

## INFORMATION REPORT

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\*No input this week.

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)  
Items of Interest  
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Wireless Communications Technology in the Nuclear Industry Meeting

On March 25, 2010, the staff participated in a meeting to discuss the use of wireless communications technology in the nuclear industry at the Congressional Visitors Center in Washington, DC. Several industries and government agencies were represented at the meeting. National Aeronautics and Space Administration and U.S. Department of Energy Savannah River project representatives made presentations on projects that have been implemented using this technology. General Electric also reported on a pilot project that used wireless technology in a turbine control system implementation. Though no applications have yet been received by the NRC for safety related applications using wireless technology, it is evident that the technology has advanced significantly in recent years and is now being implemented in several safety significant systems. The Office of Research currently has plans to develop guidance in this area in anticipation of future use of this technology.

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ENCLOSURE A

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)  
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Meeting with NAC International

On March 25, 2010, staff met with representatives from NAC International to discuss an upcoming new application for its new proprietary design for the Model No. MAGNATRAN transportation package and its associated upcoming proprietary amendment request for the Model No. MAGNASTOR storage cask. The amendment request is expected to be submitted by September 2010. The application schedule for the MAGNATRAN package is still uncertain.

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ENCLOSURE C

Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME)  
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Training Provided to Texas Staff and Utah Staff on Screening Analysis

On March 25-26, 2010, NRC staff conducted a meeting with staff from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the Utah Division of Radiation Control in Austin, Texas, regarding the screening analysis described in Commission Paper SECY-08-0147 for disposal of significant quantities of depleted uranium. Staff described the modeling approaches used in the screening analysis and discussed modeling approaches using the GoldSim computer code for assessing the performance of a low-level radioactive waste disposal site.

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ENCLOSURE D

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)  
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Interagency Committee on Standards Policy (ICSP) Meeting

On March 24, 2010, the ICSP held a quarterly meeting attended by the NRC Standards Executive and a RES staff member. ICSP members summarized recent coordination on such topics as smart electrical grid standards, health care information technology, and nuclear energy-related standards. The ICSP chairperson announced formation of a new Subcommittee on Standards under the National Science and Technology Council's Committee on Technology to be co-chaired by the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the U.S. Department of Justice. The Subcommittee on Standards will provide direction and guidance to the ICSP and will rely on the ICSP to coordinate interagency implementation of standards policy, assess progress, and develop potential policy options or guidance with the goal of removing barriers to effective standards development or use.

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ENCLOSURE E

Office of Information Services (OIS)  
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Office of Management and Budget Meeting on Open Government Plans

On March 31, 2010, staff participated in an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) cross agency Open Government Working Group meeting. The meeting was hosted by Cass Sunstein, Administrator, OMB's Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs. In addition to Federal agency representation, open government advocate groups, such as OMB Watch and the Sunshine Foundation participated. The objective of the meeting was to provide agencies additional feedback on reviews of agency draft open government plans by the open advocate groups as well as allowing OMB to provide additional guidance to agencies prior to the April 7, 2010, date by which all agency plans will be published. OMB had previously provided agencies copies of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's and NRC's draft plans as plans OMB felt had done a good job of achieving the intent of OMB's Directive on open government with regard to agency Open Government Plans.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of March 26, 2010, through April 1, 2010:

Allegation NRR-2000-A-0008 including all correspondence between named individual and NRC	FOIA/PA-2010-0179
Office of the Inspector General Case 09-14	FOIA/PA-2010-0180
NRC's Prohibited Personnel Practices requested information	FOIA/PA-2010-0181
Diablo Canyon, Units 1 and 2, Revision 9, updated Final Safety Analysis Report, Section 9 and Appendix 9.1 (or equivalent) regarding spent fuel rack design	FOIA/PA-2010-0182
Summaries of search warrants, subpoenas or court orders served against Google, Yahoo!, Microsoft, AOL, Facebook, Twitter, and MySpace annually for previous 10 years (summaries/statistics of number/nature)	FOIA/PA-2010-0183
ML082600086, ML082600092 and ML082900123 regarding MOX Fuel Project (in electronic format)	FOIA/PA-2010-0184
Allegation RIV-2008-A-0104 Interview Records	FOIA/PA-2010-0185
IPO-19302, Part 1, Section 5 – "IDO Report on the Nuclear Incident at the SL-1 Reactor on January 3, 1961, at the National Reactor Testing Station"	FOIA/PA-2010-0186
Declassification of specific cables	CON-2010-0003
Wolf Creek Nuclear Power Plant, Final Safety Analysis Report, Section 9 and Appendix 9.1	FOIA/PA-2010-0187

