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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE
TO MEET JUNE 21-22

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting June 21-22 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day in Room T2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike.

Although meetings of the ACNW are open, 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 anyone may attend the meeting, the committee will consider only oral or written statements arranged in advance and limited to specific matters set forth in a Notice of Meeting published in the Federal Register on May 30.

Discussions at the meeting will include:

- A recent report by the National Academy of Sciences on the Ward Valley, California low-level waste disposal site;

- NRC staff's proposed probabilistic risk assessment policy statement and implementation plan;

- Major elements of a technical site suitability process being applied at the proposed high-level waste repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada;

- NRC staff and Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses' strategy for evaluating the Department of Energy's seismic hazard analyses program for the proposed Yucca Mountain repository;

- NRC draft technical guidance on the use of expert judgment in performance assessment for licensing a radioactive waste repository; and

- Preparation of proposed ACNW reports.

Persons wishing to submit a statement regarding an agenda subject may do so by providing a readily reproducible copy to the committee at the beginning of the meeting or by mailing it in advance to the Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555.

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

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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.)