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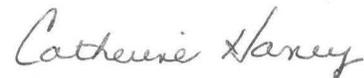
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**Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)
Items of Interest
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**Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals
Received During the Period of June 10 – June 14, as submitted by requester**

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2019-000325	Jason A. Leasure	Vital & Vital LC	Copies of all federal statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines, and the like that relate to the control of radiation in OH, specifically including, but not limited to, the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Piketon, OH; records that relate in any way to the nuclear reservation or site(s) located in Pike County, OH, also commonly known as the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant; and all records relating to the recent and sudden closure of Zahn's Corner Middle School.	06/11/2019
2019-000326	Catherine Napolitano	Pugh Accardo Law Firm	The Type B Regulatory Application for the QSA Global Model 360 (Certificate No. USA/9371/B(U)96).	06/11/2019
2019-000327	William G. Miossi	Winston & Strawn LLP	The full, un-redacted Office of Investigations Report No. 2-2017-004, including all supporting evidence identified at pages 25-26 of same report, including the complete transcripts of testimonial evidence; and any other evidence relied upon by OI in issued the Apparent Violation dated May 15, 2019 that was not referenced or identified in Report No. 2-2017-004.	06/11/2019
2019-000328	Billie Pirner Garde	Clifford & Garde, LLP	All documents relating to Tennessee Valley Authority's (TVA) "integrated action plan" (Plan) to change the structure of its Employee Concerns Program, which claims to have discussed "in detail" with the NRC; and all documents	06/11/2019

			reflecting or regarding any discussion between NRC and TVA regarding the Plan and/or changes to TVA's Employee Concerns Program, including the displacement of all ECP professionals.	
2019-000329	Peter Spaulding		For the site issued terminated license number 29-03686-02 (Industrial Reactor Laboratories, Inc., Plainsboro, NJ), I seek the following from the period June 12, 2014 to June 12, 2019: 1. Copies of all correspondence (regardless of format) between any employee or representative of the NRC and any outside person or entity. This includes correspondence initiated either by the NRC or the outside party. 2. Copies of all internal NRC correspondence (regardless of format) between employees or representatives of the NRC.	06/12/2019
2019-000330	Emma Best		A copy of the list or printout or database listing of Inspector General investigations closed/reports completed during calendar year 2017.	06/12/2019
2019-000331	Corinna A. Ferrini	The Law Firm of John P. Mahoney, Esq.	Records specified in the 23 listed items in relation to a Notice of Proposed Removal of named individual	06/12/2019
2019-000332			DELETED CASE	
2019-000333	Russ Kick		FOIA request log covering 2017, which includes a field showing the subject of each request and a field for the final disposition.	06/13/2019
2019-000334	Emma Best		A copy of the list or printout or database listing of Inspector General investigations closed/reports completed during calendar year 2018. If the list is organized by FY rather than calendar year, the FY 2018 list is sufficient for this request. If no central list or database exists, then I request copies of the cover sheet or first page of each IG report completed during calendar year 2018.	06/13/2019

2019-000335	John A. McClellan		Data on NRC direct leased properties excluding leases negotiated through the General Services Administration (GSA), as specified.	06/13/2019
2019-000336	Samantha L. Sederquest	Envirosite Corporation	Updated electronic list and details for sites in possession/use of radioactive materials regulated by NRC.	06/13/2019
2019-000337	James C. Skroupa		Security Clearance Records, Security Clearance Programs, Government Programs, Records pertaining to named individual, Facility Clearance Records, SSBI, Suitability and Investigation Records including Facility Contractor Clearances.	06/14/2019