Office of Human Resources (HR)  
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<b>Arrivals</b>		
Flack, John	Consultant	ACRS
Mattox, Deborah	Purchasing Agent	RII
<b>Retirements</b>		
Harves, John	Team Leader	NRR
Meck, Robert	Senior Health Physicist	RES
Sands, Stephen	Project Manager	NRR
Windsor, Cheryl	Investigative Analyst	OIG
<b>Departures</b>		
Gibson, James	Student Electrical Engineer (Co-Op)	NRO
Liang, Chu-yu	Senior Reactor Engineer	NRO
Mckinley, Richard	Health Physicist	RI
Patel, Nitin	Senior Electrical Engineer	NRR
Payne, David	Branch Chief	RII
Snell, William	Health Physics Manager	RIII

Office of Public Affairs (OPA)  
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OPA Received Significant Media Inquiries on the Following:

Swearing in of two new Commissioners: William D. Magwood, IV and William C. Ostendorff.

Follow-up to Entergy responses given for the NRC's Demand for Information, specifically on the information provided by plant officials who were disciplined on information provided to the State of Vermont on underground/buried piping.

New Reactors, specifically Vogtle's application status and government funding.

Potential risk involving spent fuel storage at nuclear power plants.

Other Public Affairs Items

OPA supported the end-of-cycle meeting for Palo Verde nuclear plant near Phoenix, Arizona.

OPA coordinated interview with Chairman Jaczko and the Christian Science Monitor on the NRC process and schedule for the GE-Hitachi laser enrichment plant in Wilmington, North Carolina.

<b>Press Releases</b>	
<b>Headquarters:</b>	
10-055	NRC Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards to Meet April 8-10, 2010, in Rockville, Maryland. (3/30/10)
10-056	NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko Remarks at Today's Meeting on NRC Safety Culture Initiatives (3/30/10)
10-057	Licensing Board to Hear Oral Argument April 15, 2010, in Granbury, Texas, on Comanche Peak New Nuclear Reactor Application (3/31/10)
10-058	NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko Swears in Two New Commissioners; William D. Magwood IV and William C. Ostendorff Take Oaths (4/1/10)
<b>Regions:</b>	
I-10-012	NRC to Hold Public Meeting on April 6, 2010, in Salem, New Jersey to Discuss Annual Assessment of Salem, Hope Creek Nuclear Power Plants (3/30/10)
I-10-013	NRC to Hold Open House April 6, 2010, In Prince Frederick, Maryland, to Discuss Annual Assessment For Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant (3/31/10)
II-10-012	NRC Sends Special Inspection Team to Robinson Nuclear Plant (3/30/10)
II-10-013	NRC Schedules Meeting to Discuss 2009 Performance of Oconee Nuclear Power Plant (4/2/10)
II-10-014	NRC Names First Resident Inspectors for Vogtle Nuclear Plant Construction Activities (4/2/10)

Office of the Secretary (SECY)  
Items of Interest  
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
<b>Information Papers</b>		
1. SECY-10-0028	03/16/2010	Fiscal Year 2009 Results of the Industry Trends Program for Operating Power Reactors

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Congress, dated March 27, 2010, provides a copy of the NRC's FY 2009 Annual Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation (No FEAR) Act of 2002.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. 10 CFR Part 51, Docket No. PRM-51-13, Dan Kane; Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking.
2. Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, AREVA Enrichment Services, LLC (Eagle Rock Enrichment Facility), Docket No. 70-7015-ML.
3. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Radiation Protection and Nuclear Materials, Notice of Meeting 04/21/2010.
4. Notice of Opportunity to Request a Hearing for the License Application from International Isotopes Fluorine Products, Inc., for a Fluoride Extraction and Uranium Deconversion Facility in Lea County New Mexico and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information.
5. ACRS, Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Power Uprates, Amendment to April 23, 2010, ACRS meeting *Federal Register* Notice.