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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending APRIL 17, 2020

ARRIVALS
NONE
RETIREMENTS
NONE
DEPARTURES
NONE

**Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending APRIL 17, 2020**

**Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals
Received During the Period of April 13 – April 17**

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description as submitted by requester	Received Date
2020-000212	Connie Marini	Environmental Data Resources	The most recent listing of companies that have been issued an NRC license and are included in the MLTS Database (active and retired licenses), for the entire United States.	04/13/2020
2020-000213	Michael Ayele	Association for the Advancement of Civil Liberties	Seeks answers to questions regarding named NRC personnel.	04/13/2020
2020-000214	Margaret Kotzalas		Documents, notes, and email between January 1, 2019, and December 31, 2019, related to the OCHCO investigation and disciplinary action against named individual, as described.	04/13/2020
2020-000215	Paul Blanch		Copy of or reference to all communication between the USNRC and Sandia National Labs related to gas transmission lines for the time period from February 15, 2020, through April 15, 2020.	04/16/2020
2020-000216	Mark Walker	The New York Times	All email correspondence (including email messages, complete email chains, email attachments, calendar invitations, and calendar invitation attachments) from Jan. 1, 2020, through the date of the search for responsive records, for Chairman Kristine L. Svinicki, Commissioner Jeff Baran, Commissioner Annie Caputo, Commissioner David A. Wright containing any one of the 29 key words provided.	04/17/2020

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Staff Hosted Public Meeting on Lessons Learned from the Subsequent License Renewal Application Reviews and EMBARK Venture Studio “Risk Informing Subsequent License Renewal” Project

On April 7, 2020, the Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) staff hosted, in two sessions, its 4th public meeting on lessons learned from the subsequent license renewal (SLR) application reviews. First, as part of its “Risk Informing Subsequent License Renewal” project, staff presented and sought stakeholder feedback on initial concepts concerning the use of risk information, technical review methods, and project management practices, to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the staff’s SLR application reviews. Second, the staff and industry discussed updating and clarifying guidance on several technical issues addressed during the three SLR application reviews. The discussions focused on development activities and schedules for issuing draft Interim Staff Guidance that will include proposed revisions to the SLR Generic Aging Lessons Learned Report and SLR Standard Review Plan. Nuclear Energy Institute representatives, licensees, and other members of the public participated in both sessions.

Staff Issued an Addendum to the March 28 Part 26 Exemption Request Letter

On April 8, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff issued an addendum (Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20098B333) to the March 28, 2020, letter (ADAMS Accession No. ML20087P237) that outlines the process for COVID-19 related Part 26 exemptions for power reactors. The addendum corrects three minor citations, includes a Paperwork Reduction Act statement that was inadvertently omitted from original letter, and provides a link to a web page that contains Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 26 Exemption Frequently Asked Questions (<https://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/ops-experience/fitness-for-duty-programs/faqs/covid-19-work-hour-control-exemption.html>).

Staff Approved Licensing Requests for Regulatory Relief Related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

The NRC staff has reviewed and approved several licensing requests seeking temporary flexibilities to maintain the safe and secure operation of the U.S. nuclear fleet during the pandemic. A summary of approved licensing actions provided during this reporting period are summarized below. A complete list of licensing actions approved by the NRC in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency is available on the NRC public website at <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/covid-19/reactors/licensing-actions.html>.

Beaver Valley (Energy Harbor Nuclear Corp.)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Relief Request*	One-Time Extension of the Operational Readiness Testing for 24 Snubbers	04/03/2020 ML20092K031 04/03/2020 ML20093G651	04/04/2020 ML20095J099

