May 13, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., the ACRS chairman will comment on items of current interest.

From 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss NRC schedules for review of advanced reactor designs.

From 9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss SECY-93-086, "Backfit Considerations."

From 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a draft report on proposed application of probabilistic risk assessment.

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From 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a proposed NRC staff plan for comparing safety goals with regulations.

From 2:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., the committee will meet with the NRC's Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation to discuss items of mutual interest.

From 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., the committee will discuss topics of mutual interest to be discussed with the NRC Commissioners.

From 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC.

On Friday, May 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss the form and content of a combined license application for a nuclear power plant.

From 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss boiling water reactor core power stability.

From 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a proposed resolution of generic issue 105, "Interfacing Systems Loss-of-Coolant Accident in Light-Water Reactors."

From 4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., the committee will discuss future ACRS activities.

From 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC.

On Saturday, May 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., the committee will discuss the status of ACRS subcommittee assignments, including the use of advanced computer graphics in the nuclear power plant design process and the status of issues associated with boiling water reactor vessel water-level instrumentation.

From 9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., the committee will discuss NRC staff responses to ACRS reports.

From 10:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC.

from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., the committee will discuss matters considered but not completed during previous meetings.

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The meeting may include closed sessions, if required, to discuss proprietary information.

Persons wishing to submit statements regarding the agenda may do so by providing a readily reproducible copy to the committee before the meeting or by mailing it to the Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555.

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(NOTE TO EDITORS: The use of self-contained tape recorders in the meeting room is permitted during open portions of the meeting when a transcript is being kept. The use of still, motion picture and television cameras, the physical installation and presence of which will not interfere with the course of the meeting, will be permitted both before and after the meeting, during any recess, and--at the discretion of the committee chairman--while the meeting is in session.)