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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS  
TO MEET IN BETHESDA, MD, DECEMBER 9-12

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards will hold a technical meeting December 9-12 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 the NRC Commissioners from 1:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on December 11 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 that will be published in the Federal Register on November 27.

On Wednesday, December 9, 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 12:00 noon, the committee will discuss a proposed amendment to the NRC's station blackout rule and the associated Regulatory Guide 1.9, Revision 3, regarding the reliability of diesel generators.

From 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss the status of the NRC's technical specifications improvement program.

From 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss the status of its review of the advanced boiling water reactor design.

On Thursday, December 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff and Gulf States Utilities Company to discuss the reliability monitoring program used at the River Bend nuclear power plant in Louisiana to improve the effectiveness of its maintenance program.

From 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss the status of its review of a petition to amend NRC rules to add lightning induced and other electrical transients to the list of phenomena for which licensed nuclear power plants must be designed.

From 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will discuss future ACRS activities.

From 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a proposed resolution of generic issue 120, "Online Testability of Protection Systems."

From 2:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the committee will discuss assigned ACRS subcommittee activities.

From 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., the committee will select its officers for calendar year 1993.

From 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed reports regarding items considered during this meeting.

On Friday, December 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., the committee will meet with the Director of the NRC's Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research to discuss the NRC's safety research program.

From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will meet to discuss topics to be considered at its meeting with the NRC Commissioners.

From 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC.

On Saturday, December 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed committee reports.

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 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.