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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JANUARY 29 PUBLIC TELECONFERENCE TO  
DISCUSS STATUS OF WASTE CONFIDENCE GENERIC  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND RULEMAKING

On Wednesday, January 29, 2014, members of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a Category 3 public teleconference at the NRC headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. The purpose of the teleconference was to maintain an open line of communication with the public by providing a status update on the NRC staff's review of public comments received on the Waste Confidence draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) and proposed rule. Participants had an opportunity to ask questions and comment on the NRC's process and activities.

The meeting began at 1:30 p.m. and concluded at approximately 2:30 p.m. EST. The NRC staff began the meeting with a message of appreciation to callers for their involvement, and continued with a status update on the Waste Confidence rulemaking. Staff reported that the comment period on the draft GEIS and proposed rule closed on December 20, 2013, approximately 1400 people participated in the 13 public meetings on the draft GEIS and proposed rule. By the close of the comment period the NRC received 33,000 comment submissions and transcribed about 1,600 pages of comments. Staff also reported that the Commission extended the Waste Confidence rulemaking schedule by one month, with publication of the final GEIS and rule scheduled to occur no later than October 3, 2014. The staff reminded participants to send an e-mail to [WCO Outreach@nrc.gov](mailto:WCO Outreach@nrc.gov) to receive further updates regarding Waste Confidence activities.

There were 111 participants in the teleconference representing members of the public, tribal and state governments, industry, public advocacy and environmental interest groups, and the NRC and its contractors. A list of meeting attendees is attached.

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Questions during the teleconference concerned the staff's process for reviewing and responding to comments received on the Waste Confidence draft GEIS and proposed rule; the number of comments received on the documents; the process and schedule for the rest of the rulemaking; whether the NRC would issue a record of decision; when reactor licensing can resume following issuance of the final GEIS and rule; whether the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit reviews the final GEIS and rule; the applicability of the Waste Confidence rulemaking to reactors that have already received their operating license or license renewal; public involvement in the rulemaking going forward; if the Commission review versions of the final GEIS and rule would be public while they are under Commission review; and how site-specific concerns would be handled in the final rule.

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**NRC Teleconference Attendees**  
**Status of Waste Confidence GEIS and Rule**  
**January 29, 2014 1:30 – 2:30 PM EST**

	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
1	Grace	Adams	Private Citizen
2	Patrick	Anderson	Missouri State Government
3	Richard	Andrews	Private Citizen
4	Dean	Baker	Tennessee Valley Authority
5	Michael	Banko	First Energy
6	Jana	Bergman	Scientech
7	Paul	Bessette	Morgan Lewis
8	Jerry	Bonanno	Nuclear Energy Institute
9	William	Boyle	US Department of Energy
10	Matt	Brock	Massachusetts Attorney General's Office
11	Jeff	Brown	Grandmothers Mothers & More for Energy Safety
12	Elizabeth	Brousse	Mothers for Peace
13	Andrew	Burgess	Ameren Missouri
14	Katie	Carpenter	City of San Clemente, CA
15	Christopher	Charles	Nuclear Energy Institute
16	Rebecca	Chin	Nuclear Adv. Committee for Duxbury, MA
17	Thomas	Cotton	Complex Systems Group
18	Randy	Crowe	NC Renewable Portfolio Standards
19	Cliff	Custer	FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company
20	Janice	Dean	State of New York
21	Kathryn	Deluca	New York State Attorney General's Office
22	Hersh	Desai	Private Citizen
23	Jeremy	Dillon	Exchange Monitor
24	Darius	Dixon	Politico
25	Steven	Dort	FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company
26	Lief	Erickson	Science tech
27	Willis	Frick	Retired
28	Donna	Gilmore	San Onofre Safety
29	Patrick	Gorman	Department of Energy
30	Paula	Gotsch	Grandmothers Mothers & More for Energy Safety
31	Chris	Grant	Illinois Attorney General's Office
32	Tim	Gregoire	ANS Nuclear News
33	Richard	Grundstrom	Federal Emergency Management Agency
34	Steven	Hamrick	Florida Power & Light
35	Mandy	Hancock	Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
36	Moe	Headington	Stand Up Save Lives Campaign
37	Elaine	Hiruo	PLATTS
38	Ace	Hoffman	Nuclear Free North County
39	Rich	Janati	PA Department of Environmental Protection

