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Guest/Conference Room Chairs

On August 25, 2011, as a result of a non-competitive acquisition under the General Services Administration Federal Supply Schedule, a fixed price Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) (NRC-HQ-11-A-10-0018) was awarded to JSJ Furniture Corporation of Middlebury, Indiana, to provide guest/conference room chairs for NRC headquarters. The period of performance is from September 01, 2011, through August 31, 2012, with four one-year option periods. The ceiling for the BPA is \$520,000.00, inclusive of all options.

Office of Human Resources (HR)
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Arrivals		
Goetz, Robert	SUPV. CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR (FOD)	OI
Lewis, Myrisha	LEGAL INTERN	OGC
Lighty, Ryan	LEGAL INTERN	OGC
Lindell, Joseph	LEGAL INTERN	OGC
Pearson, Alayna	FIRE PROTECTION ENGINEER	NRR
Skillman, Gordon	ACRS MEMBER	ACRS
Wachutka, Jeremy	LEGAL INTERN	OGC
Weil, Laura	ACMUI MEMBER	FSME
Woodall, Lauren	LEGAL INTERN	OGC
Retirements		
Hannan, Mark	CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR	OI
Departures		
Belding, Sean	STUDENT ENGINEER	R-III
Gupta, Abhinav	STRUCTURAL ENGINEER(VISITING FACULTY)	RES
Mcmurray, Nicholas	STUDENT ENGINEER (SUMMER)	R-II
Medley, Montia	STUDENT CLERK	NSIR
Oguledo, Richard	IT ASSISTANT (STEP)	OIS
Orr, Laura	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	R-II
Wu, Angela	STUDENT ENGINEER (CO-OP)	NRR

Office of Information Services (OIS)
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Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) Working Group Meeting

On August 24, 2011, staff attended a CUI Working Group meeting at the Office of the CUI Executive Agent (EA). This was the third of weekly meetings to take place until early October 2011, during which agencies will work to standardize for common use across the Federal government the numerous proposed CUI categories and sub-categories that the EA received from agencies in May 2011. At this meeting, the topic of discussion was the "Privacy" category and its proposed subcategories. The discussion centered around whether two categories, "Privacy" and "Personally Identifiable Information," were sufficient for all government information of this nature, or whether it was necessary to have multiple subcategories. The EA will use the discussions and subsequent email input from agencies to further standardize and refine the "Privacy" category and subcategories. The next meeting, on September 1, 2011, will address the "Business Information" category and subcategories, which will include proprietary information.

Council of Agency Paperwork Reduction Act Officers Monthly Meeting

On August 25, 2011, staff from the Information and Records Services Division, OIS, attended a meeting convened by the Council of Agency Paperwork Reduction Act Officers at the Treasury Department. Agenda item included a live demonstration of the Paperwork Reduction Act Comments website, www.pracomment.gov, which allows the public to submit comments on agency information collection activities. The site was developed by Google apps, and representatives from Google were present to answer questions about the site. The Treasury Department currently uses this website.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of August 19, 2011, through August 25, 2011:

Reactor Operator License and Senior Reactor Operator License for named individual	FOIA/PA-2011-0329
NRC certification as Senior Reactor Operator – Simulator Instructor for named individual	FOIA/PA-2011-0328
Senior operating license for Seabrook and Maine Yankee, for named individual	FOIA/PA-2011-0327
Commissioner Kristine Svinicki, daily public schedule, 2008 to present	FOIA/PA-2011-0326
Documents that review or discuss the merits and/or disadvantages of iPads and/or similar pad/table computer devices for employee use	FOIA/PA-2011-0325
Fansteel Metals Division (V/R Wesson Division/Johnson Fire Proof Door Co./Knaus Motors) Lake County, Lake Bluff, Illinois, all records	FOIA/PA-2011-0324
Security clearance records on named individual	FOIA/PA-2011-0323

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Pre-licensing Meeting with South Texas Project (STP) Nuclear Operating Company

