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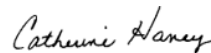
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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending APRIL 2, 2021

ARRIVALS		
NONE		
RETIREMENTS		
ALLEY, DAVID W.	BRANCH CHIEF	NMSS
ANDERSON, JOSEPH D	BRANCH CHIEF	NSIR
LEWTER, SUSAN J	TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	ADM
NULL, KEVIN G	HEALTH PHYSICIST (INSPECTOR)	R-III
PHILLIPS, CHARLES J	PROJECT ENGINEER	R-III
SHEHEE, JAMES C	BRANCH CHIEF	R-II
SILK, DAVID M	SENIOR OPERATIONS ENGINEER	R-I
DEPARTURES		
FISHMAN, STEPHANIE BROO	LAW CLERK	ASLBP
MURRAY, ROBERT J	PROJECT ENGINEER	R-III
SIMMONS, DELANEY POGUE	RELIABILITY AND RISK ANALYST	NRR

**Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending APRIL 2, 2021**

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals
Received During the Period of March 29 – April 2

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description as submitted by requester	Received Date
2021-000134	Boyd H. Rose	General Dynamics Land Systems (Retired)	The current status as of March 28, 2021, of the USNRC Region III licensing actions with respect to General Dynamics Land Systems' (GDLS) decommissioning of GDLS' Anniston Army Depot facilities	03/29/2021
2021-000135	Logan Ping		Copies of specific public records relating to the Cimarron Environmental Response Trust Agreement to which the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is a Beneficiary, as described	03/29/2021
2021-000136	Lloyd R. Briner		Named individual Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) RA-03 Radiation Report, done by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) for operation Dominic 1	03/31/2021
2021-000137	Michael Ravnitzky		Copy of the following SECY papers: SECY-78-102, SECY-78-104, SECY-78-111, SECY-78-115, SECY-78-127, SECY-78-136, SECY-78-151, SECY-78-165, SECY-78-165A, SECY-78-175, SECY-78-176	04/02/2021
2021-000138	Laurie Soles		Any and all documents relative to the investigation, including all findings and recommendations, of a fire incident that occurred June 2020 a BWX Technologies	04/02/2021

**Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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NRC Hosted Meeting on Westinghouse’s EnCore® Accident Tolerant Fuel

On March 30, 2021, the NRC staff held a partially closed meeting with Westinghouse Electric Company to discuss their status for their near-term EnCore® accident tolerant fuel chromium-coated cladding (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML21083A239). The topics discussed included an overview of their program, performance testing, ongoing work, and next steps. The NRC staff plans to prepare a non-proprietary meeting summary.

Staff Approved Licensing Request 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 the approved licensing action provided during this reporting period is 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>.

Braidwood Power Station, Units 1 and 2 (Exelon Generation Company, LLC)

Type	Subject	Incoming Request	Decision
Exemption	Select Requirements of 10 CFR Part 26, “Fitness for Duty Programs,” Section 26.205, “Work hours”	02/25/2021 ML21056A514	03/30/2021 ML21057A189

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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NRC Participated in a Meeting of the Federal National Environmental Policy Act Contacts

On March 25, 2021, NRC environmental review staff participated in a Federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Contacts call held by the Council on Environment Quality (CEQ). During the call, CEQ staff noted they are currently conducting a review of NEPA-implementing regulations that were issued in July 2020 (85 FR 43304). The NRC staff continues to conduct its NEPA environmental reviews in accordance with its NEPA-implementing regulations at 10 CFR Part 51. The NRC environmental staff continues to maintain awareness of CEQ activities in this area through participation in interagency working groups and through the Federal Permit Improvement Steering Committee. The NRC staff will keep the Commission informed of the results of CEQ's review of the 2020 NEPA-implementing regulations.

NRC Conducted Briefing on Consolidated Interim Storage Facility Application

On March 29, 2021, the NRC staff briefed members of the Pilgrim Massachusetts Nuclear Decommissioning Citizens Advisory Panel (NDCAP), on the process and status of NRC's licensing review of the Holtec International and Interim Storage Partners Consolidated Interim Storage Facility applications. During the briefing, the NRC staff provided an overview of the NRC's mission, its roles and responsibilities for spent fuel storage and transportation and the status of the review. The NRC staff answered several questions from the NDCAP members including questions about the potential for expansion of the facilities, questions on the aging management program, and the status of the Yucca Mountain application.

