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SECRETARY

Ed Halpin
President and Chief Executive Officer and Chairman
South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company
P.O. Box 289
Wadsworth, TX 77483

Dear Mr. Halpin:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on the status of outreach and educational efforts with external stakeholders related to the Safety Culture Policy Statement, on February 9, 2012, 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 a discussion of the South Texas Project safety culture pilot. 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.

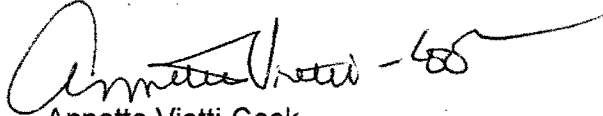
To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including slides/viewgraphs, to Ms. Rochelle Bavol and Ms. Sandy Joosten (rochelle.bavol@nrc.gov and sandy.joosten@nrc.gov) in the Office of the Secretary, by February 2, 2012, so that it can be distributed to 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. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Annette Vietti-Cook" with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Annette Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

Draft: 12/6/11

SCHEDULING NOTE

Title: BRIEFING ON STATUS OF OUTREACH AND EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS WITH EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS RELATED TO THE SAFETY CULTURE POLICY STATEMENT (Public)

Purpose: To provide the Commission a discussion of the status of activities the external stakeholders have been engaged in and the outreach and educational efforts the staff has taken with the regulated communities. In addition, any potential future activities will be discussed. This meeting will also facilitate Commission voting on future implementation plans.

Scheduled: February 9, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Duration: Approx. 3 hours

Location: Commissioners' Conference Room, 1st floor OWFN

Participants: **Presentation**

External Panel **40 mins.***

Janet Schlueter, Director, Fuel and Materials Safety, 10 mins.*
Nuclear Energy Institute, Fuel Cycle Facilities Representative

Topic: Discussion of industry implementation of Safety Culture.

Lee Cox, Organization of Agreement States, Director of Emerging 10 mins.*
Issues and Advocacy, and Chief, North Carolina Division of Health Service
Regulation, Department of Health and Human Services

Topic: Discussion of activities completed and planned related to the Safety
Culture Policy Statement.

Ed Halpin, Chief Nuclear Officer, South Texas Project 10 mins.*
Nuclear Operating Company

Topic: Discussion of South Texas Project Safety Culture Pilot.

Billie Garde, Attorney and Partner at Clifford & Garde, LLP 10 mins.*
(Invited, but not yet confirmed.)

Topic: Views on industry activities related to the Safety Culture Policy
Statement.

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Break **5 mins.**

NRC Staff Panel **30 mins.***

Bill Borchardt , Executive Director for Operations	
Andy Campbell , Deputy Director, Office of Enforcement	2 mins.*
Diane J. Sieracki , Senior Safety Culture Program Manager, Office of Enforcement	4 mins.*
Undine Shoop , Branch Chief, Health Physics and Human Performance Branch, NRR	6 mins.*
Cindy Flannery , Health Physicist, Intergovernmental Liaison Branch, FSME	6 mins.*
Laura Dudes , Director, Division of Construction Inspection and Operations Program, NRO	6 mins.*
John Kinneman , Director, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation, NMSS	6 mins.*

Topic: Discussion of outreach and educational activities completed and planned related to the Safety Culture Policy Statement.

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Discussion – Wrap-up **5 mins.**

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

Documents:

- Chairman tasking memo issued 7/22/11; Implementation Plan due 1/26/12.
- Staff background material due to SECY: January 26, 2012.
- Slides due to SECY: February 2, 2012.

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