



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
WASHINGTON, DC 20555-0001**

**AGENDA
731st ACRS MEETING**

December 3-5, 2025
Two White Flint, ACRS Meeting Room T-2D10
11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD
Open/Closed to the Public

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2025

- 1) 1:00 PM – 1:05 PM Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open) (WK/MB)
 - 1.1) Opening statement
 - 1.2) Agenda and items of current interest

- 2) 1:05 PM – 5:00 PM Self-Assessment/Lessons Learned/Path Forward/Planning and Procedures Session/Future ACRS Activities/Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations/Preparation of Reports (Open/Closed) (WK/MB)
 - 2.1) Committee discussion on lessons learned from recent reviews and plan for future reviews
 - 2.2) Discussion of the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee
 - 2.3) Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments

- 2.4) Discussion of the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters
- 2.5) Committee deliberation
- 2.6) Preparation of reports
- 2.7) Election of Officers

[NOTE: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), a portion of this meeting may be closed to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of the ACRS.]

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*****Breaks and Lunch at discretion of the Chairman*****

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025

- 3) 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Palisades Nuclear Plant Restart Activities – Steam Generator Operational Assessment Discussion/Planning and Procedures Session/Future ACRS Activities/Preparation of Reports
(Open/Closed)
(GH/QN)
 - 3.1) Remarks from Subcommittee Chairman and discussion with NRC staff
 - 3.2) Committee deliberation
 - 3.3) Discussion of the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee
 - 3.4) Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments
 - 3.5) Discussion of the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters
 - 3.6) Preparation of reports
 - 3.7) Other committee business

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- 4) 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM Self-Assessment/Lessons Learned/Path Forward/Planning and Procedures Session/Future ACRS Activities/Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations/Preparation of Reports (Open/Closed) (WK/MB)
- 4.1) Committee discussion on lessons learned from recent reviews and plan for future reviews
 - 4.2) Discussion of the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee
 - 4.3) Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments
 - 4.4) Discussion of the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters
 - 4.5) Committee deliberation
 - 4.6) Preparation of reports

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025

- 5) 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM Self-Assessment/Lessons Learned/Path Forward/Planning and Procedures Session/Future ACRS Activities/Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations/Preparation of Reports (Open/Closed) (WK/MB)
- 5.1) Committee discussion on lessons learned from recent reviews and plan for future reviews
 - 5.2) Discussion of the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee
 - 5.3) Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments
 - 5.4) Discussion of the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to comments and

recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters

5.5) Committee deliberation

5.6) Preparation of reports

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NOTES:

In accordance with the purposes of Sections 29 and 182b of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232(b)), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) will hold this Full Committee meeting. In addition, the ACRS is implementing [Executive Order \(EO\) 14300, "Ordering the Reform of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission," dated May 23, 2025](#). Section 4.(b) of the EO states, in part, that the functions of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) shall be reduced to the minimum necessary to fulfill ACRS's statutory obligations and that review by ACRS of permitting and licensing issues shall focus on issues that are truly novel and noteworthy. The ACRS will only undertake other work as directed by the Commission in accordance with Sections 29 and 182b of the Atomic Energy Act.

Federal Register Notice 90 FR 34522 (<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-07-22/pdf/2025-13691.pdf>) dated July 22, 2025, describes procedures to be followed with respect to meetings conducted by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and NRC implementing regulations found at Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 7, "Advisory Committees." Members of the public who desire to provide written or oral input for ACRS Full Committee and Subcommittee meetings may do so and should contact the DFO five days prior to the meeting, as practicable. In addition, there will be time allotted at each meeting for the public to provide oral comments. The DFO will be listed in the FRN for Full Committee meetings and the agendas for Subcommittee meetings.

Participants on the line will be muted except when the Chairman opens the meeting to public comment. When appropriate, members of the public and representatives of the nuclear industry may provide their views during the briefings. Presentation time should not exceed 50 percent of the total time allocated for a given item. The remaining 50 percent of the time is reserved for discussion. Public comments should be limited to 3-5 minutes each.

One (1) electronic copy of the presentation materials must be provided to the ACRS staff at least three (3) full working days before the meeting. NRC staff should ensure presentations are publicly available, if applicable, and declared in the Agencywide Documents Access and

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All relevant information related to ACRS activities, such as letters, rules for meeting participation and transcripts are located on the [NRC public website](#) and can be found at "[About Us ACRS](#)". A transcript of this meeting is being kept and will be posted on our website. For additional information about ACRS scan or click on the QR code below.



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