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**Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
Week Ending November 20, 2015**

Mitigation of Beyond-Design-Basis Events: Proposed Rule; Parts 50 and 52 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) (Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) 3150-AJ49; NRC-2011-0189 and NRC-2014-0240; PRM-50-97 and PRM-50-98)

On November 13, 2015, the NRC published a proposed rule in the *Federal Register* ([80 FR 70610](#)) to amend its regulations that establish regulatory requirements for nuclear power reactor applicants and licensees to mitigate beyond-design-basis events. The NRC is proposing to make generically applicable requirements in Commission orders for mitigation of beyond-design-basis events and for reliable spent fuel pool instrumentation. This proposed rule would establish regulatory requirements for an integrated response capability, including supporting requirements for command and control, drills, training, and change control. This proposed rule also would establish requirements for enhanced onsite emergency response capabilities. Finally, this proposed rule would address a number of petitions for rulemaking submitted to the NRC following the March 2011 Fukushima Dai-ichi event. Comments are due by February 11, 2016.

List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NAC International, Inc., MAGNASTOR® Cask System; Certificate of Compliance No. 1031, Amendment Nos. 0-3, Revision 1: Direct Final Rule; 10 CFR Part 72 (RIN 3150-AJ65; NRC-2015-0186)

On November 18, 2015, the NRC published a direct final rule in the *Federal Register* ([80 FR 71929](#)) to amend its spent fuel storage regulations by revising the NAC International, Inc. (NAC), MAGNASTOR® Cask System listing within the “List of approved spent fuel storage casks” to include Revision 1 to Amendment Nos. 0 (the initial Certificate), 1, 2, and 3 to Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1031. Revision 1 to Amendment Nos. 0-3 to CoC No. 1031 makes changes to the Technical Specifications (TS), including correcting a typographical error in two actual boron loadings in TS 4.1.1(a), and revising the decay times in Tables B2-4 (for Amendment Nos. 0 and 1) and B2-5 (for Amendment Nos. 2 and 3) in Appendix B of the TSs for minimum additional decay time required for spent fuel assemblies that contain nonfuel hardware. The direct final rule is effective February 1, 2016, unless significant adverse comments are received by December 18, 2015.

Regulatory Improvements for Decommissioning Power Reactors: Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR); 10 CFR Parts 26, 50, 52, 73, and 140 (RIN 3150-AJ59; NRC-2015-0070)

On November 19, 2015, the NRC published an ANPR in the *Federal Register* ([80 FR 72358](#)) to obtain input from stakeholders on the development of a draft regulatory basis. The draft regulatory basis would support potential changes to the NRC’s regulations for the decommissioning of nuclear power reactors. The NRC’s goals in amending these regulations would be to provide an efficient decommissioning process, reduce the need for exemptions from existing regulations, and support the principles of good regulation, including openness, clarity, and reliability. The NRC plans to hold a public meeting to promote full understanding of the questions contained in this ANPR and facilitate public comment. Stakeholders should monitor the NRC’s public meeting Web site for information about the public meeting at <http://www.nrc.gov/publicinvolve/public-meetings/index.cfm>. Comments are due by January 4, 2016.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
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ARRIVALS		
None		
RETIREMENTS		
None		
DEPARTURES		
Grant-Leanna, Kevin	Reactor Engineer	R-III

**Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending November 20, 2015**

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received
During the Period of November 14 – November 20, 2015:

License numbers for Nuclear Technology; Nutech Technologies, MLW Engineering Company; Nuclear Technologies, Medical Systems, Inc. and/or Nuclear Diagnostic Systems of New Haven, Inc.	FOIA/PA-2016-0099
Applications, including attachments and evaluations, to the NRC by Secured Transportation Services or any other entity for approval of routes to ship spent nuclear fuel between listed sites.	FOIA/PA-2016-0100
Document of all radioactive waste starting from your first record.	FOIA/PA-2016-0101
Copy of ML15273A287 or to have it publicly released in ADAMS.	FOIA/PA-2016-0102
Most recent, complete and full, Material Licensing Tracking System (MLTS) list.	FOIA/PA-2016-0103
Copy of the NRC's independent calculation referenced in ML15287A257, regarding the review of Entergy's 50.59 site hazards analysis.	FOIA/PA-2016-0104
Investigations Report #4-2006-0037.	FOIA/PA-2016-0105
Cell phone number assigned to FOIA Officer, named individual.	FOIA/PA-2016-0106
Copies of all 7 letters sent out by the Office of the Inspector General, in the past 60 calendar days.	FOIA/PA-2016-0107
Copies of all past subpoenas served on NRC in 2015.	FOIA/PA-2016-0108
Lawsuit that "Nuclear Information Resource Service" filed in federal court, 1989 and 1990.	FOIA/PA-2016-0109
SECY 98-152, "Summary of Issues and Recommended Improvements to the Resident Inspector Program", dated June 29, 1998.	FOIA/PA-2016-0110
Staff requirements Memorandum SECY 98-152, dated 8/21/1998	FOIA/PA-2016-0111
Pages 1-100 of NRC Standard Review Plan, NUREG-800.	FOIA/PA-2016-0112
Pages 1 through 100 of NUREG-0910, NRC Comprehensive records Disposition Schedule.	FOIA/PA-2016-0113
Pages 1 through 100 of NURGEG 1412.	FOIA/PA-2016-0114
Copy of ML073370675.	FOIA/PA-2016-0115
Org chart and roster of NRC's Advanced reactor technical advisory group.	FOIA/PA-2016-0116
Pages 1 through 100 of ML13149A079.	FOIA/PA-2016-0117
Memorandum from named individual on "Instructions for developing briefing materials", 6/9/1997, and "Implementation of the Seven-Year Relocation Policy For Resident Inspectors", Memorandum from Hugh Thompson to all regional administration, 9/21/1998.	FOIA/PA-2016-0118
Index of all NRC inspection procedures, and inspection procedure 71707.	FOIA/PA-2016-0119
Memorandum of Agreement between NRC and Institute of Nuclear Power Operations, dated November 27, 1996.	FOIA/PA-2016-0120
All internal and external communication related to FOIA/PA-2015-0270.	FOIA/PA-2016-0121
Collective bargaining agreement between NRC and National Treasury Employees Union.	FOIA/PA-2016-0122

