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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE
TO MEET APRIL 20-21 IN BETHESDA, MD.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting April 20-21 in Bethesda, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 8:30 a.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 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 April 14.

Discussions at the meeting will include:

--volcanism studies underway in the characterization of the Yucca (Nevada) Mountain site;

--a report on a Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board meeting on saturated zone hydrology;

--issues associated with a multi-purpose canister concept that uses a single canister for spent fuel storage, transportation and disposal; and

--future ACNW activities and preparation of ACNW reports.

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.)