

Public Meeting on the Integrated Chemical Effects Test (4/28/04)

On April 28, managers and staff members from RES, NMSS, and NRR attended a public meeting at NRC Headquarters on GSI-191, "Assessment of Debris Accumulation on Pressurized Water Reactor Sump Performance." Other participants at the public meeting included NRC staff members from OPA, the ACRS, representatives from EPRI, utilities, Westinghouse Owners' Group, a consulting company, Japan Power Company, and the media. The meeting objective was to discuss progress of the cooperative research effort by industry and the NRC to determine and characterize the chemical reaction products that may develop in a representative post-LOCA containment environment. This research is being conducted in response to a potential chemical reaction issue raised by the ACRS and to support resolution of GSI-191. NRC and industry representatives presented preliminary analytical results supporting the test program, the draft final test plan for the integrated chemical effects test and provided an update of the selection process for the test facility (see attachments). NRC staff received valuable input from stakeholders and responded to questions from stakeholders and the media.