

July 26, 2012

Organization: Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Date: September 12 - 13, 2012 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Time)

Location: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)
Two White Flint North, Auditorium
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland 20852

Purpose: The Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) is hosting a Regulatory Conference sponsored by the Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation (SFST), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). The staff is soliciting stakeholder participation to serve on panels and as presenters concerning regulatory issues in the areas of transportation and storage of nuclear material.

Participants: NRC Staff, Industry Representatives, and Stakeholders

Stakeholders who wish to participate and give a formal presentation or provide white papers at the meeting on selected topics should e-mail or call the meeting contact as soon as possible, but no later than August 16, 2012. These requests will be considered in development of the final agenda.

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Pre-registration: Members of the public who will attend the Conference may pre-register for a security visitor badge. Those interested in pre-registering should e-mail or call the meeting contact as soon as possible, but no later than September 5, 2012.

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Enclosure:

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Preliminary Agenda*

2012 SFST Regulatory Conference (REG CON 2012)

The SFST Regulatory Conference (REG CON 2012) is an annual forum to discuss NRC regulatory and technical issues involving spent fuel storage, and the transportation of radioactive material. The Conference provides an opportunity to share with interested stakeholders our regulatory perspectives and initiatives on pertinent licensing, inspection, and regulatory challenges. The forum also provides an opportunity for stakeholders to share experiences and provide insights on improving regulatory oversight in spent fuel storage and transportation. The NRC has objectives of improving openness, regulatory effectiveness, and predictability, while ensuring public health and safety in the storage of spent nuclear fuel and transportation of radioactive material. It is a goal of this conference to achieve these objectives through constructive dialogue with our stakeholders.

Day 1 – Wednesday, September 12, 2012

7:30 - 8:45 AM – Conference Check-in

8:45 – 9:15 AM – Welcome and Introduction

9:15 – 9:45 AM – NRC Keynote Speaker

9:45 – 10:00 AM – Break

10:00 – 11:30 AM – Panel 1: Operating Experience

This session will focus on current and future industry programs for communicating, retaining, and addressing operating experience, focusing on the challenges of sharing information between vendors and the relationship between vendors, general licensees, and users groups.

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 – 3:00 PM – Panel 2: Non-Spent Fuel Transportation

This session will focus on regulatory challenges in the non-spent fuel transportation arena. The radioactive materials transportation program represents a broad spectrum of stakeholders and regulatory challenges, whose issues may be unique from those specific to spent nuclear fuel storage and transportation. The session will focus on certification issues, which have broad application across Type B and fissile packaging.

3:00 – 3:15 PM – Break

3:15 – 4:00 PM – Information Session:

NUREG-2150: A Proposed Risk Management Framework

NUREG-2125: Spent Fuel Transportation Risk Assessment, Draft

4:00 – 4:30 PM – Summary Discussion of Panels

* The final meeting agenda will be posted to the public meeting website by September 6, 2012.

Day 2 – Thursday, September 13, 2012

7:30 – 8:45 AM – Continuation of Conference Check-In

8:45 – 9:00 AM – Welcome Remarks

9:00 – 10:15 AM – Panel 3: High Burnup Fuel Storage and Transportation

This panel will focus on issues associated with the storage and transportation of high burnup spent nuclear fuel, including regulatory compliance issues for both 10 CFR Parts 71 and 72, available data on cladding structural integrity, and consequences of fuel reconfiguration.

10:15 – 10:30 AM – Break

10:30 – 11:30 AM – Continuation of Panel 3

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 PM – Panel 4: Technical Issues

This session will focus on technical issues related to storage of spent nuclear fuel, including recent vacuum drying events and shielding issues associated with dry cask storage loading.

2:30 – 2:45 PM – Break

2:45 – 3:15 PM – Summary Discussion of Panels and Future Conference Discussions

3:15 – 3:45 PM – Closing Remarks