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TO MEET JANUARY 27-28 IN BETHESDA, NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
NUCLEAR WASTE MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting January 27-28 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.

(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 the 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 January 12.

Topics to be discussed at the meeting include:

--the NRC staff's analysis of issues that the National Academy of Sciences will be addressing as a result of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 and the impacts this Act will have on the NRC's high-level waste program;

--activities of the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses;

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

--a four-month plan of ACNW activities for the period February-May 1993.

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.)