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Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
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Public Address Integrated Solution

On September 26, 2012, as a result of an 8(a) non-competitive solicitation, a firm-fixed-price contract (NRC-HQ-12-C-10-0118) was awarded to Singhal & Company, Inc. of Reston, VA for modernization, preventive maintenance, and servicing of NRC headquarters-wide Public Address system. The period of performance is September 28, 2012 to March 27, 2014, with four 1-year option periods. The total cost is \$576,317.44, inclusive of all options.

Non-Power Reactor License Renewal: Final Regulatory Basis; Availability of Rulemaking Documents; 10 CFR Part 50 (RIN 3150-A196; NRC-2011-0087)

On October 2, 2012, the NRC published a document in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 60039) making available the final regulatory basis for rulemaking to streamline non-power reactor license renewal. This final regulatory basis incorporates input from the public, licensees, certificate holders, and other stakeholders provided during the public comment period that ended July 31, 2012. This regulatory basis provides the technical basis to support proceeding with rulemaking to streamline and enhance the Research and Test Reactor License Renewal Process. This contemplated rulemaking also recommends conforming changes to address technical issues in existing non-power reactor regulations. The final technical basis for this proposed rulemaking describes the agency's overall objectives, conceptual approaches, potential solutions, integration with agency strategic goals, and related technical and regulatory clarity issues.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
 Items of Interest
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Arrivals		
Wong, Melanie	BRANCH CHIEF	NRR
Retirements		
None		
Departures		
Cavanaugh, James	PROGRAM SUPPORT SPECIALIST	ASLBP
Cerne, Antone	CONSULTANT	NRO
Cheng, May	IT SPECIALIST	IS
Gardner, Ronald	CONSULTANT	NRO
Gillen, Daniel	CONSULTANT	IP
Griffith, Peter	CONSULTANT	RES
Johnson, Timothy	SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER	NMSS
O'Rourke, Christine	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	R-I
Potters, Louis	CONSULTANT	FSME
Youngblood, Thomas	HEALTH PHYSICIST	FSME

Office of the Information Services (OIS)
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Association of Records Managers and Administrators International Annual Conference

Office of the Information Services (OIS) staff attended the Association of Records Managers and Administrators International Annual Conference on September 23 – 25, 2012, in Chicago, Illinois. As the premier association on managing records and information, this conference is attended by Federal government and industry professionals. Conference education classes covered topics such as enterprise content management and information governance strategies and provided insight on records considerations in the new era of social, cloud-based, and mobile business. Other topics included preservation, litigation, and marketing techniques. OIS will use the knowledge gained about best practices and technology tools to help manage NRC records and information.

Managing Government Records Directive Workshop

On September 27, 2012, the NRC Agency Records Officer participated on a panel at a Potomac Forum Workshop. This workshop focused on the requirements and deadlines mandated by the August 24, 2012, Managing Government Records Directive. Key representatives from the National Archives and Records Administration and other Federal agencies discussed the directive and their plans to meet the goals of the directive, including to the fullest extent possible, eliminating paper and using electronic recordkeeping.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of September 28, 2012 - October 04, 2012:

All documents pertaining to all planned or proposed fourth generation nuclear power plants to be built in the United States	FOIA/PA-2012-0331
Copy of Materials Licensing Tracking System database, list of specific fields and record layout	FOIA/PA-2012-0332
All documents regarding coordination between the NRC and Georgia Power or Southern Company to address drought conditions (including Plant Hatch and flow support from the Central Hydro Group)	FOIA/PA-2012-0333
Bottom line study of Chernobyl melt-down in 1986, levels of radiation released and conclusions on safety (2009 through 2012)	FOIA/PA-2012-0334
Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, all documents on inspections, status reports, enforcements, violations, etc...1970-2010	FOIA/PA-2013-0001
Allegation letter, investigation report, Allegation closure letter, action documentation letter of substantiated allegation on fuel facility Allegations Substantiated with Regulatory Response January 2008-August 2012	FOIA/PA-2013-0002
Documents relating to the movement/transportation or use of Encapsulated Strontium-90 from Nov 12, 2010–October 3, 2012	FOIA/PA-2013-0003

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research
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Organization of Test, Research, and Training Reactors Annual Conference

During the week of September 24, 2012, staff participated in an annual conference held by the Organization of Test, Research, and Training Reactors in San Diego, CA. As part of the conference, the staff held presentations on decommissioning funding, cyber security, oversight and licensing activities, including the draft revision of NUREG-1537, Chapter 7, "Guidelines for Preparing and Reviewing Applications for Instrumentation and Control Upgrades for Non-Power Reactors," and other areas of interest to the research and test reactor community.

Cooper Station, National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 805 (NFPA 805), Regulatory Audit

During the week of October 1, 2012, the staff conducted an NFPA 805 regulatory audit at the Cooper Station. The audit team reviewed NFPA 805 transition documents related to Cooper's NFPA 805 license amendment request. Cooper's staff and their contractors conducted presentations, technical discussions, and plant tours to help the audit team verify the details of the licensee's amendment request to transition to an NFPA 805 Fire Protection Program.

Office of Public Affairs (OPA)
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OPA received significant media inquiries on the following:

The Southern California Edison response to the NRC's confirmatory action letter and the return to service plan for the San Onofre nuclear plant's unit 2 (CA).

The NRC's response to a recent safety culture survey by the Office of Inspector General and Congressman Markey letter on Region IV's safety culture.

The preliminary results of the special inspection at the Palisades (MI) nuclear plant that examined a leak from a control rod drive mechanism.

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

- OPA participated in a Region III webinar public meeting, answered local media questions.
- OPA participated in the Commission briefing on the strategic programmatic overview of the nuclear materials users and decommissioning and low-level waste and followed up with reporters.

OPA Social Media Items:

Blog:

- NRC Licenses "Deconversion" Plant and Marks Several Firsts
- Thinking 'Out Of the Box' on Public Communications
- Generic Communications – What That Means for the Nuclear Power Industry

Press Releases	
Headquarters:	
12-108	NRC Issues License to International Isotopes for Uranium Deconversion Facility in New Mexico (10/2)
Regions:	
II-12-058	NRC to Increase Oversight of Harris Nuclear Power Plant (10/4)
IV-12-041	NRC Proposes \$11,200 Fine to Avera McKennan Hospital (10/4)
IV-12-042	NRC Receives Response to Confirmatory Action Letter, Action Plan for San Onofre Unit Proposed NRC Review to Take Months (10/4)
IV-12-043	NRC Names Panelists for Public Meeting to Discuss San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Issues (10/4)

Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Information Papers		
1. SECY-12-0123	9/13/12	Update on Staff Plans to Apply the Full-Scope Site Level 3 Probabilistic Risk Assessment Project Results to the NRC's Regulatory Framework
2. SECY-12-0131	10/3/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending September 21, 2012
3. SECY-12-0125	9/20/12	Interim Actions to Execute Commission Preemption Authority Under Section 161a of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended
Memoranda		
1. M120925B	10/2/12	Staff Requirements – Briefing on Strategic Programmatic Overview of the New Reactors Business Line
2. M120911	10/4/12	Staff Requirements – Briefing on Economic Consequences