Copies of the 20 listed initial FOIA requests.	FOIA/PA-2016-0123
All internal communication related to FOIA 2015-0477.	FOIA/PA-2016-0124
Non-Concurrence form for FOIA 2015-0251 and form 496.	FOIA/PA-2016-0125
Appeal the interim and final responses and the redactions made in reference to FOIA/PA-2015-0474.	FOIA/PA-2016-0019A
Appeal the search performed in FOIA/PA-2015-0489.	FOIA/PA-2016-0020A
Appeal search performed in FOIA/PA-2015-0490.	FOIA/PA-2016-0021A
Appeal administrative closing due to denial of fee waiver in FOIA/PA-2015-0499.	FOIA/PA-2016-0022A
Appeal denial of fee waiver to FOIA/PA-2016-0021.	FOIA/PA-2016-0023A
Appeal fee waiver denial to FOIA/PA-2016-0025.	FOIA/PA-2016-0024A
Appeal denial of fee waiver to FOIA/PA-2016-0028.	FOIA/PA-2016-0025A
Appeal denial of fee waiver to FOIA/PA-2016-0037.	FOIA/PA-2016-0026A
Appeal the redactions made in response to FOIA/PA-2016-0038.	FOIA/PA-2016-0027A
Appeal the full denial of requested records to FOIA/PA-2016-0040.	FOIA/PA-2016-0028A
Appeal of full denial of another agency records, FOIA/PA-2016-0052.	FOIA/PA-2016-0029A
Appeal of full denial of another agency records, FOIA/PA-2016-0053.	FOIA/PA-2016-0030A
Appeal the denial of fee waiver to FOIA/PA-2016-0056.	FOIA/PA-2016-0031A
Appeal the redactions made to FOIA/PA-2016-0057.	FOIA/PA-2016-0032A

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)
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Public Workshop on the “Treatment of Uncertainties in Risk-Informed Decisionmaking”

On November 18-19, 2015, RES and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) co-sponsored a public workshop on the “Treatment of Uncertainties in Risk-Informed Decision Making.” The workshop built on NUREG-1855, “Guidance on the Treatment of Uncertainties Associated with Probability Risk Assessments in Risk-Informed Decision Making,” Revision 1, and companion EPRI reports developed under a Memorandum of Understanding. The guidance in the reports focuses on identification of uncertainties, performing uncertainty analyses, and consideration of uncertainty analysis in the decision making process. The goal of the workshop was to discuss the revised guidance and explore whether additional guidance is needed. The workshop was well attended by interested internal and external stakeholders. Workshop outcomes will be documented in a summary report.

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Public Meeting on Probabilistic Risk Assessment

On November 17, 2015, the staff held a public meeting with Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), and external stakeholders, including the public, to discuss fire probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) methods and frequently asked questions (FAQs). Discussion topics included the industry white paper on the implementation of new methods and data, industry's presentation on potential improvements to fire PRA realism, and the status of open fire PRA FAQs.

Pre-licensing Meeting with Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC

On November 18, 2015, representatives of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke) and the staff held a pre-licensing meeting to discuss Duke's plans to submit a relief request to address electrical cable and configuration issues at Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3. The licensee's proposed submittal is expected to address an unresolved inspection item identified during an NRC Component Design Basis Inspection in 2014.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
Items of Interest
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Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Shelley Moore Capito, et al., submits the NRC's Semiannual Report on the Status of our Licensing and other Regulatory Activities from April through September 2015, dated November 9, 2015.
2. Letter to David Powner, Director, Information Technology, U.S. GAO, et al., responds to the report entitled "Information Technology Reform: Billions of Dollars in Savings Have Been Realized, but Agencies Need to Complete Reinvestment Plans" (GAO-15-617), dated November 10, 2015.
3. Letter to the Honorable Shaun Donovan, Director, Office of Management and Budget provides the NRC's Fiscal Year 2015 Federal Information Security Management Act Report, dated November 13, 2015.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. 629th meeting of the Office of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) December 2-5, 2015.
2. ACRS Subcommittee on Reliability and Probabilistic Risk Assessment Notice of Meeting – December 1, 2015.
1. ACRS Subcommittee on Power Upgrades – Notice of Meeting December 2, 2015.
2. ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures – Notice of Meeting December 2, 2015.