

# INFORMATION REPORT

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)  
Items of Interest  
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Public Meetings to Solicit Comments on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for the License Renewal of Hope Creek Generating Station and Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2

On November 17, 2010, the staff conducted two meetings in Woodstown, New Jersey, to solicit public comments on the Draft SEIS regarding the Hope Creek Generating Station and Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, license renewal reviews. Draft Supplement 45, issued October 21, 2010, is a site-specific supplement to the *Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants* (NUREG-1437). Approximately 40 people attended each meeting, including members of the public, site-owner representatives, and NRC staff. As part of the public outreach effort, the staff held an open house for one hour prior to the start of each meeting. The open house provided members of the public with an opportunity to talk informally with NRC staff. The public comment period ends on December 17, 2010. At the conclusion of the comment period, the staff will evaluate the comments received and revise the draft SEIS as appropriate. The final SEIS is scheduled to be published in March 2011.

NRR meeting with Boiling Water Reactor Owners Group (BWROG) on Sump Strainer Issues

On November 17, 2010, the staff met with the BWROG to discuss the industry's plans to address issues related to debris generation from a postulated Loss of Coolant Accident at BWRs. The BWRs addressed Emergency Core Cooling System suction strainer issues in the 1990s. However, in applying the lessons learned from GSI-191 for Pressurized Water Reactors, the staff and BWROG identified 12 technical issues that should be addressed for BWRs. This meeting covered latent debris, debris transport and erosion, and in-vessel effects. The BWROG is incorporating staff feedback prior to performing analysis and testing.

Public Meeting with Arizona Public Service Company (APS)

On November 18, 2010, a public meeting was held between representatives of APS and the staff regarding supplemental information needed by the staff to complete the acceptance review of the APS license amendment request to revise Technical Specification 3.7.4, "Atmospheric Dump Valves," for Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Units 1, 2, and 3.

Publicly Noticed Conference Call with Union Electric Company (UE)

On November 18, 2010, a publicly noticed conference call was held with representatives of UE and the staff regarding additional information requested by the staff to complete its review of the UE license amendment request to revise Technical Specification 3.3.2, "Engineered Safety Feature Actuation System (ESFAS) Instrumentation Functions," for Callaway Unit 1.

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)  
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Withdrawal of Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.39, "Housekeeping Requirements for Water-Cooled Nuclear Power Plants"

On November 16, 2010, RES staff published a *Federal Register* Notice (75 FR 70044) announcing the withdrawal of RG 1.39, "Housekeeping Requirements for Water-Cooled Nuclear Power Plants." This RG endorsed the American Nuclear Standards Institute (ANSI) standard N45.2.3-1973, "Housekeeping During the Construction Phase of Nuclear Power Plants" that provided a method acceptable to the NRC staff for complying with the quality assurance requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, "Quality Assurance Program Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants and Fuel Reprocessing Plants." RG 1.39 is no longer needed because the current revisions of RG 1.28, "Quality Assurance Program Requirements (Design and Construction)," and RG 1.33, "Quality Assurance Program Requirements (Operation)," endorse the newer ANSI/American Society of Mechanical Engineers standard NQA-1, "Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications," as an acceptable method of meeting the requirements of CFR part 50, Appendix B.

Office of Administration (ADM)  
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Notice of Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking

On November 23, 2010, NRC published a notice of receipt of a petition for rulemaking (75 FR 71368) in the *Federal Register* requesting NRC to amend its regulations in 10 CFR Part 26 to decrease the minimum days off requirement for security officers working 12-hour shifts from an average of 3 days per week to 2.5 or 2 days per week. The NRC is requesting public comments by February 7, 2011.

Administrative Support for Property Management Services

On November 23, 2010, as a result of a negotiated labor hour acquisition under the authority of Section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, a contract (NRC-HQ-C-10-0007) was awarded to CC&C Management Services of Bethesda, Maryland for Administrative Support for Property Management Services. The contractor will provide administrative support for a variety of property services such as filing reference materials, data entry in the Space and Property Management System, property inventories, and conference room inspections. The period of performance is December 1, 2010, through November 30, 2011, with three option years.

Office of Information Services (OIS)  
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of November 19, 2010, through November 24, 2010:

Agency directive on implementing President Obama's January 21, 2009, Executive Order on Open Government and Erick Holder's guidance on FOIA, guidance on fees, contracts on implementing the FOIA and billings for these contracts for 2008, 2009, and 2010	FOIA/PA-2011-0033
Information contained in named individual's file	FOIA/PA-2011-0034
Correspondence between NRC and named members of the U.S. House of Representatives between January 1, 2010, and present	FOIA/PA-2011-0035
Letter from Ameren Corp to NRC dated November 4, 2010, regarding 10 CFR 2.206 petition	FOIA/PA-2011-0036

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Office of Human Resources (HR)  
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<b>Arrivals</b>		
None		
<b>Retirements</b>		
None		
<b>Departures</b>		
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Office of Public Affairs (OPA)  
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OPA Received Significant Media Inquiries on the Following:

The license renewal hearing for Seabrook nuclear power plant (New Hampshire).

Other Public Affairs Items

OPA spoke with US News & World Report for the magazine's upcoming "Best Graduate Schools" edition regarding nuclear engineering workforce needs.

OPA did a recorded interview with WFCR on topics regarding Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant (Vermont).

<b>Press Releases Issued</b>	
<b>Headquarters:</b>	
<a href="#">10-210</a>	NRC Announces Opportunity to Participate in Hearing on Early Site Permit Application for Victoria County Site (11/23/10)
<a href="#">10-211</a>	NRC Approves Transfer of Control of Uranium Recovery Licenses to Russian Firm (11/24/10)
<a href="#">10-212</a>	NRC Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards to Meet December 2-4, 2010, in Rockville, Maryland (11/26/10)
<b>Regions:</b>	
<a href="#">I-10-047</a>	NRC Assigns New Resident Inspector to Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant (11/24/10)
<a href="#">II-10-080</a>	NRC Schedules Meeting to Discuss Restart of NFS Line (11/22/10)

Office of the Secretary (SECY)  
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Documents Released to Public	Date	Subject
<b>Decision Documents</b>		
1. <a href="#">Chairman Jaczko Vote and Comments on SECY-10-0106</a>	10/14/10	Proposed Rule—10 CFR Parts 2, 51, and 54 “Amendments to Adjudicatory Process Rules and Related Requirements” (RIN 3150-A143)
2. <a href="#">Chairman Jaczko Vote and Comments on SECY-10-0113</a>	11/02/10	Closure Options for Generic Safety Issue-191, Assessment of Debris Accumulation on Pressurized Water Reactor Sump Performance
3. <a href="#">Chairman Jaczko Vote and Comments on SECY-10-0137</a>	11/22/10	Proposed Rule: Requirements for Access Authorization and Physical Protection During Nuclear Power Plant Construction (RIN 3150-A165)

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Congressman Jim Matheson, dated November 18, 2010, responds to letter regarding the blending of low-level radioactive waste.
2. Letter to the President and Congress, dated November 15, 2010, transmitting NRC’s Fiscal Year 2010 Performance and Accountability Report.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Request for a License to Import Radioactive Waste, Applicant: EnergySolutions, Application No. IW029, Docket No. 11005896.
2. Request for a License to Export Radioactive Waste – Applicant: EnergySolutions, Application No. XW018, Docket No. 11005897.
3. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) revised meeting notice concerning the 578<sup>th</sup> meeting (12/02-04/2010).
4. ACRS, Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on AP1000, notice of meeting (12/15-16/2010).