### **INFORMATION REPORT**

MAY 17, 2021 SECY-21-0052 The Commissioners FOR: FROM: Catherine Haney Assistant for Operations Office of the Executive Director for Operations WEEKLY INFORMATION REPORT - WEEK ENDING **SUBJECT**: MAY 7, 2021

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ARRIVALS		
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CASTO, MARY	STUDENT INTERN	NSIR
CRAIG, CARON	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	NSIR
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HALLORAN, ANDREW	HEALTH PHYSICIST	R-II
HERRERA, THI	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	NRR
KAWASMI, MOHANNED	HEALTH PHYSICIST	R-IV
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RETIREMENTS		
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DEPARTURES		
NONE		

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#### Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Items of Interest Week Ending MAY 7, 2021

## <u>Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received</u> <u>During the Period of April 30 – May 7</u>

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description as submitted by requester	Received Date
2021-000152	Paul Blanch		A copy of the "Controlled Document 90216" referenced in ML20343A228, "Defueled Safety Analysis Report (DSAR)	04/30/21
2021-000153	Julissa Martinez		Documentations pertaining to regulations on nuclear bombs tested in testing sites, as the radiation may affect the location around it such as human habitat.	05/03/21
2021-000154	Lauren Hogrewe	Sierra Club	All communications between named individual and other staff at [Department of Energy] DOE or any outside individual, during his current employment with DOE and during his prior employment period from approximately May 2017 through February 2018, and between named individual and officials and staff from DOE during any period, beginning January 2017, in which individual was not officially employed at DOE; and all calendars of individual, and sign-in sheets or other records memorializing attendance at any meetings, during his prior employment with DOE, and from the date of his current official employment to and including the date of fulfillment of this request	05/04/21
2021-000155			*	
2021-000156	Mark H. Graff		A copy of named individual's proof of course completion, transcripts, and Certifications for any acquisition-related courses or COR [Contracting Officer's Representatives] Certification obtained while employed at NRC, date range is July 1, 2013 to September 1, 2015	05/05/21
2021-000157	Anjelica N. Harden- Ivanoski	Dugan, McKissick & Longmore	All transcripts and/or audio recordings of interviews that are part of NRC OI case 1-2020-012	05/05/21
2021-000158	Susan Montesi		Questions submitted regarding Privacy Act and FOIA requests being made public	05/06/21

<sup>\*2021-000155</sup> was permanently deleted as a duplicate entry of 2021-000154.

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#### Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Items of Interest Week Ending MAY 7, 2021

## NRC Issued Subsequent Renewed Operating Licenses for Surry Power Station, Units 1 and 2

On May 4, 2021, the NRC staff issued the subsequent renewed operating licenses for Surry Power Station, Units 1 and 2 (Surry), authorizing operation for an additional 20 years beyond the current license expiration dates. The subsequent renewed licenses expire on May 25, 2052, and January 29, 2053, for Surry Units 1 and 2, respectively. Surry is the third plant to receive subsequent renewed licenses. In total, six units now have subsequent renewed licenses.

#### NRC Conducted the Annual Agency Action Review Meeting (AARM)

On May 5, 2021, the NRC conducted the annual AARM. Senior agency management from multiple offices participated in the meeting. As required by Management Directive (MD) 8.14, "Agency Action Review Meeting," participants discussed nuclear materials and waste safety program trends, and self-assessment results for the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) and the construction ROP. A Commission briefing on the results of the 2021 AARM is scheduled for June 10, 2021.

## NRC Briefed Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) on Fusion Energy System Regulatory Options

On May 6, 2021, the NRC staff briefed the ACRS Full Committee on the NRC staff's efforts to develop options for regulating fusion energy systems as discussed in the draft white paper entitled "Preliminary Options for a Regulatory Framework for Fusion Energy Systems" (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML21118A081). The ACRS members provided general feedback on the three options presented by the NRC staff with emphasis on the option of developing a new separate framework for regulating fusion. The NRC staff plans to solicit feedback through engagement with stakeholders and the ACRS as it continues to develop an options paper for Commission consideration.

