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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
Items of Interest
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ARRIVALS		
BRYEN, DUSTIN	PROJECT ENGINEER (RI-DP)	R-IV
DENNIS, MATTHEW	REACTOR SYS ENGINEER (DATA SCIENTIST)	RES
NAVARRO ALICEA, CARLOS	REACTOR SYSTEMS SCIENTIST	RES
STRITTMATTER, HENRY	PROJECT ENGINEER (RI-DP)	R-IV
SUGRUE, ROSEMARY	REACTOR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	NRR
RETIREMENTS		
NONE		
DEPARTURES		
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 January 11 – January 15

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description as submitted by requester	Received Date
2021-000080	Eliza Hilton		The final Office of the Inspector General (OIG) report from Case C19-022	01/11/2021
2021-000081	Keith Matheny	Detroit Free Press	Any reports and memos or interagency correspondence associated with David Charles Hahn of Michigan (related requests FOIA/PA-2017-0173 and FOIA/PA-2017-0152)	01/12/2021

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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NRC Hosted Public Meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute on NEI 20-07

On January 12, 2021, NRC staff held a public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and members of the public to discuss NEI 20-07, Draft B, "Guidance for Addressing Software Common Cause Failure in High Safety-Significant Safety-Related Digital I&C Systems" (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20245E561). During this meeting, NEI provided an overview of the guidance in NEI 20-07 (ADAMS Accession No. ML21006A006). The staff provided high-level comments on the presentation, and a member of the public provided a presentation regarding his concerns with NEI 20-07 (ADAMS Accession No. ML21008A094). The staff plans to review and provide comments on NEI 20-07 in February 2021 and hold the next public meeting to discuss these comments by March 2021.

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>.

Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2 (Southern Nuclear Company)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption	Select Requirements of 10 CFR Part 26, "Fitness for Duty Programs," Section 26.205, "Work hours"	01/06/2021 ML21006A227	01/11/2021 ML21005A305

Duane Arnold Energy Center (NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption	Select Requirements of 10 CFR Part 73, Appendix B, "General Criteria for Security Personnel"	12/29/2020 ML20364A039	01/13/2021 ML21004A215

Fermi, Unit No. 2 (DTE Electric Company)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption	Select Requirements of 10 CFR Part 26, "Fitness for Duty Programs," Section 26.205, "Work hours"	01/04/2021 ML21004A195	01/13/2021 ML21005A421

Callaway Plant, Unit No. 1 (Union Electric Company, doing business as Ameren Missouri)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption	Select Requirements of 10 CFR Part 26, "Fitness for Duty Programs," Section 26.205, "Work hours"	12/31/2020 ML20366A062 01/07/2021 ML21007A374	01/14/2021 ML21012A009

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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Non-Substantive Amendments to Adjudicatory Proceeding Requirements: Direct Final Rule; Confirmation of Effective Date; 10 CFR Part 2 [NRC-2020-0033; RIN-3150-AK46]

On January 15, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 4130](#)) confirming the effective date of January 19, 2021, for the direct final rule that was published in the *Federal Register* on November 5, 2020 ([85 FR 70435](#)). This direct final rule revised and clarified the agency's rules of practice and procedure to reflect current Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel practice, Commission case law, and a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States and to enhance consistency within the NRC's regulations. The effective date of January 19, 2021, for the direct final rule published November 5, 2020, is confirmed.

Adjustment of Civil Penalties for Inflation for Fiscal Year 2021: Final Rule; 10 CFR Parts 2 and 13 [NRC-2018-0293; 3150-AK25]

On January 15, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 3745](#)) amending its regulations to adjust the maximum Civil Monetary Penalties it can assess under statutes enforced by the agency. These changes are mandated by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as amended by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015. The NRC is amending its regulations to adjust the maximum civil monetary penalty for a violation of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, or any regulation or order issued under the Atomic Energy Act from \$303,471 to \$307,058 per violation, per day. Additionally, the NRC is amending provisions concerning program fraud civil penalties by adjusting the maximum civil monetary penalty under the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act from \$11,665 to \$11,803 for each false claim or statement. This final rule is effective on January 15, 2021.

List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Holtec International HI-STORM UMAX Canister Storage System, Certificate of Compliance No. 1040, Amendment No. 4; Direct Final Rule; Confirmation of Effective Date; 10 CFR Part 72 [NRC-2020-0179; RIN 3150-AK51]

On January 14, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 2527](#)) confirming the effective date of January 25, 2021, for the direct final rule that was published in the *Federal Register* on November 9, 2020 ([85 FR 71223](#)). This direct final rule amended the Holtec International HI-STORM UMAX Canister Storage System listing in the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" to include Amendment No. 4 to Certificate of Compliance No. 1040. Amendment No. 4 revises the certificate of compliance to update the technical specifications for radiation protection regarding the dose rate limit for the vertical ventilated module lid, update the technical specifications for the vent blockage limiting condition for operation, and add a Type 1 version of multi-purpose canister MPC-37. The effective date of January 25, 2021, for the direct final rule published November 9, 2020, is confirmed.

Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR)
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Staff Participated in Bilateral Emergency Management Meeting with Japan

On January 14, 2021, NRC management and senior level staff participated in the Emergency Management Working Group, a cooperative between the US and Japanese governments to share policies and processes for emergency preparedness (EP) and response. NRC gave a presentation on the conduct of emergency EP exercises during the public health emergency (PHE) and an engaging discussion followed on the topic of training emergency responders during the PHE.

Staff Held Closed Stakeholder Meeting on 2021 Force-on-Force Inspections

On January 14, 2021, NRC staff held a closed meeting with cleared stakeholders to discuss NRC-conducted Force-on-Force inspections in calendar year 2021. Staff presented overviews of COVID-19 related revisions to associated inspection procedures. Attendees at the meeting included representatives from power reactor licensees, the Nuclear Energy Institute, and the Union of Concerned Scientists.

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**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
Items of Interest
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. Chairman Svinicki's Vote SECY-20-0112	01/08/21	Direct Final Rule: Advanced Boiling Water Reactor Design Certification Renewal (RIN 3150 AK04; NRC 2017 0090)
Information Papers		
1. SECY-21-0002	01/11/21	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending 12/25/2020
2. SECY-21-0003	01/11/21	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending 01/01/2021
3. SECY-21-0005	01/14/21	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending 01/08/2021
Memoranda		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum ML21015A195	01/15/21	Affirmation Session - SECY-20-0069/69A: Entergy (Indian Point Units 1, 2, & 3 and ISFSI) Petitions to Intervene; SECY- 20-0077: FirstEnergy & TMI-2 Solutions (TMI Unit 2) License Transfer; SECY-20-0114: Joseph Shea - LBP-20-11

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Marco Rubio, et al., reports on the status of the NRCs provision of compliance guides to small entities for rules that affect them as required by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, dated January 6, 2021.
2. Letter to Representative David Price, et al., responds to request for the NRC to expeditiously grant the petition for rulemaking Docket No. PRM-33-22 filed by Lucerno Dynamics, LLC, dated January 6, 2021.
3. Letter to the Honorable Ned Lamont, responds to intent to pursue an agreement between NRC and the State of Connecticut, dated January 6, 2021.

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-2021-0020]

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