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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE  
TO MEET FEBRUARY 24-26 IN BETHESDA, MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste has scheduled a technical meeting February 24-26 in Bethesda, MD.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day in Room P-110, 7920 Norfolk Avenue.

As part of the meeting, the committee will meet with the NRC Commissioners from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on February 26 at NRC headquarters, 11555 Rockville Pike, to discuss items of mutual interest.

(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 February 10.

Topics to be discussed at the meeting include:

--computer models for conducting performance assessments of low-level radioactive waste disposal facilities;

--an assessment of the flammability and explosion potential of transuranic waste;

--the creation of a performance indicator or event reporting system that would monitor the correct status and trends in the management and disposal of low-level radioactive waste; and

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--possible impacts the Energy Policy Act of 1992 might have on ongoing agency initiatives in the high-level waste arena (tentative).

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.)

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