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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
PILOT PROGRAM EVALUATION PANEL

Meeting Notice

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of October 6, 1972 (Pub. L., 94-463, Stat. 770-776) the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) announced the establishment of the Pilot Program Evaluation Panel (PPEP). The PPEP functions as a management-level oversight group to monitor and evaluate the success of the Commission's Reactor Oversight Process Improvements program. A Charter governing the PPEP functions as a Federal Advisory Committee was filed with Congress on June 30, 1999, after consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration. The PPEP will hold its forthcoming meetings on November 16 and 17, 1999, at the DoubleTree Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852 (Phone 301-468-1100/Fax 301-468-0308). Hotel accommodations may be arranged directly with DoubleTree Hotel. Parking is available at \$5.00 per day.

The PPEP meeting participants are listed below along with their affiliation:

Frank P. Gillespie - Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Mohan C. Thadani - Nuclear Regulatory Commission

James T. Wiggins - Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Heidi Hahn - Los Alamos National Laboratories

Bruce Mallet - Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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George Barnes - Commonwealth Edison Company

James Chase - Omaha Public Power District

Gary Wright - Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety

David Lochbaum - Union of Concerned Scientists

Additionally, the representatives of the following States and interested groups have been invited to provide their views and their stakeholders' views:

Public Citizen-Washington, DC;

Manager of Projects and Programs-Southern California Edison , San Clemente, CA;

The State of North Carolina;

The State of Pennsylvania;

The State of New Jersey;

The State of Nebraska;

The State of New York;

The State of Vermont;

The State of Florida;

The State of Tennessee; and

The State of Minnesota.

Tentative agendas of the meetings are outlined as follows:

November 16, 1999 Meeting

8:00 a.m.	Introduction/Meeting Objectives and Goals
8:30 a.m.	Performance indicators and Risk Informed Baseline Inspections
	Input from each non-NRC participant (10 minutes each)
	PPEP Discussion and questions (30 minutes)
11:00 a.m.	Significance Determination Process and Assessments
	Input from each non-NRC participant (10 minutes each)
12:00 Noon	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Significance Determination Process and Assessments (Continued)
	PPEP Discussion and questions (30 minutes)
2:00 p.m.	Enforcement and Overall Evaluation
	Input from each non-NRC participant (10 minutes each)

PPEP Discussion and questions (30 minutes)

3:30 p.m. General Discussion

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

NOVEMBER 17, 1999 Meeting

8:00 a.m. Recap of previous day/Meeting objectives and Goals

8:30 a.m. Performance Indicators and Risk Informed Baseline Inspections

NRC Headquarter's Panel Presentation (45 minutes)

NRC Regional Panel Presentation (15 minutes)

PPEP Discussion and questions (30 minutes)

10:15 a.m. Significance Determination Process and Assessments

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3:00 p.m.	PPEP Teams Caucus
3:30 p.m.	PPEP Discussion
4:00 p.m.	Adjourn

Meetings of the PPEP are open to the members of the public. Oral or written views may be presented by the members of the public, including members of the nuclear industry. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Mr. Frank P. Gillespie (Telephone 301/415-1004, e-mail FPG@nrc.gov) or Mr. Mohan C. Thadani (Telephone 301/415-1476, e-mail MCT@nrc.gov) five days prior to the meeting date, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras will be permitted during this meeting.

Further information regarding topics of discussion; whether the meeting has been canceled, rescheduled, or relocated; and the Panel Chairman's ruling regarding requests to present oral statements and time allotted, may be obtained by contacting Mr. Frank P. Gillespie or Mr. Mohan C. Thadani between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. EDT.

PPEP meeting transcripts and meeting reports will be available from the Commission's Public Document Room. Transcripts will be placed on the agency's web page at the address below.

<http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/index.html>.

Transcripts of previous PPEP meetings can be viewed as background material at the above web site.