



Public Communication: How the NRC's Public Affairs Efforts Enhance Agency Transparency

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NRC Opens Online Registration for 2020 Regulatory Information Conference

Online registration is now open for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's 32nd annual Regulatory Information Conference, to be held March 10-12 in North Bethesda, Md.

The NRC offices of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and Nuclear Regulatory Research will jointly host the annual RIC, which is free and open to the public. Registration is required to attend. The conference agenda and online registration links are available on the [NRC website](#). The deadline for online registration is Feb. 25.

The conference draws approximately 2,500 attendees, including industry executives, representatives from state governments, non-governmental organizations, individual community members, and representatives from foreign countries. The conference is an opportunity for attendees to hear about issues related to the safety and security of commercial nuclear facilities and current regulatory activities. The theme for the 2020 RIC is "The Future is Now."

Issuing News Releases



Using Social Media



Talking with Members of the Public





Information and Education

OPA helps educate and inform the public about the NRC and its activities.



At Public Meetings and Events



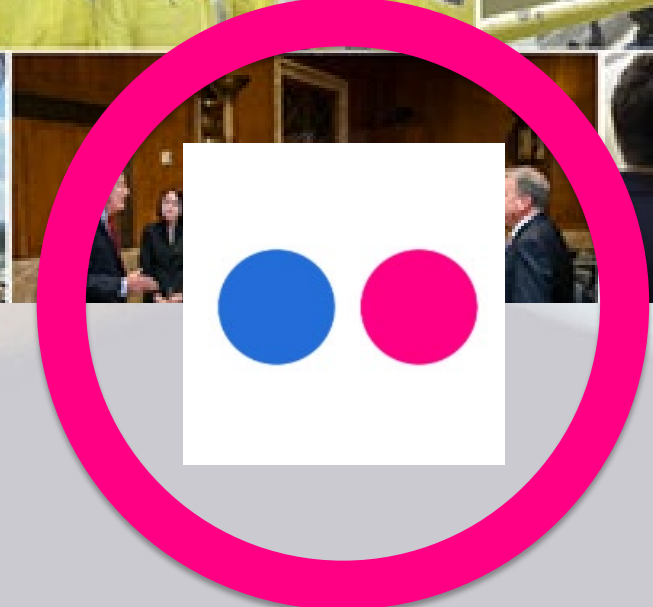
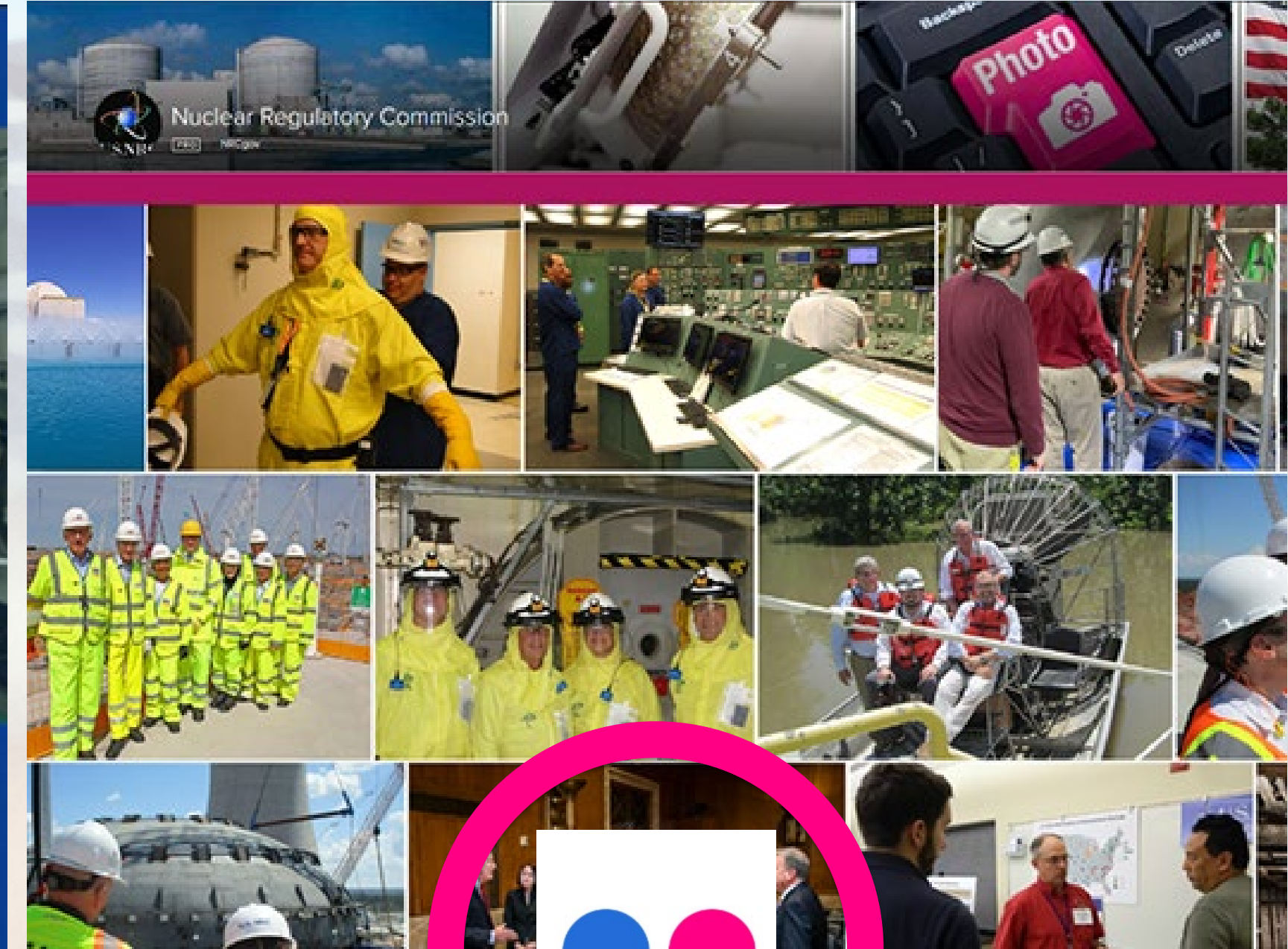
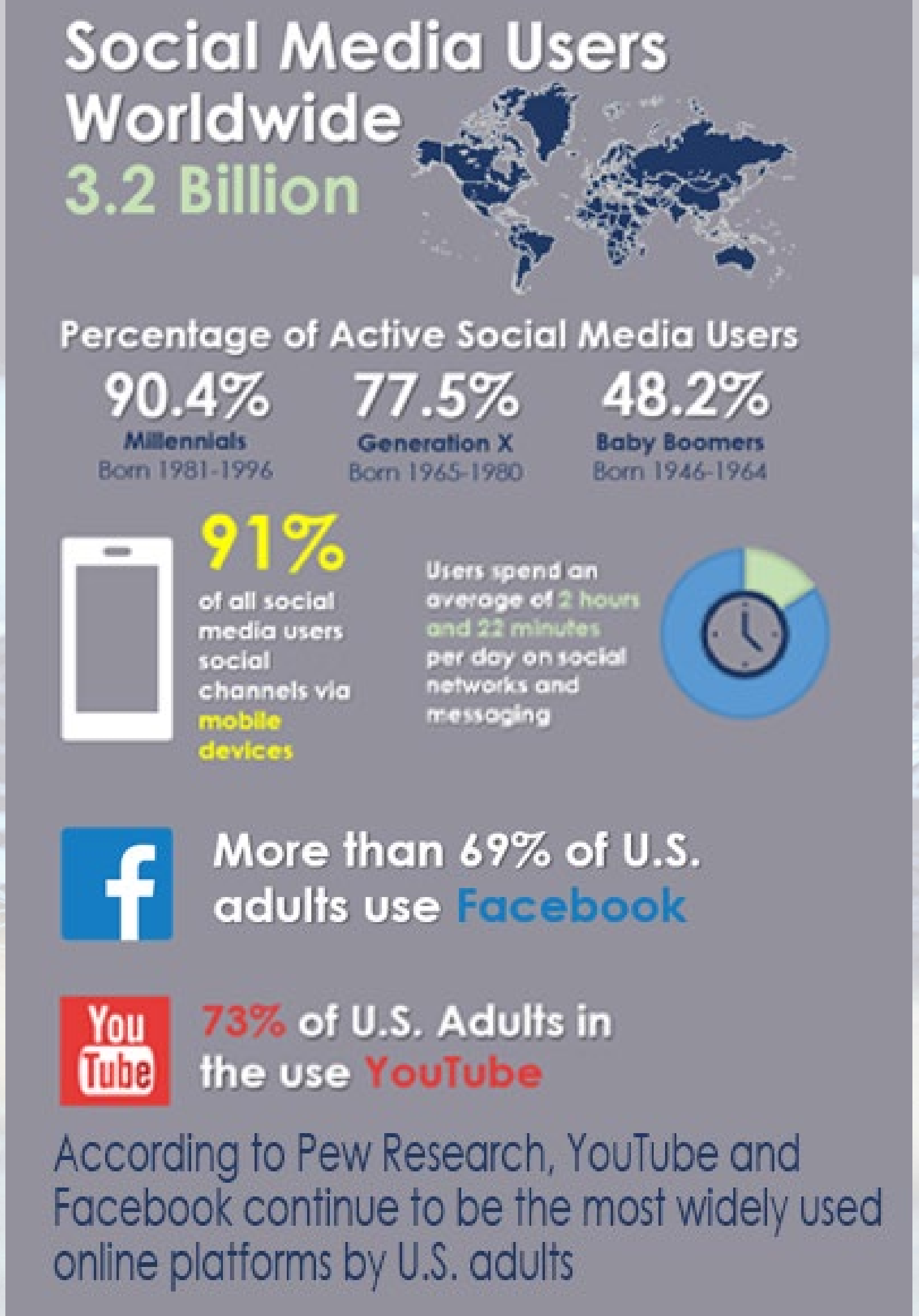
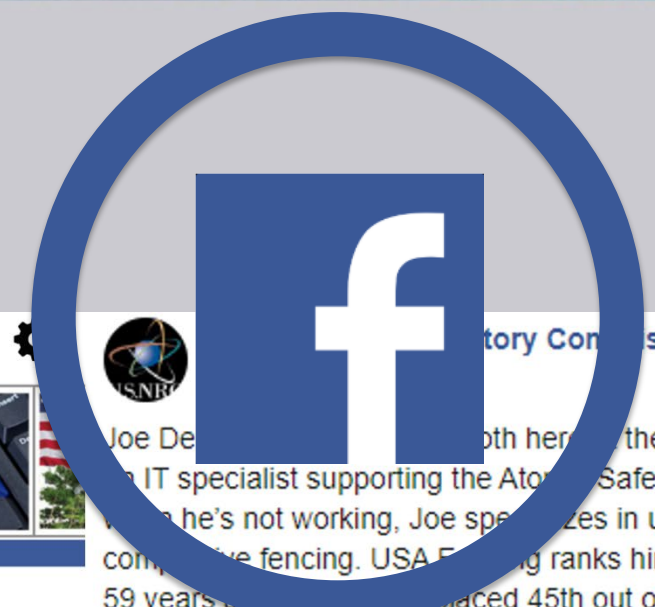
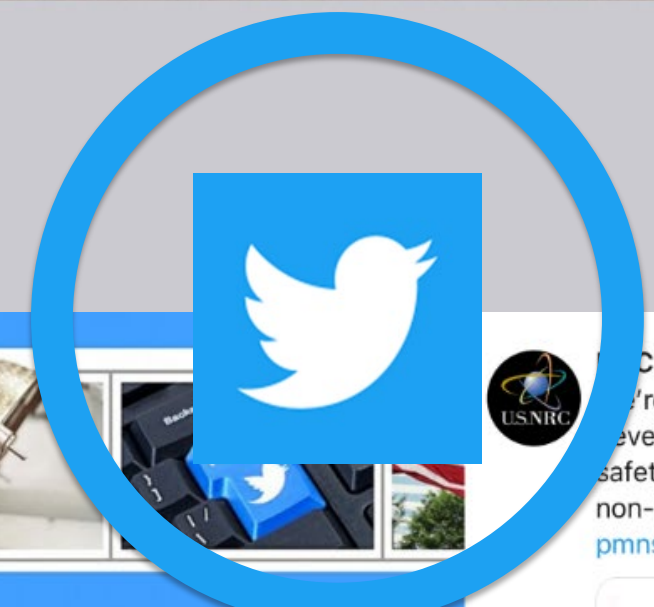
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Social Media

