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SECRETARY

Christopher Thomas  
Executive Director  
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on proposed revisions to Part 61 and the Low-Level Waste (LLW) Volume Reduction Policy Statement, on March 8, 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 your views on the Part 61 site-specific analysis rulemaking and the LLW Volume Reduction Policy Statement. The draft final policy statement is due January 10<sup>th</sup>, and the draft proposed rule is due February 1<sup>st</sup>. As soon as the papers are publicly released, my staff will provide them to you.

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.

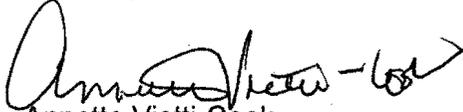
To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including slides/viewgraphs, to Ms. Rochelle Baval and Ms. Sandy Joosten ([rochelle.baval@nrc.gov](mailto:rochelle.baval@nrc.gov) and [sandy.joosten@nrc.gov](mailto:sandy.joosten@nrc.gov)) in the Office of the Secretary, by March 1, 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](http://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 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. 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. 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 stylized flourish at the end.

Annette Vietti-Cook  
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

Draft: 1/5/12

**SCHEDULING NOTE**

**Title:** **BRIEFING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO PART 61 AND THE LOW-LEVEL WASTE (LLW) VOLUME REDUCTION POLICY STATEMENT (Public)**

**Purpose:** To receive presentations on the final LLW Volume Reduction Policy statement and proposed revisions to Part 61 and provide the Commission with a broad overview of issues and activities within the LLW regulatory arena.

**Scheduled:** **March 8, 2012**  
**9:00 am**

**Duration:** Approx. 3 hours and 20 minutes

**Location:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> fl OWFN

**Participants:**

**Panel 1 - External Stakeholders** **50 mins.\***

**Ralph Andersen**, Senior Director, Radiation Safety and Environmental Protection, Nuclear Energy Institute (materials and reactors perspective) **10 mins.\***

**Tom Magette**, Senior Vice President, Nuclear Regulatory Strategy, EnergySolutions (LLW Operator) **10 mins.\***

**William Dornsife**, Executive Vice President, Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Waste Control Specialists (LLW Operator) **10 mins.\***

**Leonard Slosky**, Rocky Mountain LLW Board (Alternate: Mike Garner, Northwest Interstate Compact) (LLW compact perspective) **10 mins.\***

**Chris Thomas**, HEAL Utah (Environmental Group) **10 mins.\***

Topics:

- Site-Specific Analysis Rulemaking
- LLW Volume Reduction Policy Statement

**Commission Q & A** **50 mins.**

**Break** **5 mins.**

**Panel 2 - Regulators (NRC and Agreement State)**

**55 mins.\***

**Bill Borchardt**, Executive Director for Operations

**Mark Satorius**, Director, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs

**Rusty Lundberg**, Director, Utah Division of Radiation Control and Organization of Agreement States (10 mins.\*)

**Susan Jablonski**, Director, Radioactive Materials Division, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Organization of Agreement States (10 mins.\*)

**Dave Allard**, Director, Pennsylvania Dept. of Environmental Protection and Organization of Agreement States (State that exports LLW) (10 mins.\*)

**Gregory Suber**, Chief Low-Level Waste Branch, Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, FSME

**Andrew Carrera**, Health Physicist, Rulemaking Branch A, Division of Intergovernmental Liaison and Rulemaking, FSME

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**Commission Q & A**

**50 mins.**

**Discussion – Wrap-up**

**5 mins.**

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

Documents:

- Final Volume Reduction Policy Statement due 1/10/12.
- Proposed Rule for Option 2-limited scope rulemaking in 10 CFR Part 61 to specify a requirement for a site analysis for the disposal of large quantities of DU and technical requirements for such an analysis due 2/1/12.

Staff background material due to SECY: February 23, 2012.

Slides due to SECY: March 1, 2012.

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