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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE
TO MEET MAY 19-20 IN BETHESDA, MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting May 19-20 in Bethesda, MD.

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

(ACNW schedules are subject to change. Anyone planning to attend should confirm the schedule the day before the meeting by calling 301-492-4516.)

Although meetings of the ACNW are open to the public, they are not part of the NRC's public hearing process. The ACNW was established by the Commission in March 1988 to advise it on all aspects of nuclear waste management. 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 May 17.

On Wednesday, May 19, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., the ACNW chairman will comment on items of current interest.

From 8:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff and the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (CNWRA) to discuss the current status of a systematic regulatory analysis, conducted by CNWRA, and results of the analysis, including the development of a license application review plan for a high-level waste repository.

From 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a revised draft high-level radioactive waste research program plan.

From 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., the committee will continue discussions of the revised high-level waste research program plan.

From 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed activities and future meeting agenda.

On Thursday, May 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss Revision 1 of the Standard Review Plan for use in reviewing remedial action of inactive mill tailings sites.

From 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss its proposed Standard Review Plan for review of Department of Energy study plans.

From 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss NRC responses to DOE site characterization progress reports for the proposed Yucca (NV) Mountain waste repository.

From 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACNW reports to the NRC.

Persons wishing to submit a statement regarding the agenda may do so by providing a readily reproducible copy to the committee at the beginning of the meeting or by mailing it to the Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste, 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 direction of the committee chairman, while the meeting is in session.)