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NRC'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE
TO MEET MAY 15-16

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) has scheduled a technical meeting May 15-16 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day in Room 2B3 of the NRC Two White Flint North Building at 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 in March 1988 to advise the Commission 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 April 11.

Discussions scheduled at the meeting include:

--Paralleling long-term behavior of a naturally occurring mineral in the ground and nuclear waste disposed in a repository.

--Progress at the proposed waste repository at Yucca Mountain (Nevada).

--Current status of nuclear waste related research.

--Preparation of ACNW reports to the NRC, including elements of an adequate low-level waste program.

--Future ACNW activities.

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

advanced 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 301/415-5024.)

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