Relief Request*	Extend the Diagnostic Testing Interval for 15 Motor-Operated Valves in the Inservice Testing Program	04/01/2020 ML20092K723	04/04/2020 ML20095J219
Relief Request*	Extend the Testing Interval for Seven Relief Valves	04/01/2020 ML20092L517	04/07/2020 ML20098F301
Relief Request*	Extend the Leaker Testing Interval for 35 Isolation Valves in the Inservice Testing Program	04/06/2020 ML20097C373	04/08/2020 ML20099K215
Relief Request*	Defer the Inservice Inspection of Dissimilar Metal Safe End-to-Hot Leg Piping Welds	04/02/2020 ML20093E657	04/09/2020 ML20100N322
Relief Request*	Defer the Inservice Inspection of Bottom Mounted Instrumentation Penetrations	04/03/2020 ML20094G936	

Ginna Nuclear Power Plant (Exelon Generation Company, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption Request	Part 26 Exemption - Work Hours	04/06/2020 ML20097D488	04/07/2020 ML20095H256

Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station (Exelon Generation Company, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
License Amendment	Increase Allowed Main Steam Line Isolation Valve Leakage	04/01/2020 ML20092P079	04/09/2020 ML20094F833
Exemption	Part 26 Exemption - Work Hours	04/07/2020 ML20098G313	04/08/2020 ML20099A499

Limerick Generating Station (Exelon Generation Company, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
License Amendment	Increase Allowed Main Steam Line Isolation Valve Leakage	04/01/2020 ML20092P478	04/09/2020 ML20098C922
		04/01/2020 ML20098F749	

Seabrook Generating Station (NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Relief Request*	Defer Inservice Inspection of a Pressurizer Shell Weld, Reactor Vessel Internals Attachment Welds, and a Dissimilar Metal Piping Weld	04/05/2020 ML20097A021	04/08/2020 ML20101H391

Comanche Peak (Vistra Operations Company, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Relief Request*	Relief Request to Defer Check & Relief Valve Inservice Testing (IST) and Inservice inspection (ISI)	04/07/2020 ML20099D059	04/09/2020 (IST) ML20101P040
		04/10/2020 ML20101L082	04/10/2020 (ISI) ML20104A001

* For verbal authorizations, the staff provides the written text of the telecon summarizing the staff's review as an agency record and prepares a written safety evaluation with the details of the staff's review within 150 days in accordance with NRR Office Instruction LIC-102.

Staff Approved A One-time Exemption from Specific Requirements of 10 CFR 50.71(e)(3)(iii) to Shearon Harris Nuclear Power, Units 2 and 3

On April 6, 2020, the NRC staff approved the one-time exemption from specific requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Section 71(e)(3)(iii) for the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Units 2 and 3, Combined License Application. This approval follows the request from a Duke Energy Progress (DEP) letter dated December 2, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19337A620). A notice has been sent to the *Federal Register* (ADAMS Accession No. ML20050G066) for issuing the staff's exemption. As such, DEP will be exempt from the annual submittal requirements for updating the Final Safety Analysis Report for Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Units 2 and 3, until December 31, 2024.

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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Patient Release Criteria for Radioactive Iodine: Petition for Rulemaking; Notice of Docketing; Part 35 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (Docket No. PRM-35-21; NRC-2020-0037)

On April 13, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([85 FR 20430](#)) acknowledging receipt of a petition for rulemaking from Peter Crane, on behalf of the organization, Sensible Controls on Administrations of Radioactive Iodine, dated November 15, 2019. The petitioner requested that the NRC revise its regulations regarding the criteria for patient release after the administration of radioactive iodine. The petition was docketed by the NRC on January 24, 2020, and has been assigned Docket No. PRM-35-21. The NRC is examining the issues raised by the petition to determine whether they should be considered in rulemaking. The NRC is not seeking public comment on this petition at this time.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Information Papers		
1. SECY-20-0031	04/10/20	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending April 3, 2020
2. SECY-20-0033	04/14/20	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending April 10, 2020

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable John A. Barrasso, et al., responds to request that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission consider deferral of licensees' fees for 90 days, dated April 3, 2020.
2. Letter to the Honorable John A. Barrasso, et al., provides an update to the Commission's, April 3, 2020, response letter of March 27, 2020, regarding deferral of fee billing in response to the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic, dated April 10, 2020.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving Proposed No Significant Hazards Considerations and Containing Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information [NRC-2020-0093]