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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending OCTOBER 16, 2020

ARRIVALS
NONE
DEPARTURES
NONE
RETIREMENTS
NONE

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 October 12 – October 16

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description as submitted by requester	Received Date
2021-000012	Connie Marini	LightBox	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, as specified	10/14/2020

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
Items of Interest
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Staff Received Letter Regarding Fuel Removal from Duane Arnold Energy Center

On October 12, 2020, NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC (NEDA) issued a letter to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) certifying that fuel was permanently removed from the Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) reactor vessel and placed in the spent fuel pool (ADAMS Accession No. ML20286A317). NEDA further acknowledged that upon docketing of this letter, the DAEC Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 50 license no longer authorizes operation of the reactor or placing fuel back into the reactor vessel.

Staff Issued Acceptance Letter for the Subsequent License Renewal Application for North Anna

On October 13, 2020, the staff issued the acceptance letter to Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion), which requests an additional 20 years for the already renewed operating licensing of North Anna Power Station Units 1 and 2 (ADAMS Accession No. ML20258A284). The NRC approved the initial license renewal in March 2003, with Unit 1 currently licensed to operate through April 1, 2038, and Unit 2 through Aug. 21, 2040. The NRC staff is reviewing the application to determine if it has sufficient information to complete the agency's safety and environmental reviews. If the application is determined to be complete, the staff will docket it and publish a notice of opportunity to request an adjudicatory hearing before the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board.

Staff Hosted Public Meeting Regarding COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE)

On October 15, 2020, the staff held a public meeting with stakeholders, including representatives from the Nuclear Energy Institute, NextEra, and Entergy, to discuss and solicit feedback on potential future licensing issues to address the COVID-19 PHE going forward (ADAMS Accession No ML20269A175). The staff's presentations for the meeting can be found in ADAMS at ML20287A290 and ML20283A707.

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 is summarized below. A complete list of licensing actions approved by the NRC in response to the COVID-19 PHE is available on the NRC public website at <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/covid-19/reactors/licensing-actions.html>.

Licensing Request for Regulatory Relief Related to COVID-1

Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2 (NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption	Select Requirements of 10 CFR Part 26, "Fitness for Duty Programs," Section 26.205, "Work hours"	10/06/2020 ML20280A621 10/08/2020 ML20282A706	10/15/2020 ML20282A332

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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NMSS Staff Approved Change to Elekta Inc.'s Vendor Training

On October 15, 2020, the staff issued a letter to Elekta Inc. (ADAMS Accession No. ML20275A316), a medical device manufacturer and U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) licensee, in response to a request for NRC review of Elekta's proposed changes to its delivery of hands-on vendor training required by Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 35.51, 35.690, and 35.1000 licensing guidance. Elekta proposed changes to its vendor training given the inability to travel and host live courses during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Staff found Elekta's proposed options to be an acceptable alternative to meet the regulatory requirements.

NMSS Staff Held Final Public Meeting on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Texas Facility

On October 15, 2020, the NRC staff held its fourth and final public meeting via webinar and teleconference on the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Interim Storage Partners proposed consolidated interim storage facility (CISF) in Andrews County, Texas. Sign language and closed captioning were provided in response to a request for those services. The public meeting lasted 4.5 hours, and approximately 172 individuals participated with 46 people providing verbal comments. The majority of comments were in opposition to the CISF project and focused primarily on transportation concerns. Other comments related to environmental justice, radiological health and safety, endangered species, contamination of water resources, seismic/subsurface geology, climate change, cask integrity and lack of dry transfer facilities/capabilities, impacts to the oil/gas industry, and concerns the facility is a de facto repository. Several commenters noted that the comment period should be extended and in-person public meetings should be held after the COVID-19 public health emergency has ended. The 180-day public comment period ends on November 3.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
Items of Interest
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. COMSECY-20-0004	01/23/20	Redundant Reporting of Security Performance Indicators to the Commission
2. Staff Requirements Memorandum COMSECY-20-0004	10/15/20	Redundant Reporting of Security Performance Indicators to the Commission
3. Commission Voting Record COMSECY-20-0004	10/15/20	Redundant Reporting of Security Performance Indicators to the Commission
4. SECY-20-0088	10/01/20	Proposed Evaluation Policy Statement
Information Papers		
1. SECY-20-0094	10/13/20	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending 10/02/2020
Memoranda		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum M200917	10/14/20	Briefing on Transformation at the NRC - Milestones and Results
2. Staff Requirements Memorandum M201008B	10/16/20	Meeting with the Organization of Agreement States and the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors

Commission Correspondence

1. None.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Risk-Informed Categorization and Treatment of Structures, Systems, and Components for Nuclear Power Reactors” (NRC-2015-0028, NRC-2009-0196)