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JULY 28, 2023

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**Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer
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ARRIVALS		
BARRIE, KELLY	BRANCH CHIEF	OCHCO
BISHWAKARMA, RAMU	PROGRAM EVALUATOR	OEDO
DAVIS, CHAD	PHYSICAL SECURITY INSPECTOR	R-I
GENNARDO, DAVID	RELIABILITY AND RISK ANALYST	NRR
GILBERT, HELENA	AGENCY RECORDS OFFICER	OCIO
HASTINGS, ANDREW	HEALTH PHYSICIST	R-I
HO, HSIANG YUAN	PROGRAM EVALUATOR	OEDO
HOBBS, ALEXANDER	REACTOR INSPECTOR	R-III
JACKSON, BRYAN	DATA SCIENTIST	RES
JEBBIA, BRETT	OPERATIONS ENGINEER	R-III
KWOK, AARON	RULEMAKING PROJECT MANAGER	NMSS
MAHAL, DANIELLE	AUDIT MANAGER	OIG
MCELLIS, BENNETT	EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR	NSIR
MORGAN, JASON	OPERATIONS ENGINEER	R-I
ROSZKOWSKI, VICTORIA	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	NMSS
STAPLES, NECOTA	REACTOR INSPECTOR (RTR)	NRR
SUBBARATNAM, RAMACHAN	PROJECT MANAGER	NRR
THAWN, THANG	SAFETY AND PLANT SYSTEMS ENGINEER	NRR
ZHAO, GANG	STRUCTURAL ENGINEER	NMSS
RETIREMENTS		
JONES, CYNTHIA G	SR TECH ADV FOR NUCLEAR SECURITY	NSIR
ORR, JOHN D	SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR (PWR/TL)	R-II
SPARKS, SCOTT E	SENIOR ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST	R-II
TERRY-WARD, DENISE	REACTOR INSPECTOR	R-II

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DEPARTURES		
CORADO, KAREN C	MANAGEMENT ANALYST	OIG
DEBOSE, CARLOS R.	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	OCHCO
EVANS, CARLY E	STUDENT INTERN	RES
ROUSE, KATHLEEN S	STUDENT INTERN	NMSS

**Office of the Chief Information Officer
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**Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received
During the Period of July 24 – July 28, as submitted by requester**

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
FOIA-2023-000174	Howell, Mike	Heritage Foundation Oversight Project	Requester is seeking the following from 2021 to the present: All emails to/from/bcc Annie Caputo mentioning, "on the background", "off the record", "off-the-record", "on background", "deep background", "compliance", "confidential", "complaint", "investigation", "classified", "LIMDIS", "not for attribution", "non-attribution", "not attributed", "source", "anonymity", "anonymous", "sensitive", "counsel", "embargo", "embargoed", "policy draft", "talking points", "pre-read", "briefing sheet", "sitrep", "memorandum draft", or "memorandum". All calendar entries and internal Microsoft Teams or Lync messages from Annie Caputo mentioning "on the background", "off the record", "off-the-record", "on background", "deep background", "compliance", "confidential", "complaint", "investigation", "classified", "LIMDIS", "not for attribution", "non-attribution", "not attributed", "source", "anonymity", "anonymous", "sensitive", "counsel", "embargo", "embargoed", "policy draft", "talking points", "pre-read", "briefing sheet", "sitrep", "memorandum draft", "memorandum", "Republican", "Democrat" or "nominee".	07/24/2023
FOIA-2023-000175	Howell, Mike	Heritage Foundation Oversight Project	Requester is seeking the following from 2021 to the present: All emails to/from/bcc Bradley R. Crowell brcrowell@nrc.gov mentioning, "on the background", "off the record", "off-the-record", "on background", "deep background", "compliance", "confidential", "complaint", "investigation", "classified", "LIMDIS",	07/24/2023

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FOIA-2023-000175 (continued)			"not for attribution", "non-attribution", "not attributed", "source", "anonymity", "anonymous", "sensitive", "counsel", "embargo", "embargoed", "policy draft", "talking points", "pre-read", "briefing sheet", "sitrep", "memorandum draft", "memorandum", "Republican", "Democrat" or "nominee.	
FOIA-2023-000176	Howell, Mike	Heritage Foundation Oversight Project	Requester is seeking the following from 2021 to the present: All emails to/from/bcc Robert J. Feitel mentioning, "on the background", "off the record", "off-the-record", "on background", "deep background", "compliance", "confidential", "complaint", "investigation", "classified", "LIMDIS", "not for attribution", "non-attribution", "not attributed", "source", "anonymity", "anonymous", "sensitive", "counsel", "embargo", "embargoed", "policy draft", "talking points", "pre-read", "briefing sheet", "sitrep", "memorandum draft", or "memorandum". All calendar entries and internal Microsoft Teams or Lync messages from Robert J. Feitel mentioning "on the background", "off the record", "off-the-record", "on background", "deep background", "compliance", "confidential", "complaint", "investigation", "classified", "LIMDIS", "not for attribution", "non-attribution", "not attributed", "source", "anonymity", "anonymous", "sensitive", "counsel", "embargo", "embargoed", "policy draft", "talking points", "pre-read", "briefing sheet", "sitrep", "memorandum draft", "memorandum", "Republican", "Democrat" or "nominee".	07/26/2023
FOIA-2023-000177	Verstrete, Heather	Barry McTiernan & Moore	Requester is seeing information about records of asbestos abatement being performed at this facility: G.C. Dress Company, 178 Malcolm Avenue, Garfield, NJ (1948-1964).	07/28/2023
REF-2023-000006	Hathaway, Oona	Yale Law School	Requester is seeking certain records related to unclassified non-binding international agreements to be released.	07/28/2023

**Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
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Twentieth Anniversary of the Technical Specifications Task Force as a Joint Owners' Group Activity

July 21, 2023, was the twentieth anniversary of the Technical Specifications Task Force (TSTF) as a joint Owners' Group activity. Thirty years ago, in 1993, the TSTF, began as the "Lead Plant Group," with representatives from the first plants to convert to the Standard Technical Specifications (STS). The current membership is made up of the Boiling Water Reactor Owners Group and Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group (PWROG) Licensing Committee chairpersons, and 3 additional PWROG members, representing Combustion Engineering, Babcock & Wilcox, and Westinghouse AP1000 plant designs. Excel Services is the program manager. The TSTF works collaboratively with the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Technical Specifications Branch to develop generic changes to the STS (over 600 total) to solve technical issues, adapt to emerging technologies, and promote the correct and consistent application of Technical Specifications. Currently, there are nine such changes under review with several more in development. In 2022, the NRR approved 107 license amendments to adopt approved travelers.

NRC and the Department of Energy's Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations Supported a Government-to-Government Meeting in Cheyenne, WY with State Legislators and Other State Officials Related to TerraPower's Natrium Demonstration Reactor

On July 24, 2023, staff from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations supported a government-to-government meeting in Cheyenne, WY with state legislators and other state officials. NRC and DOE provided an overview of each agency's activities related to TerraPower's proposed Natrium demonstration reactor in Kemmerer, WY. The NRC staff successfully fielded several questions regarding the difference between preconstruction and construction activities, the timing and location of various external stakeholder interactions involved in the licensing process, and the relationship between NRC and DOE National Environmental Policy Act actions that need to be completed for the Natrium project. The NRC staff expects to provide continued support to the state as it evaluates its own industrial siting processes in preparation for the Natrium project.

The Nuclear Energy Institute Submitted Draft NEI 20-07, Revision E, "Guidance for Addressing Common Cause Failure in High Safety-Significant Safety-Related Digital [Instrumentation and Control] I&C Systems," for NRC Review

On July 24, 2023, Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) submitted draft NEI 20-07, Revision E, "Guidance for Addressing Common Cause Failure in High Safety-Significant Safety-Related Digital I&C Systems." NEI has requested review of the draft (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. [ML23205A193](#)), requested withholding from public disclosure the draft ([ML23205A187](#)), and requested exemption from fees ([ML23205A192](#)). The NRC staff will act on NEI's fee exemption request first because any time charged for work on

pre-submittal activities, review, and endorsement of NEI 20-07 is fee billable until an exemption has been signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

NRR Issued the 10 CFR 52.103(g) Finding for Vogtle Unit 4

On July 28, 2023, NRR issued the 10 CFR 52.103(g) finding for Vogtle Unit 4. The finding is based on the staff's determination that Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) successfully completed all of the inspections, tests, analyses, and acceptance criteria in Appendix C of the Vogtle Unit 4 combined license. This finding, only the second ever to be issued under the Part 52 licensing process, allows SNC to load fuel and begin operation of Vogtle Unit 4 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license.

**Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
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Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions: Semiannual Regulatory Agenda; 10 CFR Chapter I [NRC-2023-0059]

On July 27, 2023, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published in the *Federal Register* ([88 FR 48688](#)) the 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 NRC's Agenda is a compilation of all rulemaking activities on which we have recently completed action or have proposed or are considering action. Comments are requested by August 28, 2023.

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**Office of Administration
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Video Teleconference (VTC) Equipment for the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response

On July 24, 2023, contract number NNG15SC20B/31310023F0091 was awarded to Sterling Computers Corporation in North Sioux City, SD. The purpose of this contract is to procure equipment to support three (3) VTC conference rooms located at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Headquarters and an NRC Regional Office located in Arlington, Texas. The period of performance is from July 24, 2023, through July 23, 2024, with no option periods. The total potential value of the contract can be up to \$545,976.22.

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**Office of the Secretary
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. Commission Voting Record SECY-23-0055	07/21/23	Options for Licensing Emerging Technologies Used for Remediation of Mine Waste (Wright)
2. Commission Voting Record COMJMB-23-0001	07/26/23	Establishing Commission Expectations for the Effectiveness, Efficiency, and Timeliness of New Reactor Reviews (Crowell)
Information		
1. SECY-23-0063	07/24/23	Weekly Information Report Week Ending July 14, 2023
Memoranda		
1. None		

Commission Correspondence

None.

Federal Register Notices Issued

None.