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Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2008 9:00 AM
To: Amy Powell
Subject: RE: Reminder on timeframes related to DOE license application for HLW repository

Thanks Amy.

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Hi all -

I noticed that some media accounts misstated the timeframes regarding the NRC's docketing decision, so I want to reiterate what "clock" starts on who and when...

NRC staff's docketing decision yesterday started the "clock" on the 3-year (with an option for an additional year) timeframe per the NWPA for NRC to complete the technical review of DOE's license application. Some press accounts state this docketing decision also began the 60-day "clock" for potential parties to file for hearing; this is **not** correct. The Commission will issue a Notice of Hearing to be published in the **Federal Register**. From the publication date of this Notice, potential parties will have 60 days to request to participate in the hearing process and submit proposed contentions. I will let you know when this Notice is issued.

I don't usually weigh in on how NRC-related news is reported, but these are important points for your constituents so I wanted to clarify them again for you.

Thanks,
Amy

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