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To: [Leelavathi Sreenivas](#); [Desiree Davis \(She/Her\)](#)
Subject: RE: UAP/UFO Reporting Requirement and EWR Guidance - A question
Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2023 2:31:00 PM

Leela,

Good afternoon. I made a change to the BLUF for this meeting. Please replace v2 with attached v3 on the meeting announcement in Microsoft Outlook. Thanks!

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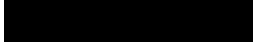

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Thank you so much!

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Ok, Done!

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Leela,

Please attach this revised BLUF to the meeting invite regarding this topic. Thank you!

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Thank you to you both!

Desiree

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Ok got it.

Thanks.

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O.k. Leela, please ignore my request to add Phil Brochman at this meeting. Sorry for the confusion.

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Hi Daryl,

Let's discuss internally before we open it to DPCP.

Desiree

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Also, please add Phil Brochman to the Teams meeting invite. Thanks!

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Leela,

Good afternoon. Could you please schedule a 30 minute Teams meeting between Tara, Sam, me, Desiree Davis and Mark McDonald for this week or next? Subject is "UAP/UFO Reporting Requirement and EWR Guidance - A question." Thanks for your assistance.

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Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2023 6:53 PM
To: Daryl Johnson <Daryl.Johnson@nrc.gov>
Subject: RE: UAP/UFO Reporting Requirement and EWR Guidance - A question

Thank you, Daryl! Can you add this as a talking point for our briefing to Division management? Were you able to find a good time next week that works for Tara/Sam/Susan (2 of 3 is fine, too!).

Desiree

From: Daryl Johnson <Daryl.Johnson@nrc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2023 1:49 PM
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Subject: FW: UAP/UFO Reporting Requirement and EWR Guidance - A question

Desiree,

FYI – Phil Brochman’s response to any UAP impact to the EWR. Basically, there’s no impact because Phil believe his current characterization of “manned” and “unmanned” covers UAPs. He did have some input and questions concerning possible rule making regarding the new federal UAP reporting law’s applicability to the NRC (see below).

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10-4. I have not added anything regarding NDAA reporting issues to the slides on DG-5082 (Rev 1 to RG 5.87). Pb

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Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2023 10:42 AM
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Subject: RE: UAP/UFO Reporting Requirement and EWR Guidance - A question

Let's stand down from doing any work on this for the time being. I'm concerned about it serving as a distractor from the public meeting and RG updates. If we need to have a discussion about UFOs, let's wait until after the meeting next week. I'm not supportive of us adding anything to the slides for the public meeting next week at this point.

Greg

From: Phil Brochman <Phil.Brochman@nrc.gov>
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In the existing final rule under § 73.1215(d)(1)(iii) for reporting suspicious activity, we have included "manned aerial activity, and unmanned aerial activity".

If by manned we mean crewed by "humans," then "unmanned" could be interpreted as meaning either uncrewed or crewed by non-humans.

If so, we might argue that the current reg requires reporting of aerial phenom that will meet the NDAA.

In looking at Daryl's slide on the NDAA language, I have two questions.

1. Does the description of what is reported under § 73.1215 today match what the NDAA wants.
1. Can the Commission exclude certain types of licensees from the group "or other sites or facilities regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission" in a rulemaking. Meaning does this NDAA language include all NRC licensees, e.g., RTR, NPUF, and byproduct licensees? Or can the Commission via rulemaking specify which licensees are not included. § 73.1215(d) includes RTRs. Also what about agreement state licensees, especially those subject to §

73.67?

Phil

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Does the current rule require licensees to report UFOs? I think this goes without saying, but if it's not explicitly required, using the RG to expand the scope of the rule is a non-starter.

Let's definitely talk before doing anything beyond what we currently have planned for the RGs (i.e., specifically addressing the known issues). I think trying to expand the scope has the potential to derail things.

Greg

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BLUF: The NRC is now required to report the number of unidentified anomalous phenomena (UAPs, also previously referred to as UFOs) at/around NRC-licensed facilities on an annual basis, per this year's NDAA. DSO/SOSB believes there is a gap in our current guidance to licensees about suspicious activity reporting, because our previously issued IAT/SA guidance focuses on unmanned aerial systems (and not UAPs/UFOs). They are looking to address that gap.

Initially, DSO/SOSB intended to communicate this shift in guidance through a Security Advisory, which is how guidance regarding suspicious activity reporting has been communicated previously. However, with the issuance of the Enhanced Weapons Rule this spring and the shift in suspicious activity reporting from a voluntary initiative to a regulatory requirement, I believe communicating this guidance would be better placed in the RGs (and – how convenient! – we are in the process of revising the RGs for the EWR).

My question to the team is: Is making this addition to include UAP/UFO reporting in the RGs at this time appropriate (and/or necessary), or should we pursue the plan that was initially proposed by DSO/SOSB, and issue a generic communication to this effect? This is basically another “example” of suspicious activities that should be reported per the rule.

Thoughts welcome.

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From: Daryl Johnson

Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2023 11:20 AM

To: ■■■■ > ■■■■

Subject: Teams Call

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Good morning. Do you have time for a 5 to 10 minute Teams call about SID close out quarterly metrics? Need to brief you on an EDO request.

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