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Release 1 of our redesigned public web site is now available at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov). We plan to deploy the remainder of the site in a phased approach between now and early 2002. See the site's What's New page for updates of new content for each release and plans for future releases. In addition to a notice on our site's home page, we have published a Federal Register notice today to inform the public of the availability of our new site.

As a result of the events of September 11, 2001, the NRC shut down its previous public Web site on October 11 to conduct a thorough review of site content and restored a partial site on October 17. As reviews are completed, NRC will restore content incrementally in the redesigned format. As the site is being re-built, you may find a "blacked-out" link to information you are trying to locate, which indicates that the information is not yet available.

The redesign gives the Web site a new and consistent look and feel. It is organized by content and topic rather than by NRC organizational structure, uses top-down logic going from general to specific topics, makes navigation easy, gives greater visibility to frequently accessed information, uses plain language where possible, and complies with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act to ensure site access to people with disabilities.

In developing the redesigned site, the NRC (1) reviewed other major Web sites as models for possible improvements; (2) solicited the views of stakeholders, including members of the general public, the staff, researchers, and representatives of the library community and nuclear industry; (3) implemented goals to support NRC's Strategic Plan; and (4) ensured that the site complies with the Americans With Disabilities Act. Over 70 members of the staff sent us helpful recommendations that improved the site's ease of use. More information on the site's redesign, including changes made in response to stakeholder and staff comments, is available in SECY-01-0204, "Improving the NRC Public Web Site" (ADAMS Accession number ML012980109).

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