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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, JUNE 3-5

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) has scheduled a technical meeting June 3-5 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in Conference Room 2B3 in the NRC's Two White Flint North Building at 11545 Rockville Pike.

Although meetings of the ACRS are open, 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 anyone may attend, 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 an upcoming edition of the Federal Register.

The meeting may include closed sessions, if required, to discuss proprietary or personnel information.

The complete meeting agenda follows:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

8:30 to 8:45 a.m. -- Opening remarks by ACRS chairman.

8:45 to 11:15 a.m. -- Discussions with representatives of the Westinghouse Electric Company and the NRC staff regarding chapters 3,6,14 and 17 of the AP600 Standard Safety Analysis Report.

11:15 to 12:00 noon -- Review of the revised Human Performance Plan.

1:00 to 2:30 p.m. -- Discussion of core research capabilities at NRC.

2:45 to 4:45 p.m. -- Discussions with representatives of the General Electric Company, the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, and the NRC staff regarding the GE power uprate plan for operating boiling water reactors, and Monticello's application for a 6.3 percent power uprate.

5:00 to 7:00 p.m. -- Preparation of ACRS reports.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

8:30 to 8:35 a.m. -- Opening remarks by ACRS Chairman.

8:35 to 9:45 a.m. -- Discussion of agency-wide plan for high-burnup fuel.

10:00 to 11:00 a.m. -- Operating plan for the NRC Technical Training Programs.

11:00 to 12:30 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed modifications to 10 CFR 50.59, Changes, Tests and Experiments.

1:30 to 2:45 p.m. -- Proposed final standard review plan section and regulatory guide for risk-informed inservice inspection of piping.

2:45 to 3:15 p.m. -- Future ACRS activities.

3:15 to 3:30 p.m. -- Reconciliation of ACRS comments and recommendations.

3:45 to 7:00 p.m. -- Preparation of ACRS reports.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

8:30 to 9:00 a.m. -- Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee.

9:00 to 3:30 p.m. -- Preparation of ACRS reports.

3:30 to 4:00 p.m. -- Miscellaneous.

Persons wishing to submit statements on any of these topics 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. 20555-0001.

(ACRS meeting schedules are subject to change. Anyone planning to attend should confirm the schedule the day before the meeting by calling (301) 415-5024.

ACRS meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available on the Internet at www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW.