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**Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer
Items of Interest
Week Ending May 19, 2023**

ARRIVALS		
ARMSTEAD, LILLIAN	MANAGEMENT ANALYST	NMSS
ARNI, AARNAV	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
BELMAN-WELLS, AARON	STUDENT INTERN	RES
BRABRAND, BENNETT	STUDENT INTERN	NSIR
BRADSHAW, DEVIN	STUDENT INTERN	NSIR
BROWN, ALEXANDER	SENIOR INTELLIGENCE ANALYST	NSIR
BROWN, PAULA	STUDENT INTERN	OCHCO
BRUSSELMANS, ROEL	PROJECT MANAGER	NRR
CAMP, DAVID	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
CAPPS, ELIJAH	STUDENT INTERN	R-I
CHEN, JOSEPH	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
CODY, SARA	SUMMER INTERN	OGC
CONTRERAS, JONATHAN	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
DASZKIEWICZ, DANIEL	STUDENT INTERN	R-I
DAVIS, JACOB	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
DILLARD, ABIGAIL	STUDENT INTERN	RES
DONOHUE, JUSTIN	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
EVANS, CARLY	STUDENT INTERN	RES
FINAN, DYLAN	STUDENT INTERN	ADM
FLORES-GARCIA, CELIA	AUDITOR/MANAGEMENT ANALYST	OIG
GHAZALI, MOHSIN	PROJECT MANAGER	NRR
GIFALDI, JOSIAH	STUDENT INTERN	RES

ARRIVALS		
GRAY, REBECCA	STUDENT INTERN	OEDO
GUIEB, ANGELA	STUDENT INTERN	R-III
HADGU, HIRUY	REACTOR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	NRR
HARTY, MATTHEW THOMAS	BUILDING MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST	ADM
HEFFERLE, NICHOLAS	STUDENT INTERN	NMSS
HYLTON, ALECIA	AUDIT MANAGER	OIG
KELLOGG, BENJAMIN	RULEMAKING PROJECT MANAGER	NMSS
KORBA, JACOB	STUDENT INTERN	ADM
KWIATKOWSKI, BRIAN	STUDENT INTERN	R-I
KWOK, AARON	RULEMAKING PROJECT MANAGER	NMSS
LARSEN, CAROLINE	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
MAHAMA, AYISHETU	STUDENT INTERN	OCIO
MARR, JAKE	STUDENT INTERN	RES
MARTINEZ-GURIDI, GERARD	RELIABILITY AND RISK ANALYST	NRR
MESSER, ABIGAIL	STUDENT INTERN	OCIO
MITSTIFER, JAKE	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
NEAL, ZORAH	STUDENT INTERN	OCIO
NEIDITCH, HARRIS	STUDENT INTERN	OCHCO
PARKER, ALEXIS	STUDENT INTERN	R-II
PASSYN, BENJAMIN	STUDENT INTERN	R-I
PAVON, MARGOT	MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT	R-III
RAPSON, CHRISTOPHER	STUDENT INTERN	R-I
RAUNIKAR, RONALD	SR COST ANALYST	NMSS
ROUSE, KATHLEEN	STUDENT INTERN	NMSS
SALCEDO, KEVIN	STUDENT INTERN	NMSS

ARRIVALS		
SCHEUERMANN, ANDREW	STUDENT INTERN	RES
SHARMA, SAHEJ	STUDENT INTERN	NMSS
SHOCKLEY, STEVEN	STUDENT INTERN	RES
SYME, CONOR	STUDENT INTERN	RES
TAPIA-ANDRADE, LESLIE	STUDENT INTERN	R-II
TIEVY, ETHAN	STUDENT INTERN	RES
TREVANT, CALEB	STUDENT INTERN	RES
WADE, JEREMY	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
WANG, ISAAC	STUDENT INTERN	RES
WEITZNER, JACK	STUDENT INTERN	RES
WOLFE, ANDERSON	STUDENT INTERN	NRR
WOODYARD, NOAH	STUDENT INTERN	R-II
WRIGHT, GABRIEL	STUDENT INTERN	OCA
RETIREMENTS		
NONE		
DEPARTURES		
LUSSIER, JACOB A.	STUDENT CO-OP	OCIO

**Office of the Chief Information Officer Items of Interest
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**Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received
During the Period of May 15 – May 19, as submitted by requester**

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
FOIA-2023-000115	Dutro, Pamela	New Mexico Environment Department	Requester is seeking records related to a license issued to Holtec International on May 8, 2023. (Date Range for Record Search: From 8/1/2022 To 5/12/2023)	5/12/2023
FOIA-2023-000116	Smigelski, Peter	Self	Requester is seeking any and all files, documents, reports, or records related to [a named individual's] application for 'Clearance' including any and all medical evaluations and files, documents, reports, or records, any and all files, documents, reports, or records on my physical examinations, any and all files, documents, reports, or records on any and all tests taken as part of the intake process of being an employee for Energy Northwest at the Columbia Generating Station. Any and all evaluations done by any and all medical, psychiatric, security, background, criminal, credit and other checks done as part of the processing and approval of employment for Energy Northwest. More specifically any document reviewed by either Julie Hansen, Bruce Pease and Dr. "Rainey", the Medical Review Officer as well as any and all files, documents, reports, or	05/16/2023

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
FOIA-2023-000116 (continued)			records generated by any and all psychologists used in evaluating the ability of [the named individual] to work and perform the duties of the job, Technical Support Specialist FME Monitor. I would also like any and all files, documents, reports, and paperwork generated by employees of either Columbia Generating Station, Energy Northwest, or specialist employed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission generated in regard to [the named individual's] hiring and eventual dismissal as a candidate for Energy Northwest. Any and all opinions expressed by any and all people who were involved in the decision-making process regarding [the individual's] Clearance and continued employment at Energy Northwest/ Columbia Generating Station/ Nuclear Regulatory Commission Department of Defense.	
FOIA-2023-000117	Hannigan, Denise	-	The following records are requested from the Office of the Inspector General: Investigative Report for C21-012 Quarterly Case Summaries and/or Reviews for C21-012 (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2021 To 05/16/2023)	05/16/2023
FOIA-2023-000118	Slaughter, David	Aerotest Operations, Inc.	Requester is looking for NRC-IG's office report on investigation No, C21-016. This investigation was mentioned in OIG Case No.C21-012.	05/17/2023

**Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Items of Interest
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The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Holds Quarterly Meeting with Industry-Led Technical Specifications Task Force

On May 11, 2023, the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation staff and the industry-led Technical Specifications Task Force (TSTF) conducted a regularly scheduled quarterly meeting (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. [ML23117A351](#)). Discussions included on-going activities, and some newly introduced initiatives by the TSFT. The TSTF prioritized the travelers under review to aid the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) in more efficient use of staffing resources. The next TSTF quarterly meeting will take place in August 2023.

NRC Issues Latest Understanding of Seismic Hazards at Vogtle Units 1, 2, and 3 Following the Process for the Ongoing Assessment of Natural Hazards Information

On May 15, 2023, the NRC staff issued its latest understanding of seismic hazards at the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant (Vogtle), Units 1, 2, and 3 ([ML23006A091](#)), following the process for the ongoing assessment of natural hazards information. The NRC staff assessment considers new seismic ground motion attenuation models for central and eastern North America and updated seismic site response methods. Based on its evaluation of updated seismic hazard curves for the Vogtle plant site, using the new ground motion models and updated site response methods, the NRC staff determined that no further regulatory evaluation of the Vogtle, Units 1, 2, and 3, plant seismic risk is warranted at this time. Vogtle, Unit 4, was not included in the regulatory evaluation as the unit is currently under construction. This is the first of more than a dozen seismic hazard evaluation reports the NRC expects to issue in 2023.

NRC Issues Partial Approval and Denial of Constellation's Request to Use Three Alternative 10 CFR 50.69 Methods at the Limerick Plant

On May 17, 2023, the NRC staff issued a partial approval and denial ([ML23090A163](#)) of Constellation Energy Generation, LLCs (Constellation or Licensee) amendment request to use three alternative Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 50.69 methods for categorizing systems, structures, and components (SSCs) at the Limerick plant. The NRC staff approved Constellation's request to use an alternative seismic approach for categorizing SSCs in the licensee's application of 10 CFR 50.69 but denied Constellation's request to use alternative defense-in-depth and pressure boundary SSC categorization processes.

NRC Signs Order Approving an Indirect License Transfer for the Susquehanna Station, Units 1 and 2, and the Associated Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

On March 30, 2023, the NRC staff signed an order ([ML23073A126](#)) approving an indirect license transfer for the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station, Units 1 and 2, and the associated independent spent fuel storage installation. The NRC's order supported the proposed transaction in which Susquehanna Nuclear would continue to be directly owned by Talen Energy Supply, but which, in turn, would be directly owned by a new parent company (now

called Talen Energy Corporation). On May 17, 2023, Susquehanna Nuclear informed the NRC that it completed its license transfer and emergence from bankruptcy ([ML23137A314](#)), and the NRC staff issued the conforming license amendments for the license transfer ([ML23132A321](#)).

NRC Hosted a Public Meeting Related to the Reactor Oversight Process

On May 18, 2023, the NRC staff hosted a public meeting related to the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) to discuss: calendar year 2023 ROP self-assessment activities, an update on the Age-Related Degradation inspection procedure implementation, plans for revising the Problem Identification and Resolution inspection procedure ([ML23136A589](#)), and a draft response to a public inquiry on Part 26 requirements to contractor travel time ([ML23131A397](#)). Industry representatives presented several topics including: Frequently Asked Question 23-02 relating to an interpretation of a performance indicator at Peach Bottom, an update on the upcoming revision to Nuclear Energy Institute 99-02, and a follow-up discussion on potential changes to the safety culture inspection and assessment program ([ML23136A591](#)). Attendees included the industry's Reactor Oversight Process Task Force, NextEra Energy, and members of the public. The next bi-monthly public meeting on ROP-related matters is tentatively scheduled for July 13, 2023.

X-energy Submits Letter of Intent Informing the NRC that Dow and X-energy Intend to Submit a 10 CFR Part 50 Construction Permit Application and Operating License Application for a 4-Unit Xe-100 Nuclear Power Facility in Calhoun County, Texas

On May 17, 2023, X Energy, LLC (X-energy) submitted a letter of intent ([ML23138A328](#)) informing the NRC that Dow Chemical Company (Dow) and X-energy intend to submit a 10 CFR Part 50 Construction Permit application and subsequent Operating License application for a 4-unit Xe-100 nuclear power facility at the Dow Seadrift site in Calhoun County, Texas. The letter states that the team is considering the opportunity to conduct a preapplication readiness assessment with the NRC in advance of the docketed submission. The NRC staff will continue to engage with X-energy and Dow in preapplication to support the company's planned applications.

**Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
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Abnormal Occurrences Report: Proposed Limited Revision to Policy Statement; 10 CFR Chapter I (NRC-2023-0075)

On May 19, 2023, the U.S Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published a notice in the *Federal Register* (88 FR 32145) proposing limited revisions to its policy statement on reporting abnormal occurrences to Congress. The proposed revisions are to the medical event criteria for determining events that are significant from the standpoint of public health or safety. Comments are requested by August 17, 2023.

Westinghouse Transfer of Control of License

On May 15, 2023, NRC staff issued an Order (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. [ML23096A266](#)) approving the indirect transfer of control of licenses for Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC. The Order includes the special nuclear materials license, SNM-1107, and thirty-four export licenses. The December 20, 2022, submission sought consent of the proposed indirect transfer of control of certain materials and export licenses to Brookfield Corporation (Brookfield Renewable Partners L.P. and Cameco Corporation as partners in the transaction).

Public Meeting on the Integrated Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Rulemaking

On May 17, 2023, the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards staff held a virtual public meeting on the integrated low level radioactive waste disposal rulemaking. Approximately, 60 members of the public attended the meeting, including representatives from state governments, industry, the Department of Energy, and the Government Accountability Office. The staff discussed preliminary direction on topics being addressed in this rulemaking and provided the public an opportunity to ask questions. The staff is developing a proposed rule currently scheduled to be submitted to the Commission in November 2023.

**Office of the Secretary
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-23-0029	05/16/23	Rulemaking Plan for the Implementation of Changes to Reflect Advanced Reactor Export Licensing Considerations
2. Commission Voting Record SECY-23-0029	05/16/23	Rulemaking Plan for the Implementation of Changes to Reflect Advanced Reactor Export Licensing Considerations
Information		
1. SECY-23-0043	05/02/23	Annual Report to the Commission on Licensee Performance in the Nuclear Materials and Waste Safety Program for Fiscal Year 2022
2. SECY-23-0045	05/19/23	Weekly Information Report Week Ending May 12, 2023
Memoranda		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum M230516	05/18/23	Update on 10 C.F.R. Part 53 Licensing and Regulation of Advanced Nuclear Reactors

Commission Correspondence

1. None

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. None