

April 29, 2008

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY - APRIL 2, 2008, ERWIN, TN RE:
PUBLIC CONCERNS REGARDING NATIONAL NUCLEAR
SECURITY ADMINISTRATION REPORT

On April 2, 2008, a public meeting was conducted in the Town Hall in Erwin, Tennessee. The purpose of the meeting was to address public concerns with a report from the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) on the environmental impact of its program to dispose of highly enriched uranium (HEU). A list of attendees is attached. The concerns were first raised at a public meeting on February 28, 2008. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff was unable to address the concerns at that time and committed to contact NNSA and obtain a response.

Michael Tschiltz from the NRC opened the meeting by welcoming the participants, explaining its purpose, and introducing the speakers. The NNSA staff provided background information regarding its program and the role played by Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. NNSA explained that the risk to an individual to develop cancer, as a result of its program, was extremely small. The public asked several questions concerning the data used by NNSA and the results presented in the report.

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PUBLIC MEETING

ON APRIL 2, 2008
ERWIN, TN

ADDRESS CONCERNS WITH
NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION'S
REPORT - DOE/EIS-0240-SA1
"SUPPLEMENT ANALYSIS - DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS
HIGHLY ENRICHED URANIUM

Agenda:

Before meeting - Guests are asked to sign attendance list.

- 6:30 pm Welcome and Introductions
- 6:40 pm Background Information (NNSA)
- 7:00 pm Open Discussion of NNSA report
- 7:50 pm Closing remarks
- 8:00 pm Meeting Adjourned

After meeting - NRC and NNSA staff will stay for further discussions.