#### NRC Held Public Webinar on Development of 10 CFR 53

On May 6, 2021, the NRC staff held a public webinar to provide an opportunity for an information exchange with external stakeholders on the NRC's development of the 10 CFR 53 preliminary proposed rule language for advanced nuclear reactors (ADAMS Accession No. ML21116A034). The NRC staff and stakeholders discussed new preliminary proposed rule language for Subpart A, "General Provisions," including section 53.020, "Definitions," and portions of Subpart F, "Requirements for Operation." The NRC staff and stakeholders also discussed previously released preliminary proposed rule language for Subparts B, "Technology-Inclusive Safety Requirements," C, "Design and Analysis Requirements," D, "Siting Requirements," and E, "Construction and Manufacturing." Approximately 100 stakeholders attended the meeting, including representatives from Nuclear Energy Institute, United States Nuclear Industry Council, Union of Concerned Scientists, and advanced reactor developers. Stakeholders provided varying perspectives for the NRC staff to consider. A related public meeting on security requirements for advanced nuclear reactors is planned for June 10, 2021.

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#### NRC Hosted Public Meeting with Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF)

On May 6, 2021, the NRC staff and the industry-led TSTF conducted a regularly scheduled quarterly meeting (ADAMS Accession No. ML21118A814). NRC discussed improvements to the NRC staff's model Safety Evaluation of TSTF-505, "Risk-Informed Completion Times," and staff's expedited approval of TSTF-577, "Revised Frequencies for SG Tube Inspections," to support fall outages. The TSTF discussed industry guidance for improvements to licensee Technical Requirements Manuals which will be provided to the NRC to improve oversight. Additionally, industry plans to coordinate submittals for adoption of two approved travelers. This will improve the quality of submittals and improve NRC workload management. The next TSTF quarterly meeting will take place in August 2021.

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## Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Items of Interest Week Ending MAY 7, 2021

#### NRC Staff Held a Meeting on the Holtec International License Application

On May 4, 2021, the NRC staff held a virtual meeting with staff of the Governor of New Mexico, and the Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department, to discuss the Holtec International license application for a consolidated interim storage facility in New Mexico. This meeting was requested as a follow-up to a March 12 briefing during which the NRC staff provided information on the overall licensing process and status of the ongoing review of the application. During the call on May 4, New Mexico officials sought additional information on the avenues available to the state to intervene in the adjudicatory proceeding. The NRC staff described the hearing process and the regulations applicable to governmental entities seeking to participate in it.

### <u>Criteria to Return Retired Nuclear Power Reactors to Operations: Petition for Rulemaking; Denial; 10 CFR Parts 50 and 52; [Docket Nos. PRM-50-117; NRC-2019-0063]</u>

On May 6, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 24362) denying a petition for rulemaking (PRM), submitted by George Berka (petitioner). The notice of docketing was published in the *Federal Register* on July 26, 2019 (84 FR 36036). The petition was assigned Docket No. PRM-50-117. The petitioner requested that the NRC allow the owner or operator of a nuclear power reactor an opportunity to return a retired facility to full operational status, even if the operating license for the facility had been surrendered previously. The NRC is denying the petition because the issue does not involve a significant safety or security concern, and the existing regulatory framework may be used to address the issue raised by the petitioner. The docket for the petition for rulemaking PRM-50-117 is closed on May 6, 2021.

#### <u>Categorical Exclusions From Environmental Review: Advance Notice of Proposed</u> Rulemaking; Request for Comment; 10 CFR Part 51 [NRC-2018-0300; RIN 3150-AK54]

On May 7, 2021, the NRC published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 24514) to obtain input from stakeholders on its plan to amend NRC regulations on categorical exclusions for licensing, regulatory, and administrative actions that individually or cumulatively do not have a significant effect on the human environment. The NRC will consider public comments received on its potential changes and on questions related to categorical exclusions to inform a rulemaking that is planned for publication in fiscal year 2022. The NRC will hold a public meeting during the comment period to facilitate public participation. Comments are requested by July 21, 2021.

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# Office of the Secretary (SECY) Items of Interest Week Ending MAY 7, 2021

Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject	
Decision Documents			
Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-21-0004	05/06/21	Proposed Rule: NuScale Small Modular Reactor Design Certification (RIN 3150-AJ98; NRC-2017-0029)	
Commission Voting Record     SECY-21-0004	05/06/21	Proposed Rule: NuScale Small Modular Reactor Design Certification (RIN 3150-AJ98; NRC-2017-0029)	
Information Papers			
1. None			
Memoranda			
1. None			

#### Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Edward Markey, et al., submits the NRC's Semiannual Status Report on the Licensing Activities and Regulatory Duties from October 1, 2020, through March 31, 2021, dated April 30, 2021

#### Federal Register Notices Issued

- 1. Criteria to Return Retired Nuclear Power Reactors to Operations (PRM-50-117; NRC-2019-0063)
- 2. 686<sup>th</sup> ACRS Meeting of the ACRS Full Committee on Reactor Safeguards Notice of Meeting June 2-4, 2021

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