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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE

Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 141st meeting on April 22-23, 2003, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The schedule for this meeting is as follows:

Tuesday, April 22, 2003

10:00 A.M. - 10:40 A.M.: Opening Statement (Open) - The Chairman will open the meeting with brief opening remarks, outline the topics to be discussed, and indicate several items of interest.

10:40 A.M. - 12:00 Noon: ONE STEP AT A TIME: The Staged Development of Geologic Repositories for High-Level Radioactive Waste (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the National Academy of Sciences on their recent report on staged development of a proposed HLW repository at Yucca Mountain, NV.

1:00 P.M. - 5:15 P.M.: TRANSPORTATION WORKING GROUP FOLLOW-ON SESSION: State of Nevada Technical Concerns with the Transportation of Spent Fuel and High-Level Waste (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives from the State of Nevada regarding the review of Yucca Mountain Systems Issues related to Transportation Safety and Fuel Scale Testing issues including an Assessment of NUREG-1768.

5:15 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.: Committee Discussion (Open) - The Committee will further discuss today's topics.

5:45 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.: Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open) - The Committee will discuss the report of March 2003 Working Group Meeting on NRC and DOE Performance Assessments: Assumptions and Differences, and the State of Nevada Technical Concerns with the Transportation of Spent Fuel and HLW.

Wednesday, April 23, 2003

8:30 A.M. - 8:35 A.M.: Opening Statement (Open) - The Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of today's sessions.

8:35 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.: Update on NRC Division of Waste Management Activities (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with the Director, Division of Waste Management on recent DWM activities of interest.

9:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon: DOE/NRC Key Technical Issue (KTI) Agreement Status (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of DOE and the NRC staff on the closure status of KTIs.

1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.: Discussion of Self-Assessment Survey Results (Open) - The Committee will discuss the results of the self-assessment survey.

2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.: ACNW Action Plan (Open) - The Committee members will discuss an update to the ACNW 2002-2003 Action Plan.

3:15 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.: Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open) - The Committee will discuss proposed ACNW reports on matters considered during this meeting.

6:30 P.M. - 6:45 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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Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefore can be obtained by contacting Mr. Howard J. Larson.

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