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40	Janet	Johnson	Grand Valley Peace & Justice
41	Miriam	Juckett	Southwest Research Institute
42	Michael	Kaluzniak	Minnesota Public Utility Commission
43	Sean	Kice	TN Emergency Management
44	William	Kinsella	NC State University
45	Jeremy	Kirchner	City of Dana Point
46	Michael	Klebe	IL Emergency Management Agency
47	Philip	Klevorick	Clark County Nuclear Waste Division NV
48	Connie	Kline	Private Citizen
49	Kyle	Landis-Marinello	Vermont Attorney General's Office
50	Michel	Lee	India Point Safe Energy Coalition
51	Kathy	Lewis	FL Public Service Commission
52	Marvin	Lewis	Private Citizen
53	Linda	Lewison	Sierra Club Nuclear Free Campaign/ NEIS
54	Steven	Lockes	Booze Allen
55	Rusty	Lundberg	UT Division of Radiation Control
56	Lisa	Matis	TetraTech
57	Rod	McCullum	Nuclear Energy Institute
58	Katrina	McMurrian	Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition
59	Susan	Michetti	John Muir Chapter of WI
60	Steve	Nesbit	Duke Energy
61	Mary	Olson	Nuclear Information Resource Service
62	Brian	Paddock	Sierra Club
63	Brandon	Paterson	Neil R Gross
64	Terry	Pickens	Xcel Energy
65	Darani	Reddick	Winston & Strawn
66	Tony	Roisman	Retained Lawyer, State of Vermont
67	Richard	Rothstein	Nuclear Committee, Plymouth, MA
68	Julia	Schmitt	State of Nebraska
69	Assaw	Senta	VA Department of Health
70	Gerri	Shapiro	Senator Kirsten Gillibrand's Office
71	Albert	Sifuentes	FEMA Region 9
72	Beverly	Silverberg	Consultant
73	John	Sipos	New York State Attorney General's Office
74	Andrew	Smith	Private Citizen
75	Bob	Snook	Connecticut Attorney General's Office
76	Steven	Sondheim	Sierra Club
77	Deanna	Spehn	CA State Legislature District 78
78	Mike	Stephens	State of FL
79	Kathryn	Sutton	Morgan Lewis
80	Erica	Teichert	Law 360
81	Ruth	Thomas	Environmentalist Inc.

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82	Tom	Tramm	Centrec
83	Judy	Treichel	Nevada Nuclear Waste Task Force
84	Joan	Walter	California Energy Commission
85	Patricia	Ware	Bloomberg BNA
86	Heather	Westra	Prairie Island Indian Community
87	Jeff	Williams	Department of Energy
88	Suzanne	Yohannan	Inside Washington
89	Ron	Zak	NJ Environmental Protection Agency
90	Tom	Zimmer	Concerned Citizen
91	Sabrina	Atack	NRC
92	Tamara	Bloomer	NRC
93	Tison	Campbell	NRC
94	Margaret	Cervera	NRC
95	Yen	Chen	NRC
96	Merri	Horn	NRC
97	Andy	Imboden	NRC
98	Sarah	Lopas	NRC
99	Timothy	McCartin	NRC
100	Keith	McConnell	NRC
101	Dave	McIntyre	NRC
102	Christine	Pineda	NRC
103	Jessie	Quintero	NRC
104	TR	Rowe	NRC
105	Carrie	Safford	NRC
106	Robert	Schaaf	NRC
107	Neil	Sheehan	NRC
108	Jean	Trefethen	NRC
109	Jenny	Weil	NRC
110	Susan	Wittick	NRC
111	Mary	Woollen	NRC