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### **NRC NAMES TWO NEW MEMBERS TO ITS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has appointed Mr. John W. Stetkar and Dr. Dennis C. Bley to its Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), which advises the Commission on licensing and operation of nuclear power plants and related safety issues.

Mr. Stetkar is a principal of Stetkar & Associates and has more than 27 years of experience as an engineering consultant. He is an internationally recognized expert in the fields of risk assessment and reliability analysis. Mr. Stetkar also serves as a technical expert for the International Atomic Energy Agency. Prior to his career as a consultant, he was a licensed senior reactor operator at the Zion nuclear station. He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, and a master's degree in nuclear and environmental engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dr. Bley is president of Buttonwood Consulting, Inc., and principal of The WrethWood Group, with more than 30 years of experience in nuclear and electrical engineering, reliability and availability analysis. He has served on a number of technical review panels for NRC and Department of Energy programs and is a frequent lecturer in short courses for universities, industry, and government agencies. Dr. Bley holds a bachelor's in electrical engineering from the University of Cincinnati, and a doctorate in nuclear reactor engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In addition, he attended the U.S. Navy Nuclear Power School in 1968 and the Center College of Kentucky in 1963.

The other members of ACRS are:

Dr. Said Abdel-Khalik, (Member-at-Large), Southern Nuclear Distinguished Professor, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Ga.;

Dr. George E. Apostolakis, professor of Nuclear Science and Engineering, and professor of Engineering Systems, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.;

Dr. Joseph S. Armijo, adjunct professor of Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Nevada, Reno;

Dr. Sanjoy Banerjee, professor of Chemical Engineering, University of California at Santa Barbara;

Dr. Mario V. Bonaca (Vice-Chairman), retired director, Nuclear Engineering Department, Northeast Utilities, Conn.;

Dr. Michael Corradini, professor and chairman of the Department of Engineering Physics, University of Wisconsin;

Mr. Otto L. Maynard, retired chief executive officer, Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corp., Kan.;

Dr. Dana A. Powers, senior scientist, Nuclear Facilities Safety Department, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, N.M.;

Dr. William J. Shack, (Chairman), retired associate director, Energy Technology Division, Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Ill.; and

Mr. John Sieber, retired senior vice president, Nuclear Power Division, Duquesne Light Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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