List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Holtec International HI-STORM 100 Cask System; Certificate of Compliance No. 1014; Amendment No. 15; Direct Final Rule; 10 CFR Part 72 (NRC-2020-0257; RIN 3150-AK53)

On March 29, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 16291](#)) amending its spent fuel storage regulations by revising the Holtec international HI-STORM 100 Cask System listing within the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" to include Amendment No. 15 to Certificate of Compliance No. 1014. Amendment No. 15 amends the certificate of compliance to add a new overpack and a new transfer cask, revise allowed content for storage, and make other changes to the storage system. The companion proposed rule was also published in the *Federal Register* on March 29, 2021 ([86 FR 16310](#)). This direct final rule is effective June 14, 2021.

NRC Met with the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management

On March 30, 2021, the NRC staff met with the Department of Energy's (DOE's) Office of Environmental Management to discuss waste management activities of mutual interest to both agencies. These activities included the status of various projects related to waste incidental to reprocessing, decommissioning, greater-than-class C waste disposal and status of DOE's interpretation of the high-level waste definition. These meetings are held routinely to ensure a common understanding of activities of mutual interest between the two agencies.

Measurement Standards Used at U.S. Nuclear Power Plants: Petition for Rulemaking; Denial; 10 CFR Part 50 (PRM-50-118; NRC-2019-0071)

On March 31, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 16678](#)) denying a petition for rulemaking submitted by Michael Taylor (the petitioner). The petition was docketed by the NRC on March 4, 2019, and was assigned Docket No. PRM-50-118. The petitioner requested that the NRC amend its regulations regarding the measurement standards used at U.S. nuclear power plants. The NRC is denying the petition because the NRC's current regulations and oversight activities provide reasonable assurance of adequate protection of public health and safety. The docket for PRM-50-118 was closed on March 31, 2021.

Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions; Semiannual Regulatory Agenda; 10 CFR Chapter I (NRC-2020-0197)

On March 31, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 17036](#)) providing the NRC's semiannual regulatory agenda (the Agenda) in accordance with Public Law 96-354, "The Regulatory Flexibility Act," and Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review." The Agenda is a compilation of all rulemaking activities on which we have recently completed action or have proposed or are considering action. Comments on the Agenda are requested by April 30, 2021.

Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response
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NRC Presented on Emergency Preparedness at Center for Homeland Defense and Security

On March 30, 2021, an NRC staff member gave a presentation at a session of the Center for Homeland Defense and Security (CHDS) Radiological Emergency Preparedness Executive Education Program. The presentation focused on the graded approach to emergency preparedness and its application to the Small Modular Reactor / Other New Technologies proposed rule. In attendance at the CHDS session were representatives from State and local emergency response organizations, industry, NEI, FEMA and other federal agencies, and public organizations that support emergency response. The participants gained a better understanding of the correlation between risk and a graded approach to emergency preparedness and a scalable emergency planning zone.

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**Office of Administration (ADM)
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Contract Awarded for Information Management Support Services

On March 30, 2021 contract 31510021C0004 was awarded to SABRE88, LLC, located in Newark, NJ to support the NRC Region III Information Management Support Services. The period of performance is 04/01/2021 through 03/31/2022. The total potential value of the contract can be up to \$1,089,592.74.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SECY-21-0029	03/15/21	Rulemaking Plan on Relaxation of Inservice Testing and Inservice Inspection Program Update Frequencies Required in 10 CFR 50.55a
Information Papers		
1. SECY-21-0035	03/30/21	Weekly Information Report Week Ending 03/19/2021
Memoranda		
1. None		

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Charles E. Schumer, et al., responds to letter regarding concerns related to the Commission's recent decision to deny hearing requests in the Indian Point Energy Center license transfer proceeding, dated March 25, 2021.
2. Letter to the Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr., et al., submits the February 2021 monthly status report on the NRC activities and use of unobligated carryover funds appropriated from the Nuclear Waste Fund, dated March 25, 2021.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Dominion Energy Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. Millstone Power Station, Unit 3, License amendment application; opportunity to comment, request a hearing, and petition for leave to intervene; order [Docket No. 50-423; NRC-2021-0085]
2. 685th ACRS Full Committee Meeting – Notice of Meeting May 5-7, 2021