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NRC CHAIRMAN TO DISCUSS SPENT FUEL STORAGE AT INSTITUTE OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS MANAGEMENT NEXT WEEK

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Chairman Ivan Selin will deliver a major address on storage options for spent fuel from commercial nuclear power plants at the annual meeting of the Institute of Nuclear Materials Management in Naples, Florida, on Monday, July 18.

In his talk, which will begin at 9:15 a.m. in the Registry Resort Hotel, Dr. Selin will review the need for interim storage of spent nuclear fuel in the absence, for the time being, of either an underground disposal facility or monitored retrievable storage site. He will provide the NRC's evaluation of the relative merits of the options available for interim storage, including dry-cask storage, and the safety and other considerations associated with their use.

Immediately following his address, about 10:15 a.m., Chairman Selin will hold a press conference.