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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE TO MEET NOVEMBER 10 IN ROCKVILLE, MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting November 10 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 8:30 a.m. in Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike.

As part of the meeting, the committee will meet with the NRC Commissioners at 2:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' conference room, 11555 Rockville Pike, to discuss the Department of Energy's proposed program approach in civilian radioactive waste management, the NRC staff's research program for high-level radioactive waste and the staff's capability in performance assessment for a nuclear waste disposal facility.

(ACNW schedules are subject to change. Anyone planning to attend should confirm the schedule the day before the meeting by calling 301/415-7360.)

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 November 3.

Discussions the (ACNW) meeting will also include:

- --user needs in the area of low-level radioactive waste research;
  - --current waste management issues;
  - -- the preparation of ACNW reports; and
  - --future ACNW activities.

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 discretion of the committee chairman, while the meeting is in session.)