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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MD, JANUARY 12-14

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards has scheduled a technical meeting January 12-14 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in Conference Room T2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike.

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 Published in the Federal Register on December 27.

On Thursday, January 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., the ACRS chairman will make opening remarks.

From 8:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss their safety evaluation report on test and analysis programs being conducted by General Electric Nuclear Energy in support of design certification for its Simplified Boiling Water Reactor.

From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss the status of their design certification review for the Westinghouse standardized pressurized water reactor design designated AP600.

From 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss their findings from the application acceptance review for Atomic Energy of Canada Limited Technologies' CANDU3 reactor design.

From 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., the committee will meet to discuss planning and procedures matters.

From 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., the committee will discuss future ACRS activities

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From 4:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., the committee will discuss responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to ACRS recommendations.

On Friday, January 13, from 8:35 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., the committee will meet with the NRC Director of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research to discuss items of mutual interest.

From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the committee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff to discuss the results of a turbine overspeed study.

From 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports to the NRC.

On Saturday, January 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the committee will continue discussions of proposed ACRS reports.

From 11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., the committee will discuss new research needs.

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.

(ACRS meeting schedules are subject to change. Anyone planning to attend should confirm the schedule the day before the meeting by calling 301/415-7361.)

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