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SECRETARY

James Kish
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Dear Mr. Kish:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on emergency preparedness, May 3, 2011, 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 about NRC/FEMA interactions on emergency preparedness, including the joint NRC/FEMA process and FEMA's Emergency Preparedness Rulemaking. 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 slides/viewgraphs, to Ms. Rochelle Baval and Ms. Sandy Joosten (rochelle.baval@nrc.gov and sandy.joosten@nrc.gov) in the Office of the Secretary, by April 26, 2011, so that it can be distributed to the Commission for review in advance of the meeting. Enclosed are guidelines for slides, if you choose to use them (enclosure 2). PowerPoint is the preferred format, but other electronic presentation formats may be used. This Commission meeting will be webcast live at the Web address: www.nrc.gov. If you intend to use slides, they will also be posted on the NRC website prior to the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Baval 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 20 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. Reserved visitor parking for Commission guests is available. If you wish to use reserved parking, please notify Ms. Baval 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Annette Vietti-Cook". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

Draft 4/12/11

SCHEDULING NOTE

Title: **INFORMATION BRIEFING ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
(Public)**

Purpose: Provide the Commission an overview of emergency preparedness and an update on the final rule, including hearing from a representative sample of stakeholders on the final rule, the staff's summary of other comments received, the staff's views on addressing major issues in the rule and to facilitate Commission voting on the final rule.

Scheduled: **May 3, 2011
9:00 am**

Duration: Approx. 3 hours

Location: Commissioner's Hearing Room, 1st fl. OWFN

Participants:

Presentation

NRC Staff and FEMA

45 mins.*

Bill Borchardt, Executive Director for Operations

Brian McDermott, Director, Division of Preparedness and Response, NSIR

Robert Kahler, Chief, Inspection and Regulatory Improvements Branch,
Division of Preparedness and Response, NSIR

Don Tailleart, Team Leader, Inspection and Regulatory Improvements Branch
Division of Preparedness and Response, NSIR

James Kish, Director, Technological Hazards Division, FEMA

Topics:

- Emergency Preparedness Overview
- Oversight of Emergency Preparedness Activities
- Emergency Preparedness Rulemaking and Guidance and Revision of FEMA Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program (REPP) Manual
- Description of the unique Joint NRC/FEMA process
- Review of the Process, Timeline and Openness and Transparency advances
- Summary of the Rulemaking and Guidance scope
- Summary of Comments received
- Moving forward

Stakeholder Panel

25 mins.*

State and Local Representatives

Kevin Leuer, Director, Minnesota - Preparedness Branch, Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

5 mins.*

Patrick Mulligan, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Nuclear Engineering

5 mins.*

Non-Governmental Organizations

Mary Lampert, Director, Pilgrim Watch

5 mins.*

Deborah Brancato, Staff Attorney, Riverkeeper

5 mins.*

Industry

Thomas Joyce, President and Chief Nuclear Officer, PSEG Nuclear

5 mins.*

Topic:

- Comments on the Emergency Planning Final Rule

Commission Q & A

50 mins.

BREAK

5 mins.

NRC Staff and FEMA Return for Commission Questions

50 mins.

NRC and FEMA Staff (same as above)

Discussion – Wrap-up

5 mins.

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

Documents:

-Draft Final Emergency Planning Rule due April 8, 2011.

Staff background material due to SECY: April 19, 2011.

Slides due to SECY: April 26, 2011.

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