

**INFORMATION REPORT**

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FOR: The Commissioners

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SUBJECT: WEEKLY INFORMATION REPORT – WEEK ENDING  
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**Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer  
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<b>ARRIVALS</b>		
NONE		
<b>RETIREMENTS</b>		
KIM, ERIC T	SPACE COORDINATOR	ADM
MALIK, SHAH N	SENIOR MATERIALS ENGINEER	RES
SCHMIDT, COLLEEN M	OPERATOR LICENSING ASSISTANT	R-III
WOODFIELD, JON N	TRANS & STORAGE SAFETY INSPECTOR	NMSS
<b>DEPARTURES</b>		
HISER, ALLEN L. JR	SENIOR MATERIALS ENGINEER	NRR
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ROSSO, MALLORY R.	STUDENT INTERN	OGC

**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 August 28 – September 1, as submitted by requester**

<b>Tracking Number</b>	<b>Requester's Name</b>	<b>Requester's Organization</b>	<b>Request Description</b>	<b>Received Date</b>
FOIA-2023-000197	Gurziel, Thomas	-	In a Commission meeting on Digital I & C held on 5-14-2019, mention is made of an effort over the next year to look at data and operating experience, believed to be related to common cause failure. At 2:08:10 it was noted that it was stated that this work would be completed by FY 2020. If this work has been done, supply a printed copy of it including, in particular, all Lessons Learned, Conclusions, Suggestions, and an estimate of Digital I & C Common Cause Failure frequency of occurrence.	08/29/2023
FOIA-2023-000198	Keys, Clay	-	Requester is seeking the following: 1. A copy of the last (5) newsletters of the "Inspector Newsletter" (NRR). 2. A copy of the last (3) issues of the "The Vendor times/ ( NRC) newsletter. 3. FOIA Logs for the NRC for 7-31-21 to 12-31-22 in Fiscal year.	08/29/2023
FOIA-2023-000199	Jeffers, David	-	Requester is seeking rules, regulations and statutes governing both nuclear power reactors and hydro electric. Policies, permits and requirements, including costs. for the state of North Carolina. Qualifications and exemptions. Qualifications and requirements for grant funding including application and procedural requirements and process for obtaining authorization for nuclear power reactor.	08/29/2023
FOIA-2023-000200	Jones, Sophia	NuScale Power	The dataset for NUREG/CR-0375. I have found reports about this data that only have pdf plots and would like the tabular dataset for code benchmarking.	08/29/2023
FOIA-2023-000201	Williams, Lauren	VERTEX	We'd like to request records for the following site: • 10550 Marina Drive Olive Branch, Mississippi 38654 • 10600 Marina Drive Olive Branch, Mississippi 38654 We request that a copy of the	08/29/2023

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FOIA-2023-000201 (continued)			following documents [or documents containing the following information] be provided: Specific Information Request: - All reports regarding dumping incident at 10550 Marina Drive on 2010-04-05 and any assessments or remediation actions performed onsite regarding NRC Report #937438 Site ID: 2010937438 -All reports regarding violation at 10600 Marina Drive on 1990-07-30 All records relating too: -Any other records pertaining to violations or incident reports. -Discharge or wastewater permits specifically historic discharge violations.	
FOIA-2023-000202	Tait, Daniel	Energy and Policy Institute	All electronic records (including emails sent, received, BCC and CC, email attachments, text messages, encrypted messages such as Signal and/or WhatsApp, etc., messaging apps such as Slack, Trello and/or Asana, etc., cloud based file storage and document systems such as Microsoft One Drive, Google Drive, and/or Dropbox, etc., social media direct messages for professional purposes, such as Facebook and/or Twitter, etc.) between Kristine Svinicki and any NRC Commissioner, including their respective administrative assistants or chiefs of staff. You may exclude news articles, press clippings, and duplicate records. (Date Range for Record Search: From 1/1/2021 To 10/1/2021)	08/31/2023

**Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
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**NRR Released the Draft White Paper on Micro-Reactor Licensing and Deployment Considerations**

On August 29, 2023, the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) released the draft white paper, "Micro-Reactor Licensing and Deployment Considerations: Fuel Loading and Operational Testing at a Factory" (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. [ML23236A598](#) and [ML23236A597](#)), which discusses considerations for licensing fuel loading and operational testing for micro-reactors at a factory and related topics. The draft white paper will support a public meeting with stakeholders in mid-September, which will inform the final development of a related notation vote paper. The staff will update the Office of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards on these micro-reactor topics during planned interactions in October.

**NRC Staff Held an Observation Public Meeting to Discuss Workload Management, Licensing Performance, and Licensing Process Observations Following the April 2023 Regulatory Issues Task Force Meeting**

On August 23, 2023, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a virtual, observation public meeting to discuss workload management, licensing performance, and licensing process observations following the April 2023 regulatory issues task force (RITF) meeting ([ML23125A030](#)). The meeting had over 30 attendees. The staff provided highlights of its data-driven licensing and workload management processes in response to the observations provided at the April 2023 RITF. NRC staff facilitated discussions and invited additional feedback with stakeholders, which included Nuclear Energy Institute, Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Entergy, Energy Northwest, and Excel Services Corporation.

