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John Kessler, Manager
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Dear Mr. Kessler:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting to discuss integrated strategy on spent fuel management, Friday, June 25, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Commissioners' Conference Room on the first floor of the NRC's Headquarters building at One White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland. The Commission is interested in hearing your views, representing EPRI, on the activities of the industry task force dedicated to studying the safety of very long term dry storage. I am enclosing a copy of the draft meeting agenda for your information (enclosure 1). My staff will keep you informed of any updates to the agenda.

To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including viewgraphs/slides, to Ms. Rochelle Bavol and Ms. Sandy Joosten (**rochelle.bavol@nrc.gov** and **sandy.joosten@nrc.gov**) in the Office of the Secretary, by June 18, 2010, so that it can be distributed to the Commission for review in advance of the meeting. Enclosed are guidelines for viewgraphs, if you choose to use them (enclosure 2). PowerPoint or other electronic presentation formats are acceptable. This Commission meeting will be webcast live at the Web address: **www.nrc.gov.** If you intend to use viewgraphs they will also be posted on the NRC website prior to the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Bavol at 301-415-1651.

Your presentation at the Commission meeting should be based on the assumption that Commissioners are familiar with the content of your written material. Please plan your oral presentation for 7 minutes, discussing the important points on which you wish to focus the Commission's attention.

The NRC Headquarters building is located opposite the White Flint Metro Station on Rockville Pike and Marinelli Drive, Rockville, Maryland. The White Flint Metro Station is on the Red Line of the Washington area subway system. Reserved visitor parking for Commission guests is available. If you wish to use reserved parking, please notify Ms. Bavol in advance. If reserved parking has been arranged, please check-in with the security staff at the entrance to the NRC campus on Marinelli Drive when you arrive. A Security Guard will call for an escort. Please note that visitors will be screened through metal detectors, will have their packages x-rayed, and

will be required to present a picture identification card prior to signing in at the registration desk.

Sincerely,

Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:
1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

Draft: 5/27/10

SCHEDULING NOTE

Title: **BRIEFING ON OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY AND SAFEGUARDS (NMSS) – PROGRAMS, PERFORMANCE AND FUTURE PLANS AND INTEGRATED STRATEGY ON SPENT FUEL MANAGEMENT (Public Meeting)**

Scheduled: **Friday, June 25, 2010**
9:00 am

Duration: Approx. 3 hours

Location: Commissioners' Conference Room, 1st fl OWFN

Participants: **Presentation**

NRC Staff **45 mins.***

Topics:

- Introductions
- Program Overview
  - Major Program/Significant Safety Issues
  - Challenges
  - Near-Term Policy Issues/Commission Interactions
  - Licensing of Operating Fuel Facilities
  - Enhancing Safeguards and Non-Proliferation
- Integrated Strategy on Spent Fuel Management
  - Revisiting the Paradigm of Spent Nuclear Fuel
- Conclusion

Commission Q & A **45 mins.**

Stakeholder Panel **45 mins***

Steven Kraft, Senior Director for Used Fuel Management, Nuclear Energy Institute 7 mins*
(Topic: Fuel Storage and Closing the Fuel Cycle)

John Kessler, Manager, High Level Waste and Spent Fuel Management, Electric Power Research Institute 7 mins*
(Topic: Industry Task Force Dedicated to Studying the Safety of Very Long Term Dry Storage)

Buzz Savage, Department of Energy [Invited, not yet confirmed.] 7 mins*
(Topic: DOE Activities in Each Area of the Back End of the Fuel Cycle)

Sally Jameson, Vice- Chair, Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), High-Level Waste Working Group — 7 mins*

Mary Olson, Director, Southeast Office, Nuclear Information and Research Service — 7 mins*

Hidehiko Yamachika, General Manager, Washington Office, Japan Nuclear Energy Safety Organization — 7 mins*
(Topic: The Back End of the Fuel Cycle (i.e. disposal, reprocessing and storage))

Overall Topic:

- Integrated Strategy on Spent Fuel Management

Commission Q & A — **45 mins.**

*For presentation only and does not include time for Commission Q & A's

Documents:
(NOTE: Project plan for Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation, including objectives, plans, potential policy issues, projected schedules, performance measures, and projected resource requirements due June 25th, but staff expects to provide by June 22nd.)

Staff background material due to SECY: June 11, 2010.
Slides due to SECY: June 18, 2010.

Enclosure 2

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