

# LPDR UPDATE

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## FedWorld Update

In the Spring 1995 issue of *LPDR Update*, we announced NRC's participation in a computer-based electronic bulletin board known as "FedWorld." FedWorld gives users access to more than 100 Federal online information systems. It is operated by the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), Department of Commerce. Electronic information from NRC is contained in subsystems to FedWorld. As new NRC bulletin boards and subsystems are added to FedWorld, we will tell you about them in this column.

Daily NRC press releases and the text of speeches made by NRC Commissioners and other senior staff are included in the NRC subsystem entitled "Daily Press Releases, News, New Information and Updates." This subsystem, selected from the NRC Main Menu, may be downloaded or viewed online.

Public petitions are the primary means by which the public can raise concerns to the NRC regarding potential health and safety issues related to NRC-licensed activities. The public petition process, as described in § 2.206 of the Commission's regulations in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, permits any interested person to ask NRC to modify, suspend, or revoke a license it has issued or to take other appropriate action on licensee activities. The "Public Petition" subsystem contains the monthly status reports on public petitions, historical lists of public petitions by year, and the text of Director's Decisions, which are the final agency actions taken on the petitions. (These petitions should not be confused with petitions for rulemaking, a process described in § 2.802 of the Commission's regulations by which members of the public can ask the NRC to add, delete, or modify requirements in Commission regulations.)

Access to NRC subsystems on FedWorld is available through four methods:

1. Direct-dial access: 1-800-303-9672 (toll-free)
2. Telnet access via Internet: [fedworld.gov](http://fedworld.gov) (192.239.92.3)
3. FTP site access via Internet: [ftp.fedworld.gov](http://ftp.fedworld.gov) (192.239.92.3)
4. World Wide Web (Home Page): [www.fedworld.gov](http://www.fedworld.gov)  
(This is the Uniform Resource Location.)

Once you have accessed the NRC Main Menu on FedWorld, you can select the Press Releases subsystem. To access other subsystems or databases, select the category "Subsystems/Databases."

Set your communications software to 8 bits, no parity, one stop bit, full duplex, American National Standards Institute (ANSI) terminal emulation and baud rate up to 28,800 bits per second.

## **NRC Enforcement Policy Revised**

The NRC has published its revised *General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Action* (Enforcement Policy). This document contains the revised Enforcement Policy as it was published in the Federal Register on June 30, 1995 (60 FR 34381). This document also contains the notice announcing the removal of the Enforcement Policy from the *Code of Federal Regulations* (60 FR 34380 June 30, 1995). The Enforcement Policy had been included in 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, but because this is a policy and not a regulation, the Commission removed it from the *Code of Federal Regulations*.

The Enforcement Policy is a general statement explaining NRC policies and procedures in initiating enforcement actions, and how the presiding officers and the Commission review these actions. This policy statement is applicable to enforcement in matters involving the radiological health and safety of the public, including employees' health and safety, the common defense and security, and the environment. This statement of general policy and procedure is published as NUREG-1600 to provide widespread dissemination of the Commission's Enforcement Policy. However, as this is a policy statement and not a regulation, the Commission may deviate from it as appropriate to a particular case.

Regulatory requirements have varying degrees of safety, safeguards, or environmental significance. Therefore, the relative importance of each violation, including both the technical significance and the regulatory significance, is evaluated as the first step in the enforcement process. In the revised statement, the staff discusses the levels of severity of violations, the enforcement sanctions available to NRC, and the conditions under which each may be used.

LPDR libraries that serve power reactors and high level waste facilities have this report on NU-DOCS microfiche 84831, frames 142 through 180. LPDR libraries that do not receive NU-DOCS microfiche may request a copy of this report from the NRC LPDR staff at 1-800-638-8081.

## **Toll-Free Numbers**

The NRC has established a toll-free number (1-800-368-5642) to be used by the public for gen-

eral inquiries. An operator at the NRC main switchboard will answer the call and forward it to the appropriate office or individual.

The NRC Public Document Room (PDR) in Washington, D.C., has a toll-free number (1-800-397-4209) that can be used by the public to place requests for document duplication or to obtain information regarding publicly available documents in the PDR. Patrons may find it less costly to order copies of documents from the PDR rather than to make copies on the microfiche reader printers at the LPDR libraries. The PDR charges nine cents per page for copies, plus mailing costs.

## **Citizen's Guide**

The *Citizen's Guide to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Information* (NUREG/BR-0010) was revised in June. Revision 2 describes the types of NRC information available and ways of obtaining that information. It contains selective Agency addresses and telephone listings.

A copy of the *Citizen's Guide* has been sent to each LPDR library to be shelved with the reference materials in the LPDR collection. This publication, along with the *NRC Information Digest 1995 Edition* (NUREG-1350, Volume 7) which was sent to the LPDR libraries earlier this year, are good sources of general information about the NRC. Additional copies of the *Citizen's Guide* and the *Information Digest* are available upon request from the LPDR staff at 1-800-638-8081.

## **Staff Meetings Open to the Public**

A list of those NRC staff meetings that are open to public observation is sent to each LPDR library weekly. Each list supersedes the previous week's list. Only the most current list should be kept in the binder. More current updates are available by calling a toll-free telephone recording of scheduled meetings at 1-800-952-9674. A toll-free electronic bulletin board for staff meetings open to the public can be reached directly at 1-800-952-9676 or through the NRC at FedWorld gateway at 1-800-303-9672.

Directions for accessing the bulletin board are found at the end of the FedWorld Update article in this issue.

## Pictures from Recent LPDR Visits



Mary Mallaney, Assistant Reference Librarian, York County Library, Rock Hill, South Carolina, LPDR for the Catawba Nuclear Station



Susan Todd, Head Librarian, Athens Public Library, Athens, Alabama, LPDR for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Station



Marge Brown, Fairfield County Library, Winnsboro, South Carolina, LPDR for the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station



Susie Schachte, Library Clerk (left), and Peggy McCutcheon, Director, Scottsboro Public Library, Scottsboro, Alabama, LPDR for the Bellefonte Nuclear Plant

## Pictures from Recent LPDR Visits (continued)



Emily Vescogni, Documents Clerk, Jacobs Memorial Library, Illinois Valley Community College, Oglesby, Illinois, LPDR for the LaSalle County Station



Renee Specht, Clerk, Wilmington Public Library, Wilmington, Illinois, LPDR for the Braidwood Station

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