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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE
WASHINGTON, DC 20555 - 0001

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AGENDA
149th ACNW MEETING
APRIL 20-22, 2004

**TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2004, CONFERENCE ROOM T- 2B3, TWO WHITE FLINT NORTH,
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND**

- 1) 1:00 - 1:10 P.M. Opening Remarks by the ACNW Chairman (Open) (BJG/JTL)
 - 1.1) Opening Statement (BJG/JTL/HJL)
 - 2.1) Items of Current Interest (BJG/HJL)
- 2) 1:10 - 2:40 P.M. Update on West Valley and Performance Assessment (PA) Plans (Open) (MTR/RKM)
Briefing by and discussion with the NRC staff on the West Valley Demonstration Project and its Performance Assessment plans.

2:40 - 2:55 P.M. *BREAK*****

- 3) 2:55 - 4:30 P.M. Risk-Informed Regulation for NMSS Activities (Open) (MTR/NMC)
Briefing by and discussions with representatives of the NRC NMSS Risk Task Group regarding the current status of incorporating risk-informed regulations in NMSS activities.

4:30 - 4:45 P.M. *BREAK*****

- 4) 4:45 - 6:00 P.M. Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open) (MTR/All)
The Committee will discuss potential reports on:
 - 4.1) West Valley Performance Assessment Plans (BJG/RKM) (tentative)
 - 4.2) Risk-Informed Regulation for NMSS Activities (BJG/NMC)
 - 4.3) Biosphere Working Group (MTR/MPL)
 - 4.4) Public Interactions during November 2003 Nevada Field Trip (BJG/MPL) (tentative)
 - 4.5) ACNW Annual Report on Waste Management Related Research (RFW/MTR/RPS)

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2004, CONFERENCE ROOM T-2B3, TWO WHITE FLINT
NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND**

- 5) 8:30 - 8:40 A.M. Opening Statement (Open) (BJG/JTL)
The Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of today's sessions.

- 6) 8:40 - 10:00 A.M. EPA, 40 CFR Chapter 1, Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking "Approaches to an Integrated Framework for Management and Disposal of Low-Activity Radioactive Waste" (Open) (MTR/HJL)
The Committee will hear an information briefing by a representative of the EPA on its proposed ANPR which discusses alternatives for the disposal of waste containing low concentrations of radioactive material.

10:00 - 10:15 A.M. *BREAK*****

- 7) 10:15 - 11:15 A.M. Update on Risk Insights (Open) (BJG/MPL)
Briefing by and discussion with the NRC staff on the recently published HLW Risk Insights Report.
- 8) 11:15 - 12:15 P.M. DOE Schedule for Responses to Key Technical Issue Agreements (Open) (GMH/NMC)
Briefing by and discussion with a DOE representative on their amended timetable for responding to the 293 KTI agreements.

12:15 - 2:00 P.M. *LUNCH*****

- 9) 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. DWM Evaluation of DOE Bundling Approach (Open) (GMH/NMC)
Briefing by and discussions with representatives of the NRC staff on its evaluation of the DOE Bundling Approach. It is anticipated that the Biosphere bundle will be used as a representative sample.

4:00 - 4:15 P.M. *BREAK*****

- 10) 4:15 - 6:00 P.M. Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open) (MTR/All)
The Committee will continue its discussion of potential reports:
- 10.1) Risk Insights Report (BJG/MPL)
 - 10.2) Report on DWM Evaluation of DOE Bundling Approach (GMH/NMC) (tentative)
 - 10.3) Risk-Informed Regulation for NMSS Activities (BJG/NMC)
 - 10.4) Public Interactions during November 2003 Nevada Field Trip (BJG/MPL) (tentative)
 - 10.5) Biosphere Working Group (MTR/MPL)
 - 10.6) West Valley Performance Assessment Plans (BJG/RKM) (tentative)
 - 10.7) ACNW Annual Report on Waste Management Related Research (RFW/MTR/RPS)

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2004, CONFERENCE ROOM T-2B3, TWO WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

- 11) 8:30 - 8:35 A.M. Opening Statement (Open) (BJG/JTL)
The Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of today's sessions.
- 12) 8:35 - 12:00 Noon Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open) (BJG/All)
The Committee will continue its discussion of the proposed ACNW letter reports listed under Item 10.

- 13) 12:00 - 12:15 P.M. Miscellaneous (Open)
The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.
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NOTE:

- Presentation time should not exceed 50 percent of the total time allocated for a specific item. The remaining 50 percent of the time is reserved for discussion.
- **Thirty-Five (35) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy of the presentation materials should be provided to the ACNW.**
- ACNW meeting schedules are subject to change. Presentations may be canceled or rescheduled to another day. If such a change would result in significant inconvenience or hardship, be sure to verify the schedule with Mr. Howard Larson at 301-415-6805 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting.