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SUBJECT: FORTHCOMING CATEGORY 2 PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS DISSIMILAR METAL WELD INSPECTIONS IN BOILING WATER REACTORS (BWRS)

DATE, TIME: Thursday, July 19, 2007
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Two White Flint North, Conference Room T-2B1
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852

Interested members of the public are encouraged to take advantage of the teleconferencing accommodations. Six teleconference lines will be reserved for public participation during the non-proprietary session (see enclosed agenda). Please e-mail the meeting contact by 4 PM on July 12, 2007, to obtain the phone number and passcode.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the meeting is for the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff to discuss with the licensee of Duane Arnold Energy Center their ultrasonic inspections performed on dissimilar metal butt welds and to discuss with the industry the existing inspection schedules for the dissimilar metal butt welds.

CATEGORY 2*: This is a Category 2 meeting. The public is invited to participate in this meeting by discussing regulatory issues with the NRC at designated points identified on the agenda.

PARTICIPANTS: Participants from the NRC include members of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), Region III, and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) under contract with NRR.

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JULY 19, 2007, PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA
BWR Dissimilar Metal Weld Inspections Meeting

Agenda Item	Participants	Time
Introductions and Opening Remarks	NRC, Licensees, EPRI, BWRVIP, and Public Participants*	8:30 AM
Discussion on Ultrasonic Inspections Performed at Duane Arnold Energy Center in 1999, 2005 and 2007.	NRC, PNNL, FPL and Public Participants*	8:50 AM
Public Comments and Response	NRC, PNNL, FPL and Public Participants*	12:00 PM
Break for Lunch		12:30 PM
Discuss Accelerated Inspection Schedules and Appropriate Regulatory Actions	NRC, Licensees, EPRI, BWRVIP, and Public Participants*	1:00 PM
Public Comments and Response	NRC, Licensees, EPRI, BWRVIP, and Public Participants*	3:30 PM
Adjourn		4:00 PM

* Public participants will participate as observers during this portions of the meeting.

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