**NRC Staff was Notified of a Temporary Change in Management at Westinghouse Electric Company**

On August 28, 2023, NRC staff was notified of a temporary change at Westinghouse Electric Company. Jill Redmon, Westinghouse Executive Vice President (EVP) of Quality, Environment, Health, and Safety (QEHS) and Chief Quality Officer (CQO), has taken a temporary leave of absence. The EVP for QEHS is responsible for Westinghouse's global regulatory affairs and employee concerns program in addition to CQO responsibilities. Rick Easterling will serve as the acting leader of QEHS and acting CQO. Rick will report to Patrick Fragman, Westinghouse President and Chief Executive Officer.

**NRC finalized Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2014-06 "Consideration of Current Operating Issues and Licensing Actions in License Renewal"**

On August 29, 2023, Revision 1 to Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2014-06 "Consideration of Current Operating Issues and Licensing Actions in License Renewal" was finalized. The RIS was revised to provide additional clarity on current operating experience and other technical information considered by the NRC staff in the license renewal process.

**NRC Staff Held a Public Pre-submittal Meeting with Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC to Discuss their Regulatory Path to Potentially Request Reauthorization of Power Operation at the Palisades Nuclear Power Plant**

On August 29, 2023, NRR and the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) staff held a public pre-submittal meeting with Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC (HDI) to discuss their plan to submit an exemption request as part of their regulatory path to potentially request reauthorization of power operation at the Palisades Nuclear Power Plant ([ML23235A240](#)). During the meeting, the staff provided feedback on the planned application, including questions about HDI's intent to request a categorical exclusion under 10 CFR 51.22. HDI also stated its desire to transition from a decommissioned plant to an operating plant by August 2025. Approximately 130 people attended the meeting which included board members of local townships in Michigan, as well as members representing the Beyond Nuclear and Don't Waste Michigan organizations.

**Oklo Announced that it had Received a Notice of Intent to Award a Contract to Site, Construct, and Operate a Power Reactor at Eielson Air Force Base**

On August 31, 2023, Oklo announced that it had received a Notice of Intent to Award a contract from the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Energy, on behalf of the Department of Air Force (DAF), to site, construct, and operate a power reactor at Eielson Air Force Base (AFB). This award supports the DAF Micro-Reactor Pilot Program. If awarded, Oklo would own and operate the reactor and provide steam and electricity to Eielson AFB through a power purchase agreement established between Oklo and DLA Energy by the end of 2027. The NRC staff is supporting pre-application engagement activities with Oklo in its efforts to site, construct, and operate an Aurora X power reactor at the Idaho National Laboratory and is working with Oklo to understand how the Micro-Reactor Pilot Program will affect ongoing and subsequent licensing activities.

**NRC Staff Attended Several Meetings in Fairbanks, Alaska Regarding the Eielson Micro-Reactor Pilot Program**

During the week of August 27, 2023, NRC staff attended several meetings in Fairbanks, Alaska regarding the Eielson Micro-Reactor Pilot Program. NMSS and NRR staff gave presentations on the NRC licensing process to the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce, Commanding Officer of the 354th Fighter Wing and his staff, Tanana Chiefs Conference staff, the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, and the 'Council for the Alaska Micro-Reactor Program.' Other participants included the Defense Logistics Agency and the Department of Energy. On August 31, 2023, the NRC staff participated in a public meeting led by the Hon. Dr. Ravi Chaudhary, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Energy, Installations, and Environment. The Air Force discussed the strategic importance of the program, the expected timeline, and announced the intent to award the contract to Oklo, Inc.

**Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards**  
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**American Society of Mechanical Engineers 2021-2022 Code Editions: Correction; 10 CFR Part 50 [NRC-2018-0289; RIN 3150-AK21]**

On August 29, 2023, the Office of the Federal Register published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([86 FR 59471](#)) correcting two printing errors in a document that was published on August 8, 2023 ([86 FR 53384](#)).

**Office of the Secretary  
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
<b>Decision Documents</b>		
1. None.		
<b>Information</b>		
1. SECY-23-0076	08/28/23	Weekly Information Report Week Ending August 18, 2023
2. COMDAW-23-0001/COMAXC-23-0002	08/29/23	Measuring NRC Success
<b>Memoranda</b>		
1. None.		

**Commission Correspondence**

1. Letter to the Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers, et al., submits the July 2023 monthly status report on the NRC activities and use of unobligated carryover funds appropriated from the Nuclear Waste Fund
2. Letter to the Honorable Dianne Feinstein, et al., submits the NRC's monthly Congressional Status Report for July 2023

**Federal Register Notices Issued**

1. Kairos Power LLC; Notice of Hearing