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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE  
TO MEET AUGUST 16-17 IN ROCKVILLE, MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting August 16-17 in Rockville, Maryland.

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

(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 published in the Federal Register on August 4.

Discussions at the meeting will include:

--a briefing by the NRC staff on the history and legal background associated with the Commission's 1984 high-level waste confidence decision;

--an NRC staff review of a Department of Energy report related to extreme erosion at a proposed Federal repository for high-level waste;

--an advance notice of proposed rulemaking on government land ownership, amending Part 61 of NRC regulations concerning disposal of radioactive waste;

--future ACNW activities; and

--the preparation of ACNW reports to the NRC.

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.)