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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
TO MEET IN BETHESDA, MD, JANUARY 6-8

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards will hold a technical meeting January 6-8 in Bethesda, Maryland.

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

(ACRS meeting 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 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 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 December 30.

On Thursday, January 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., the ACRS chairman will comment on items of current interest.

From 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a proposed final rule on emergency planning regulations that is intended to clarify the requirements for emergency planning exercises.

From 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a proposed resolution of generic issue 67.5.1 regarding reassessment of the validity of present techniques used to calculate radiological consequences resulting from a steam generator tube rupture event.

From 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m., the committee will receive a briefing by representatives of the NRC staff regarding the results of a September 30, 1993 public workshop on license renewal.

From 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the status of issues associated with the resolution of boiling water reactor core power stability combined with an anticipated transient without scram event.

From 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., the committee will receive a briefing by representatives of the NRC staff regarding a staff position on the reliability assurance program for advanced light water reactors.

From 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss a staff evaluation of licensee feedback on the impact of NRC activities on licensee operations.

From 5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the committee will discuss a proposed ACRS report on certified design material for the advanced boiling water reactor in areas of human factors engineering, radiation protection, piping and instrumentation and control.

From 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC regarding items considered during this meeting.

On Friday, January 7, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:35 a.m., the ACRS chairman will making opening remarks.

From 8:35 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

From 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the committee will meet with the NRC's Deputy Executive Director for Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Regional Operations and Research to discuss items of mutual interest.

From 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m., the committee will discuss future activities.

From 1:15 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., the committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of ACRS business.

From 2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m., the committee will discuss responses from the NRC's Executive Director for Operations to recent ACRS recommendations.

From 2:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

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On Saturday, January 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

From 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the committee will discuss miscellaneous matters.

From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will discuss the status of ACRS subcommittee activities.

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

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