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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, FEBRUARY 1 - 3

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) has scheduled a meeting in Rockville, Maryland, on February 1-3.

The meeting, the majority of which is open to the public, will be held in Room T-2B3 of the agency's Two White Flint North building, at 11545 Rockville Pike, beginning at 8:30 a.m. each day. The complete agenda is attached.

Those who wish to make oral or written statements, or seek additional information on the meeting or changes to the agenda, should contact James Lyons, at 301-415-7371. ACRS meeting notices, transcripts and letters are available on the internet, at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW/>.

ACRS Agenda

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2001

8:30 A.M. - 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open) - The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.: Treatment of Uncertainties in the Elements of the PTS Technical Basis Reevaluation Project (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding treatment of uncertainties in the elements of the Pressurized Thermal Shock (PTS) Reevaluation Project.

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon: Siemens S-RELAP5 Appendix K Small-Break LOCA Code (Open/Closed) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and Siemens Power Corporation regarding the Siemens S-RELAP5 Appendix K Small-Break Loss-of-Coolant Accident (LOCA) Code and the associated NRC staff Safety Evaluation Report.

[Note: A portion of this session may be closed to discuss Siemens Power Corporation proprietary information applicable to this matter.]

1:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.: Proposed ANS Standard on External-Events PRA (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the American Nuclear Society (ANS) regarding the proposed ANS Standard on external-events PRA.

2:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.: Reprioritization of Generic Safety Issue-152, "Design Basis for Valves that Might be Subjected to Significant Blowdown Loads" (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding reprioritization of Generic Safety Issue-152 and the reasons therefor, and related matters.

4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.: Break and Preparation of Draft ACRS Reports (Open) - Cognizant ACRS members will prepare draft reports, as needed, for consideration by the full Committee.

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. : Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open) - The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2001

8:30 A.M. - 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open) - The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.: Regulatory Effectiveness of the ATWS Rule (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the staff's assessment of the regulatory effectiveness of the Anticipated Transients Without Scram (ATWS) Rule.

10:15 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.: Overview of Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the Department of Energy (DOE) and the NRC staff regarding the proposed Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility to be constructed at the DOE's Savannah River Plant site.

1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.: Meeting with the NRC Chairman (Open) - The Committee will meet with the NRC Chairman Meserve to discuss items of mutual interest.

2:15 P.M. - 3:15 P.M.: NRC Safety Research Program (Open) - The Committee will discuss the annual ACRS report to the Commission on the NRC Safety Research Program.

3:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open) - The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings. Also, it will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, and organizational and personnel matters relating to the ACRS.

3:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations (Open) - The Committee will discuss the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters. The EDO responses are expected to be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting.

4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.: Break and Preparation of Draft ACRS Reports (Open) - Cognizant ACRS members will prepare draft reports, as needed, for consideration by the full Committee.

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.: Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open) - The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2001

8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.: Proposed ACRS Reports (Open) - The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.: Miscellaneous (Open) - The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

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