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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE
TO MEET NOVEMBER 20-21 IN BETHESDA, MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste will hold a technical meeting November 20-21 in Bethesda, MD.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day 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 published in the Federal Register.

Topics to be discussed at the meeting include:

--the results of a working group meeting on problems and limitations with various Quaternary dating methods to be used in the assessment of volcanic features and materials for the site characterization of a high-level nuclear waste repository;

--the NRC staff's computer codes and performance assessment capabilities related to high-and low-level waste disposal strategies;

--continuation of work on a request from the Commission regarding a systems analyses approach to the storage of spent nuclear fuel;

--consideration of ACNW comments on a number of issues in the field of low-level waste disposal; and

--future committee activities.

Persons wishing to submit statements 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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