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SUBJECT: WORKSHOPS ON ESTABLISHMENT OF RADIOLOGICAL
CRITERIA FOR DECOMMISSIONING OF NRC-LICENSED
FACILITIES

The Commission has approved the final plan for conducting an enhanced participatory rulemaking on the radiological criteria for decommissioning NRC-licensed facilities. Part of the process contained in that plan is to hold a series of workshops during which invited participants, representing a variety of points of view, will inform the NRC staff of their perspectives on the relevant issues. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), because of its expertise and responsibilities, will not only participate in the workshops-- Alan Richardson and Barbara Hostage of EPA's Office of Radiation and Indoor Air will attend all of them--but has been consulted by the NRC staff on the development of the Rulemaking Issues Paper that will form the basis for discussion at the workshops, and will be consulted in the evaluation of the workshop comments.

Detailed arrangements for the workshops are currently being finalized, and packages inviting prospective participants have recently been mailed. Enclosed is a sample package for your information. Besides the letter of invitation, the package includes the Federal Register Notice announcing the workshops. The supplementary information provides an explanation of the purpose of the workshops and how they fit into the enhanced participatory rulemaking, discusses the range of groups sought as participants, covers the workshop locations, schedules, and format, and provides the Rulemaking Issues Paper.

The schedule for the workshops is as follows:

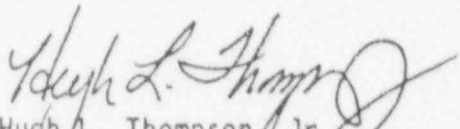
January 27 and 28, 1993	Chicago, Illinois
February 23 and 24, 1993	San Francisco, California
March 12 and 13, 1993	Boston, Massachusetts
March 23 and 24, 1993	Dallas, Texas
April 13 and 14, 1993	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
April 29 and 30, 1993	Atlanta, Georgia
May 6 and 7, 1993	Washington, D.C. (National Workshop)

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Francis (Chip) Cameron of the Office of General Counsel is the NRC lead official coordinating these workshops. Chip will be in contact with the Regional offices regarding support he will require in conducting these workshops. If you have any questions about this activity, you may contact him at 301-504-1642.


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As stated

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