OPA uses social media to communicate directly with the public and as a way to hear NRC stakeholders.





Crisis Communication

OPA develops and implements strategies that allow the NRC to provide up-to-date, accurate information in an emergency.



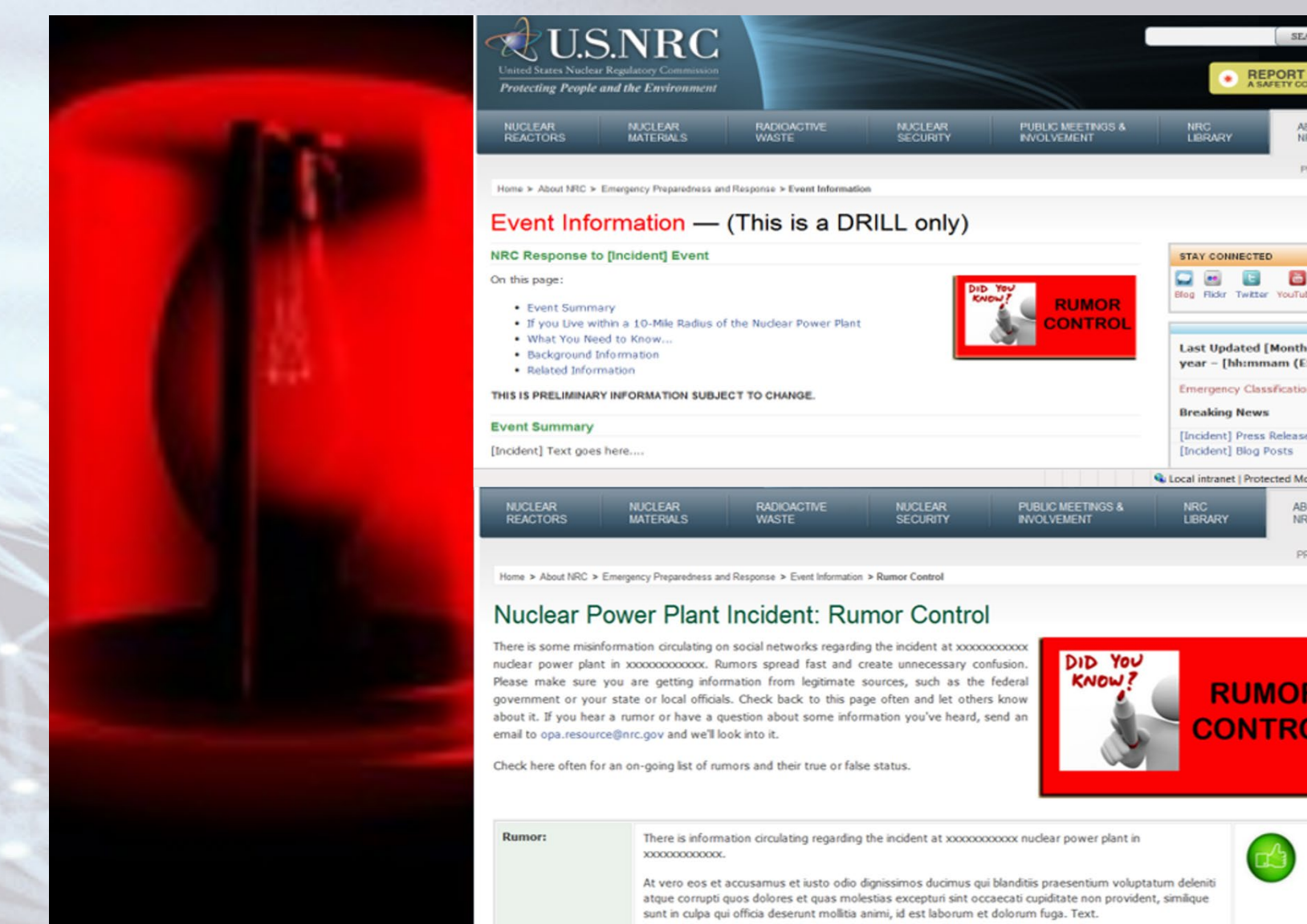
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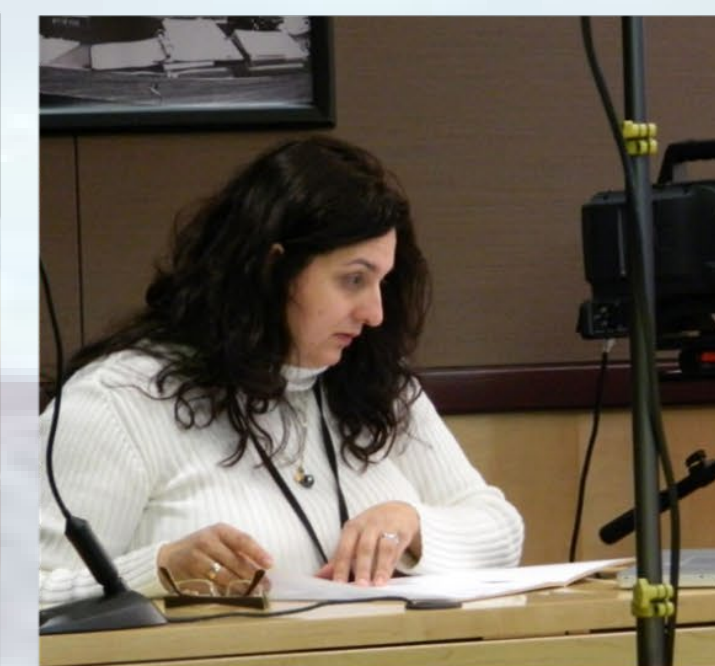
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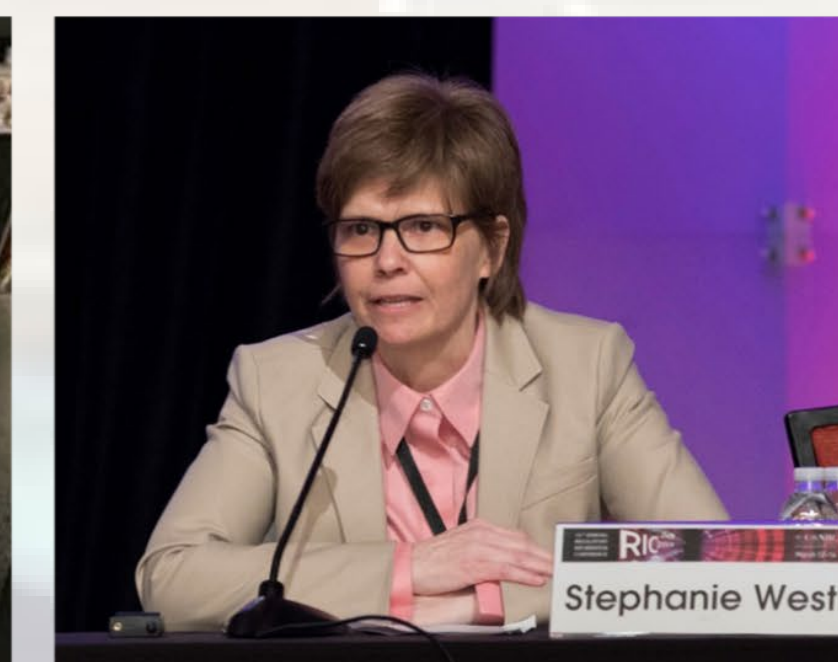
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