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**Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
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Explosives, Weapons, and Response Tactics Course

On June 29, 2015, as a result of a non-competitive solicitation, firm-fixed price contract NRC-HQ-84-15-C-0005 was awarded to the City of Chattanooga, Tennessee. The objective of this contract is to assist the NRC in conducting training courses on explosives, weapons and tactics, breaching operations, and local law enforcement agencies' response protocol for NRC personnel, contractors, and Agreement State inspectors in support of their security inspection requirements and missions. The period of performance is from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016. The total fixed price is \$425,000.

Revision of Fee Schedules; Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2015: Final Rule; Parts 170 and 171 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (Regulation Identifier Number 3150-AJ44; NRC-2014-0200)

On June 30, 2015, the NRC published a final rule in the *Federal Register* ([80 FR 37432](#)), amending the licensing, inspection, and annual fees charged to its applicants and licensees. These amendments are necessary to implement the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, as amended, which requires the NRC to recover, through fees, approximately 90 percent of its budget authority in fiscal year 2015, not including amounts appropriated for waste incidental to reprocessing, the Nuclear Waste Fund, generic homeland security activities, and inspector general services for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board. These fees represent the cost of the NRC's services provided to applicants and licensees. This rule is effective August 31, 2015.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
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ARRIVALS		
Maher, Brendan	Summer Engineer	NRR
RETIREMENTS		
Bubar, Patrice	Chief of Staff	COMM
Klementowicz, Stephen	Senior Health Physicist	NRR
Madden, Patrick	Deputy Director, Division of Risk Analysis	RES
Mayer, Kathleen	Budget Analyst	R-I
McCormick, Chad	Human Resources Specialist	R-III
Mitchell, Mark	Health Physicist	R-III
Schmidt, Wayne	Senior Reactor Analyst	R-I
Urban, Richard	Senior Allegations Coordinator	R-I
DEPARTURES		
None		

**Office of Information Services (OIS)
Items of Interest
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received
During the Period of June 26 – July 2, 2015:

Any and all documents associated with the Summer special inspection that was initiated on February 23, 2015.	FOIA/PA-2015-0348
A copy of Guide No. 77 "Insider Mitigation Program."	FOIA/PA-2015-0349
Copies of all released records and response letters to FOIA case 2013-0065 "Nation Source Tracking System."	FOIA/PA-2015-0350
List of open cases assigned to the Office of the Inspector General and the dates they were submitted.	FOIA/PA-2015-0351
The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Information Digest dated March 30, 2011.	FOIA/PA-2015-0352
Copies of initial FOIA requests for: 2011-0354, 2011-0356, 2011-0351, 2011-0358, 2011-0333, 2011-0251, 2011-0252, 2011-0212, 2011-0236, 2011-0122, Con-2015-0001, 2013-0034, 2013-005A, 2013-001A, 2012-0004, 2012-0005, 2012-0088, 2012-0081, 2012-0181, 2012-0213, and 2012-0334.	FOIA/PA-2015-0353
All response letters to FOIA Cases 2009-0156, 2009-0153, 2009-0203, and 2009-0205.	FOIA/PA-2015-0354
Copies of all FOIA court complaints served on the agency, January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2009.	FOIA/PA-2015-0355
Copy of FOIA log, February 12, 2015, through current date.	FOIA/PA-2015-0356
Appeal: Redactions made to records released in FOIA/PA-2015-0322.	FOIA/PA-2015-0047A
Copy of the firm fixed price contract NRCHQ13C210045 for Verbatim Reporting Services awarded in 2013 to Neal R. Gross and Company, Inc.	FOIA/PA-2015-0357
Any files explaining the November 23, 1957, aircraft explosion incident in Phoenix, Arizona, and any subsequent effects it may have caused.	FOIA/PA-2015-0358
Licensee Entergy Operations, Inc. recorded statements and correspondence of individuals related to Arkansas Nuclear One, Units 1 and 2, before and after March 31, 2013, stator drop incident.	FOIA/PA-2015-0359
Database that contains facilities listed on the Material Licensing Tracking system that possess or use radioactive materials as reported by the NRC.	FOIA/PA-2015-0360

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)
Items of Interest
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Workshop, “Assessment of Nuclear Structures Subject to Concrete Degradation,” at the National Institute of Standards and Technology

On June 29 through July 1, 2015, an international workshop co-chaired and organized by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission was held to assess the state of knowledge on concrete degradation (with emphasis on alkali-silica reaction) and its effects on the structural performance of nuclear concrete structures. The workshop was conducted under the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, the Nuclear Energy Agency, and the Committee on the Safety of Nuclear Installations (CSNI) umbrella and hosted by National Institute of Standards and Technology. It was attended by recognized professionals from eight countries, staff from the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, the Office of New Reactors, the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, and the NRC Regional offices, and included representatives from other regulatory agencies, academia, and industry.

The technical areas covered in the workshop included: (i) identification of various concrete degradation mechanisms, mechanical, and chemical; (ii) laboratory testing of concrete materials; (iii) modeling of concrete material degradation; (iv) laboratory structural testing; (v) modeling of concrete structures subject to materials degradation; (vi) non-destructive testing (NDT) of concrete structures; (vii) acceptance criteria for degraded concrete structures; and (viii) repair of concrete structures. A total of 22 papers were presented at the workshop including four invited presentations by international experts in coupling concrete materials degradation with concrete structure performance. Conclusions and recommendations to focus further cooperative efforts included: developing safety acceptance criteria for the licensing process, the need for improved NDT procedures to detect and analyze concrete degradation, using risk informed analysis for detection of degradation in concrete and structural modeling of the structures, the need for more large scale concrete sample testing to mitigate scale effects, and more effective coupling between concrete materials behavior and structural performance. RES staff will continue to keep cognizant agency staff informed of potential future phases of this CSNI effort.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
Items of Interest
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum – SECY-15-0040	06/30/2015	Proposed Revisions to Policy Statement on Reporting Abnormal Occurrences Criteria.
2. Voting Record – SECY-15-0040	06/30/2015	Proposed Revisions to Policy Statement on Reporting Abnormal Occurrences Criteria.
Information Papers		
1. SECY-88-355	12/28/1988	Transfer of Regulatory Responsibility for Power Reactor Decommissioning from the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) to the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS).
2. SECY-15-0084	06/30/2015	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending June 12, 2015.

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Representatives Jason Chaffetz, Elijah Cummings, and Jim Jordan responding to their letter regarding assessment and collection of fines and penalties at the NRC, dated June 22, 2015.
2. Letter to Senators James Inhofe and Shelley Moore Capito and Representatives Fred Upton, Ed Whitfield, and John Shimkus, provides the “2014 Report to Congress on Security Inspection Program for Commercial Power Reactor and Category I Fuel Cycle Facilities: Results and Status Update,” dated June 23, 2015.
3. Letter to Congresswoman Nita Lowey responding to her letter to build a new natural gas pipeline about one-quarter mile from the Indian Point Energy Center Unit 2 and 3 reactors, June 24, 2015.
4. Letter to Representatives Fred Upton, John Shimkus, Ed Whitfield, Harold Rogers, and Mike Simpson, and Senators James Inhofe, Shelley Moore Capito, and Lamar Alexander provides the May monthly status report on the NRC’s activities and use of unobligated carryover funds appropriated from the Nuclear Waste Fund, dated June 24, 2015.