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On May 8, 2019, the Executive Director for Operations (EDO) issued a decision on the appeal of DPO 2017-009 concerning the very low safety significance (GREEN) characterization of an NRC Region IV inspection finding associated with a 2016 loss of decay heat removal event at the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station (documented in Special Inspection Report 05000416/2016008). The DPO specifically asserted that the staff should have performed a qualitative risk assessment of the inspection finding given substantial evidence of programmatic failures at Grand Gulf, particularly with respect to human performance in the operations department. The EDO's decision was based, in part, on a detailed independent assessment of the matter led by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Regulation (NRR), and ultimately supported both the DPO ad-hoc review panel's independent technical conclusions and the Regional Administrator's decision. In the decision memorandum, the EDO noted that NRR's ongoing Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) "Enhancement Project" would be examining the identification and treatment of licensee programmatic weaknesses as part of an effectiveness review of the ROP's cross-cutting issues program. The DPO ad-hoc review panel concluded that the inspection finding was best characterized as Green, that adequate risk tools existed to complete the significance determination, that proper risk metrics were used, and that the Qualitative Health Objectives were addressed. The EDO also acknowledged that the initial decision regarding the DPO submittal was not timely, and that the Office of Enforcement would be tasked to improve participant accountability related to timeliness and communication throughout the various stages within the DPO program. The public record for this DPO case file is available in ADAMS at [ML19043A950](#).

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Meeting with Global Nuclear Fuels to Discuss Near-Term Accident Tolerant Fuel Concept

On June 5, 2019, the staff met with Global Nuclear Fuels (GNF) to discuss their near-term accident tolerant fuel (ATF) concept ARMOR coated cladding and their high-level plans for burnup and enrichment extension. This productive engagement, consistent with the ATF project plan, was part of quarterly workshops held between GNF and the staff to engage on technical and regulatory issues earlier, and often, to enable timely licensing reviews. The meeting focused on current and planned lead test assembly (LTA) programs, an update on testing activities, production process and readiness, initial analysis of the impacts of the coated cladding phenomena identification and ranking table (PIRT) outcomes on ARMOR, strategy for LOCA modeling, and an assessment and initial timeline for burnup and enrichment extension.

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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Nuclear Power Plant License Fees Upon Commencing Commercial Operation: Petition for Rulemaking; Notice of Docketing and Request for Comment; 10 CFR Part 171 (NRC-2019-0084; PRM-171-1)

On June 10, 2019, the NRC published in the *Federal Register* (84 FR 26774) a notice of docketing and request for comment for a PRM received from Michael D. Meier on behalf of Southern Nuclear Operating Company, dated February 28, 2019, requesting that the NRC revise its regulations related to the start of assessment of annual fees for certain nuclear power plants to align with commencement of their commercial operation. The petition was docketed by the NRC on March 21, 2019, and has been assigned Docket No. PRM-171-1. The NRC is examining the issues raised in PRM-171-1 to determine whether they should be considered in rulemaking. The NRC is requesting public comment on this petition. Comments are requested by July 10, 2019.

Access to the Decommissioning Trust Fund for the Disposal of Large Components: Petition for Rulemaking; Notice of Docketing and Request for Comment; Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) (NRC-2019-0083; PRM-50-119)

On June 12, 2019, the NRC published in the *Federal Register* (84 FR 27209) a notice of docketing and request for comment for a petition for rulemaking (PRM) received from Gerard P. Van Noordennen, dated February 22, 2019, on behalf of EnergySolutions, LLC. The petitioner requests that the NRC revise its regulations to allow access to the decommissioning trust fund for the removal of major radioactive components before the permanent cessation of operations. The petition was docketed by the NRC on March 20, 2019, and has been assigned Docket No. PRM-50-119. The NRC is examining the issues raised in PRM-50-119 to determine whether they should be considered in rulemaking. The NRC is requesting public comment on this petition. Comments are requested by August 26, 2019.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SECY-19-0055	05/23/2019	Crediting Options for Operator Actions and Law Enforcement [without Enclosures 1 and 3]

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Greg Abbott, responds to actions taken by U.S. Department of Energy and NRC that could allow for disposal of more highly radioactive waste in Texas without approval from the State, dated June 5, 2019.
2. Letter to the Honorable John Barrasso, et al., submits the 29th monthly status report on the licensing activities and regulatory duties of the NRC (for the reporting period through April 2019), dated June 6, 2019.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences; Fiscal Year 2018 Dissemination of Information – NUREG; issuance [NRC-2019-0124]

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