

UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

March 28, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR: Dade W. Moeller, Chairman
Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING BY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE (ACNW), 2:00
P.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1990,
COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE
FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO
PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission* met with the Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) to discuss nuclear waste related issues before the Commission. The Commission expressed its appreciation for the valuable contributions made by Dr. Clifford Smith who recently resigned from the Committee because of other commitments.

During discussion of issues concerning implementation of EPA's high-level waste standards and NRC's high-level waste regulations, the Committee committed to provide the Commission with specific recommendations for possible revision of the standards and implementing regulations. The timing of this effort should be coordinated with staff so that the Commission has the benefit of those recommendations when considering proposed staff comments on Revision 2 of EPA's high level waste standard. The Committee also noted it would consider a joint meeting with DOE's Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board.

(Subsequently, the Committee scheduled a briefing by the Technical Review Board at its March 22-23, 1990, meeting.)

During discussion of exemptions from regulatory control, the Committee said it would be reviewing in greater detail the Commission's draft policy statement on BRC.

* Commissioner Remick was not present.

Chairman Carr urged the ACNW to specifically focus attention on the technical issues of particular interest to the Commission outlined in the Chairman's 11/6/89 letter to Dr. Moeller. He also urged the ACNW to work with the NRC staff in formulating the quarterly program plan to optimize the timing of ACNW's reviews. In addition, he encouraged the Committee to continue the practice of attending major meetings arranged by the staff on key technical issues to optimize the use of resources and to continue efforts to keep the Commission informed of the Committee's efforts through the Commissioners' assistants.

cc: Chairman Carr
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