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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MD, JULY 13-15

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards has scheduled a technical meeting July 13-15 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in Conference Room T2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike.

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 anyone may attend, the committee will consider only oral or written statements arranged in advance and limited to specific matters set forth in a Notice of Meeting published in the Federal Register on June 21.

On Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., the ACRS chairman will making opening remarks.

From 8:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., the committee will meet with the NRC staff to discuss proposed revisions to NRC health effects valuation.

From 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will meet with the NRC's Executive Director for Operations and other Office Directors to discuss items of mutual interest, including risk/performance-based regulations; the use of probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) in the regulatory process and maintaining long-term technical capabilities.

From 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., the committee will discuss with the staff curricula of the NRC Technical Training Center, with emphasis in the areas of PRA and digital instrumentation and control systems.

From 2:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., the committee will discuss with the staff and members of the Boiling Water Reactor Owners Group proposed revisions to emergency procedure guidelines that were

developed to cope with an anticipated transient without scram event compounded by core power instability.

From 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., the committee will discuss with the NRC staff a proposed resolution of generic safety issue 83, "Control Room Habitability."

On Friday, July 15, from 8:35 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., the committee will discuss with the NRC staff the results of an engineered safety feature study.

From 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., the committee will discuss with the staff a proposed resolution of generic safety issue 24, "Automatic Emergency Core Coolant System Switchover to Recirculation."

From 11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m., the committee will discuss responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to ACRS recommendations.

From 11:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will discuss planning and procedures matters.

From 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the committee will discuss with the NRC staff on-going and future work associated with issues that have arisen during implementation of the pressurized thermal shock rule for operating nuclear power plants and the lessons learned from the shutdown of the Yankee Rowe plant in Massachusetts.

From 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., the committee will discuss future ACRS activities.

From 3:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC.

On Saturday, July 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the committee will continue discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

From 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the committee will discuss strategic planning.

From 12:30 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., the committee will discuss new research needs, if any.

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

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committee or by mailing it to the Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001.

(ACRS meeting schedules are subject to change. Anyone planning to attend should confirm the schedule the day before the meeting by calling 301/415-7361.)

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