

August 27, 2010

Chief Donald Roger
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Dear Chief Roger,

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) would like to notify you about an upcoming public meeting to discuss safety culture. The meeting will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada, on September 28, 2010. If you are unable to attend in Las Vegas, you may participate remotely at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Maryland, or by phone, or your own computer. The NRC is completing a policy statement on safety culture which will include a definition of safety culture and a description of areas important to safety culture that can be used by the NRC, the Agreement States, licensees, and others involved in the use of nuclear materials. See additional information about the meeting, meeting location, methods for participating, and registration at: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm>.

As way of background, the NRC hosted a workshop in February 2010 to develop a definition for safety culture and other safety culture terminology. A panel representing a wide range of stakeholders, including a range of different types of licensees and non-licensees, with participation from a wider audience, developed a definition and a set of traits that describe areas important to safety culture. The purpose of the September 28th meeting is to discuss this safety culture terminology and a revision of the draft safety culture policy statement. The draft safety culture policy statement (74 FR 57525, November 6, 2009; Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession Number ML093030375) indicates that it is the Commission's policy that a strong safety culture is an essential element for individuals, both internal to the NRC and external, performing or overseeing regulated activities. See the draft policy statement at: <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/74frn575252.pdf>.

Information on the revised policy statement will be published in the *Federal Register* for a 30-day public comment period around September 10, 2010. This revised safety culture policy statement (when published) and other information on safety culture will be available at the NRC's safety culture web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/safety-culture.html>.

All meeting attendees - including those participating through the teleconference, web streaming, or at the remote location at NRC Headquarters – should pre-register with one of the NRC Office of Enforcement contacts listed below as soon as possible, but no later than September 21, 2010, preferably by email:

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