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## General Comment

My suggestions for meeting locations to develop a report identifying best practices for establishment and operation of local community advisory boards associated with decommissioning activities:

It is my understanding that NRC is planning a minimum of ten public meetings. Obviously, such meetings should take place in locations handy to citizens closest to nuclear plants that are already undergoing decommissioning or soon will. Here in Michigan, we have six nuclear reactors, and we're seeing on-again-off-again (mostly off-again, at the moment) lurches toward a seventh (Fermi Unit 3).

Decommissioning at Fermi Unit 1 is still not complete after a meltdown that led to its 1972 closure. It's currently in SAFSTORE. Decommissioning at Big Rock Point near Charlevoix, in northern Lower Michigan, has been underway since its 1997 shutdown and also remains incomplete. Michigan's other four reactors, obviously, will need to be decommissioned sooner or later. Palisades, in Southwest Michigan, appears to be headed for shutdown in 2022. The license for Fermi Unit 2 near Detroit will expire in about five years. License expiration for D.C. Cook's two reactors in Southwest Michigan are about 14 and 18 years away.

With Palisades being the currently operating plant that's closest to shutdown, I suggest that one of the ten meeting locations should be in Southwest Michigan, not far from the plant. Possible venues might include Lake Michigan College in South Haven, Michigan, or Van Buren Conference Center in Lawrence, Michigan.

Thank you for your concern and for your consideration.