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OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY

August 5, 2010

Edward D. Halpin
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Mr. Halpin:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on the resolution of Generic Safety Issue (GSI) – 191, Assessment of Debris Accumulation on Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR) Performance, Wednesday, September 29, 2010, at 1:00 p.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. This a follow up to the April 15, 2010, meeting on the same topic, and the Commission is interested in hearing South Texas Project's views and plans on resolving GSI – 191. 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 September 22, 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 10 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: 8/5/10

SCHEDULING NOTE

Title: **BRIEFING ON RESOLUTION OF GENERIC SAFETY ISSUE (GSI) – 191, ASSESSMENT OF DEBRIS ACCUMULATION ON PRESSURIZED WATER REACTOR (PWR) SUMP PERFORMANCE (Public Meeting)**

Scheduled: **Wednesday, September 29, 2010**
1:00 pm

Duration: Approx. 3 hours

Location: Commissioners' Conference Room, 1st fl OWFN

Participants:	**Presentation**
Stakeholder Panel	**40 mins.***
Ed Halpin, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company	10 mins.*
Pete Sena, Senior Vice President of Operations, FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company	10 mins.*
Amir Shahkarami, Chairman, PWR Owners Group Executive Committee, Senior VP Exelon and Site VP Braidwood, Exelon Nuclear	10 mins.*
David Lochbaum, Union of Concerned Scientists	10 mins.*
Topic: • Efforts to Resolve GSI-191	
Commission Q & A	**50 mins.**
Break	**5 mins.**
NRC Staff and ACRS	**40 mins.***
Staff **Bill Borchardt**, Executive Director for Operations **Eric Leeds**, Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation **William Ruland**, Director, Division of Safety Systems, NRR **Michael Scott**, Chief, Safety Issue Resolution Branch, Division of Safety Systems, NRR	30 mins.*

Sanjoy Banerjee, Member, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards 10 mins.*

Topics:

- Approaches to Bring GSI – 191 to Closure
- Path to Resolve Remaining Challenges

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Discussion – Wrap-up **5 mins.**

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

Documents:
Staff background material due to SECY: September 15, 2010.
Slides due to SECY: September 22, 2010.

Enclosure 2

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