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Our policy for withholding information from the public has changed over the years as we have worked to balance security concerns with the public's right to know how we regulate. Our current guidance was published in Regulatory Issue Summary 2005-31, Revision 1. It is available at <https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1619/ML16196A237.pdf>. Screening criteria is provided in Enclosure 2 and criteria specific to fuel facilities begins on Page 9 of the enclosure.

I plan to be at the public meeting on May 16 and can discuss this matter further if you wish.

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U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
COMMUNICATION PLAN
FOR THE WITHHOLDING OF INFORMATION
CONCERNING NUCLEAR FUEL SERVICES
AND BWX TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
Revision 1
Background

A White House Memorandum to Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies dated March 19, 2002, requested sensitive information pertaining to homeland security be properly protected. On May 10, 2004, the Department of Energy/Naval Reactors (DOE/NR) informed the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) that documentation pertaining to the NRC licensees Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc., (NFS), and BWX Technologies, Inc., (BWXT), which had previously been made publicly available by the NRC, should be considered, at a minimum, Official Use Only (OUO) on the basis that it constitutes sensitive unclassified information (SUI). DOE/NR determined that public access to the collection of documents related to these facilities could pose a threat to national security and, therefore, information related to NR programs needed to be removed from the public server. As part of honoring that request, and as directed by the Commission, the NRC removed the information from public access. In addition to removing BWXT and NFS information from public access, the staff will designate all future exchanges of information between the NRC and NFS or BWXT, related to the DOE/NR programs, as OUO, at a minimum.

For the NFS Blended Low-enriched Uranium (BLEU) project and other activities at BWXT and NFS that are located outside of the protected area, the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) will continue to coordinate with the licensees, and, if necessary, DOE/NR, to ensure that information regarding these sites are handled appropriately.

Kevin, is this OOU still in effect?^^^ for NFS and BWXT or is it part of the 1700 in some documents and 1900 in other documents that were redacted? Or is the still in effect? Are we to accept the word of BWXT and NFS? And what is THE PROTECTED AREA? Where exactly is that? I am going to forward you my letter to the DOE Inspector General as the public has paid too high a price. And I need to know what is considered the protected area and where are the document referred to here?

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