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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

January 6, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: R. F. Fraley, Executive Director

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

FROM:

James L. Blaha, Assistant for Operations

Office of the Executive Director for Operations

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE ACRS AND THE ACNW

Enclosed is a listing of proposed agenda items for the ACRS for the months of February 1992 - April 1992. Also, enclosed is a listing of the proposed ACNW agenda items for February 1992 - July 1992. If any of these items are of no or limited interest to the committees, or should be relegated to subcommittees I would appreciate your views.

I understand the next ACRS meeting will be February 6 - 8, 1992 and the ACNW will meet on February 20 - 21, 1992.

We have enclosed an annotated copy of our Work Items Tracking System (WITS) for the upcoming three month period. In addition, we have provided a projection of office originated Commission papers that may also be of interest to the ACRS/ACNW. If there are particular items identified out of the field of projected Commission papers that we had not planned to bring to the ACRS/ACMV for formal review or briefing, but that are of Committee(s) interest, we would appreciate receiving timely feedback on such preferences.

> remest James L. Blaha

Assistant for Operations

Office of the Executive Director

for Operations

Enclosure: As stated

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FEBRUARY

Title/Issue	Purpose	Priority	Related Documents
Meeting with Senior NRC Management	Discuss Key PRA Issues and Resolution Plans	High (DEDR/ NRR/RES)	See December 30, 1991 memo to ACRS from NRC Executive Director.
Proposed Revision to Part 100, Appendix A. Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria (Murphy)	Request ACRS Review	High (RES)	Proposed Package was provided October 11, 1991.
Regulatory Guides Implementing Part 20 (D. Cool)	(See Footnote)*	High (RES)	(See Footnote)
Evaluation of Accident Sequence Precursors (F. Congel)	Request ACRS Review	High (NRR)	Proposed paper in response to a request by the NRC Chairman to be promised early January 1992.
Proposed Recommendations from Shutdown/Low Power Operation Program (M. Caruso)	Request ACRS Review	High (NRR)	Package to be provided early January 1992.
Passive Policy Issues (T. Kenyon)	Request ACRS Review	High (NRR)	Package to be provided January 1992.

^{*}Continuing agenda entry - ACRS/ACNW review process has proceeded as described in SECY-91-D23 and by the May 30, 1991 memo from D. Moeller, ACNW, to Commissioner Rogers. ACRS/ACNW comments have been received on proposed R.G.s Staff stands ready to continue with any ACRS/ACNW briefing and review needs on those R.G.s issued for public comment.

FEBRUARY - (continued)

Title/Issue	Purpose	Priority	Related Documents
Operating Reactor Events - Salem and Oconee (A. Chaffee)	Information Briefing	Low (NRR)	Salem AIT report to be provided early January 1992 if available.
Proposed Power Level Increases (R. Stransky)	Information Briefing	Low (NRR)	Evaluation of GE topical report sent to ACRS.

MARCH

7/414/74000	Purpose	Priority	Related Documents
GI-106, Piping and Use of	Request ACRS Review	High (RES)	Proposed Package to be provided by early February 1992.
Highly Combustible Gases in Vital Areas (Kneil)		High (NRR)	Package to be provided by early
Format and Content Guide for Design Certification (T. Boyce)	Request ACRS Review	nigh (nun)	February 1992.
Status of Preparations for Federal Field Exercise (FFE-3) (R. Hogan)	Information Briefing	Medium (AEOD)	Commission Paper (SECY 91-368) already provided.
Status of Standard Review Plan Update and Development Program (S. Bajwa)	Information Briefing	Low (NRR)	Implementing Procedures Document to be provided by early February 1992.
Results of Pilot Simulator Examination Program (R. Gallo)	Information Briefing	Low (NRR)	Commission paper to be provided by early February 1992.

APRIL

Title/Issue	Purpose	Priority	Related Documents
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation	Discuss Matters of General Interest	High (EDO)	None
G1-23, Reactor Coolant Pump Seals (Baer)	Request ACRS Review	High (RES)	Proposed package to be provided by early March 1992.
EPRI FSER (J. Wilson)	Request ACRS Review	High (NRR)	Paper to be provided by early March 1992.
Status of ITAAC (T. Boyce)	Information Briefing	Medium (NRR)	Paper to be provided by early March 1992.

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Title/Issue		Purpose	Priority	Related Documents
February				
Regulatory (Part 20 (D.	Guides Implementing Cool)	(See Footnote)*	High (RES)	(See Footnote)
March				
None				
April .				
None				
May				- to a localing Backage to be provided
Rulemaking: Area/Design Dose Limit	Controlled-Use Basis Accident (M. Lee)	Request ACNW Comments	High (NMSS)	Draft Rulemaking Package to be provide by April 22, 1992.
June			Medium (NMSS)	Draft Technical Position to be provided by May 24, 1992.
Technical I Design: TI D. Gupta)	Position on Repository mermal Loads (M. Lee/	Request ACNW Comments		
July				

None

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December 30, 1991

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CC: RFF

Mr. David A. Ward, Chairman Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Ward:

Your letter of December 14, 1991, to the Chairman reemphasized the Committee's concerns regarding the consistent use of probabilistic risk assessment.

As you know, the staff is organizing an inter-office working group to address this issue. Assistance from experts outside the NRC staff is planned. We intend that this group develop guidance to the staff on consistent and acceptable methods to be applied in PRAs, including the issues raised by ACRS. We also intend that this working group brief the ACRS as it progresses in its work.

As a prelude to the working group's interactions with the ACRS, I propose that staff management meet with the ACRS to discuss the key issues raised and our plans for the working group. I think that such a discussion will be very helpful to resolving these issues. I request that time be made available on the February 1992 agenda to permit this meeting.

Sincerely,

James M. Taylor Executive Director for Operations

cc: The Chairman
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Curtiss
Commissioner Remick
Commissioner de Planque
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

December 27, 1991

IN RESPONSE, PLEASE REFER TO: M911212

MEMORANDUM FOR:

David A. Ward, Chairman

Advisory Committee On Reachor Safeguards

FROM:

Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT:

STAFF REQUIREMENTS - PERIODIC MEETING WITH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS (ACRS) 10:00 A.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1991, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN

TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the ACRS on several of the key technical issues involved in the NRC review of advanced reactors for design certification. The ACRS also discussed the issue of the use of probabilistic risk assessment by the NRC staff.

The Commission encouraged the ACRS to conduct a timely review of some items currently before it, in particular, the guidelines for contents of design acceptance criteria (DAC) and an evaluation of the staff's response to the ACRS letter on consistent use of probabilistic risk assessment. In addition the Commission requested the ACRS to devote their considerable technical expertise to review of the scope and details of ITAAC and the role of the validation attributes.

cc: The Chairman

Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Curtiss
Commissioner Remick
Commissioner de Planque

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DAC = CJW/MME

PRA = HWL/MDH

ITTAC = CJW/MME

The Chairman did not attend this meeting. Also, this meeting was held prior to the start of Commissioner de Planque's term.