

March 6, 2017

ORGANIZATION: National Organization of Test, Research, and Training Reactors

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017, MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF TEST, RESEARCH, AND TRAINING REACTORS

On February 21, 2017, a Category 2 public meeting was held between the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff and the National Organization of Test, Research, and Training Reactors (TRTR) at NRC Headquarters, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, via teleconference. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss NRC personnel changes, rulemaking, generic communications, upcoming meetings, and other items of interest to the TRTR community. The meeting notice and agenda, dated February 7, 2017, are available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at Accession No. ML17040A587. A list of attendees is provided as an enclosure. The following is a description of the topics covered by the NRC staff and the TRTR community.

**Personnel Changes and Management Items:** Gregory Bowman will be the Acting Deputy Director of the Division of Policy and Rulemaking until Jane Marshall becomes the permanent Deputy Director in October of this year. Angela Baxter will be taking over for Carole Revelle, Operator Licensing Assistant when Carole retires in April of this year.

**Licensing:** A draft revision to Regulatory Guide (RG) 2.6, "Emergency Planning for Research and Test Reactors," is scheduled to be published in the *Federal Register* for public comment Friday, February 24, 2017. The revision endorses American National Standards Institute/American Nuclear Society (ANSI/ANS)-15.16-2015, "Emergency Planning for Research Reactors," and has expanded applicability to the Molybdenum-99 facilities. Facilities will have 60 days from the publication of the draft to provide comments to the NRC. In addition, plans are being formulated to update NUREG-1537, "Guidelines for Preparing and Reviewing Applications for the Licensing of Non-Power Reactors."

**Oversight:** Licensees are reminded to provide complete and accurate paperwork submissions and to ensure that all forms have appropriate signatures. Documents should be addressed to the U.S. NRC Document Control Desk. Documents should be co-addressed to the project manager or operator license examiner. Documents should be classified or marked appropriately, using applicable regulations and guidance, including Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 73, "Physical Protection of Plants and Materials," 10 CFR 2.390, "Public inspections, exemptions, requests for withholding," NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2014-14, "Clarification of Information Security Requirements for Non-Power Reactor Licensees," and RG 5.79, "Protection of Safeguards Information."

Meetings relevant to the interests of the TRTR community:

- NRC 2017 Regulatory Information Conference, Session TH24, "Streamlining Research and Test Reactor License Renewal," Thursday, March 16, 2017, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- September 17-21, 2017, TRTR Annual Conference, will be hosted by the University of Missouri-Columbia Research Reactor [MURR], in San Diego, CA, at the Manchester Grand Hyatt. It is anticipated that the NRC will make presentations on Monday, September 18, 2017.
- The proposed 2017 TRTR Executive Committee Teleconference schedule is for Tuesdays, May 16, August 29, and November 14, 2017.

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