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NRC SEEKS QUALIFIED CANDIDATES
FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is seeking qualified candidates for its Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW). One opening is expected on the committee in mid-1996.

The ACNW is a part-time advisory group established by the NRC in 1988 to provide independent technical review and advice on the disposal of nuclear waste, including all aspects of nuclear waste disposal facilities, as directed by the NRC. This advice covers activities related to licensing, operation and closure of high- and low-level radioactive waste disposal facilities and associated rulemakings, regulatory guides and NRC staff technical positions. The ACNW also reviews performance assessment evaluations of waste disposal facilities.

The committee interacts with representatives of the NRC, the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, the Department of Energy, other Federal, State and local agencies, Indian Nations and private organizations as appropriate.

A wide variety of engineering and scientific skills are needed to conduct the broadly based reviews required in the committee's work. Engineers and scientists are needed with work experience in the high- and low-level radioactive waste disposal programs coupled with broad experience in a pertinent technical field, such as nuclear engineering and technology, nuclear fuel cycle analysis, nuclear chemistry, earth sciences and materials science.

Individuals should have a minimum of 20 years' work experience in related fields, or fields that can be applied directly to the work of the committee, and have achieved a level of distinction in their discipline. In addition, individuals must be able to devote approximately 50-100 days per year to committee business. Most meetings are held in Rockville, Maryland, although some additional travel is required to other sites.

Because conflict-of-interest regulations restrict the participation of members actively involved in areas related to nuclear waste disposal, the degree and nature of any such involvement will be weighed. Each qualified candidate's financial interests must be reconciled with applicable Federal and NRC rules and regulations before final appointment to the committee. This may result in the candidate being required to divest himself or herself of securities issued by nuclear industry entities, or discontinue or limit involvement in NRC or industry-funded research contracts or grants, based on a determination of possible conflicts of interest.

Copies of a resume describing the education and professional background of the candidate, including special accomplishments, professional references, current address, and telephone number should be provided. All qualified candidates will receive careful consideration. Appointment will be made without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or disabilities. Candidates must be citizens of the United States.

Resumes should be sent to Ms. Jude Himmelberg, Office of Personnel, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Application materials may be obtained by calling 1-800-952-9678. Refer to announcement number 96-1000. Applications will be accepted until March 31

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