On August 22, 2011, representatives of the STP Nuclear Operating Company and staff met to discuss the licensee's proposed risk-informed approach for resolving Generic Safety Issue No. 191 (GSI-191), "Assessment of Debris Accumulation on Pressurized-Water Reactor (PWR) Sump Performance," regarding STP, Units 1 and 2. This is the fifth pre-licensing meeting where the licensee has discussed its proposed use of the criteria in Regulatory Guide 1.174, "An Approach for Using Probabilistic Risk Assessment in Risk-Informed Decisions on Plant-Specific Changes to the Licensing Basis," to resolve GSI-191 for STP.

Staff Issues Columbia Generating Station License Renewal Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) For Public Comment

On August 23, 2011, the staff issued for public comment the draft of NUREG-1437, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 47, Regarding Columbia Generating Station. This SEIS includes the staff's preliminary analysis that considers and weighs the environmental effects of the proposed action, the environmental impacts of alternatives to the proposed action, and mitigative measures available for reducing or avoiding adverse impacts. It also includes the staff's preliminary recommendation that the adverse environmental impacts of license renewal for Columbia Generating Station are not great enough to deny the option of license renewal for energy-planning decision-makers. The public comment period ends on November 16, 2011. The staff has scheduled public meetings near the plant on September 27, 2011, to present its analyses and accept public comments on the draft SEIS.

Fire Protection Meeting on National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 805 Frequently Asked Questions

On August 25, 2011, the staff held, via teleconferencing, a Category 2 public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute NFPA Standard 805 Task Force, other stakeholders, and the public, to discuss the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) related to licensees' adoption of NFPA 805. The staff began holding these monthly public meetings in July 2006.

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)
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Non-Destructive Evaluation (NDE) Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting

On August 23-25, 2011, RES hosted the bi-annual NDE TAG Meeting at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL). Over 30 staff members from NRR, RES, Regions I-IV, and PNNL discussed NDE-specific regulatory issues, emergent operational experience, regional topics, and regulatory research results relevant to regional inspectors and NRR. This meeting also provided an excellent opportunity for several new inspectors to gain experience from senior inspectors and staff. In addition to the meetings, PNNL provided tours of all of their NDE facilities as well as the Department of Energy Environmental Molecular Science Laboratory.

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

The Commission's Staff Requirements Memorandum on the Japan Task Force recommendations.

NRC's role and the status of Hurricane Irene preparations.

Virginia earthquake and the impact to nuclear reactors specifically North Anna nuclear power plant.

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA taped live television, radio, and newspaper interviews on the earthquake event and seismic issues at nuclear plants with WAMU, AP, Bloomberg, DowJones, Platts, Politico and Argus Media Reuters, LA Times, USAToday, NHK, the Wall Street Journal, Energy Daily, AOL.Government, Engineering News Record, Weekly Intelligence, Kyoto News, Japanese Network service, The Daily Cavalier (UVA student paper). In Region I, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, AP-NJ, Platts, the Riverhead (New York), the Asbury Park (New Jersey) Press, the Calvert County (Maryland) Times, SNL Energy, and The Day (of New London, Conn.) and many more.

OPA advised the reporters that the region's incident response centers were staffed and monitoring the storm and our affected regulated facilities all weekend. OPA issued a press release, blog, tweets on hurricane preparations, and forwarded the media request for power plant status reports over the weekend.

NRC launched its social media site on Twitter to help alert the public of real-time NRC news and information.

Press Releases Issued	
Headquarters:	
11-159	NRC Makes Preparations for Approach of Hurricane Irene; Dispatches Additional Inspectors to Nuclear Plants (08/26/2011)
ftr-08-25-11	**FOR THE RECORD** NRC CLARIFIES EARTHQUAKE MEASUREMENTS AND DESIGN CRITERIA (08/25/2011)
11-058	NRC to Release Preliminary Evaluations of Rulemaking Request Regarding Emergency Core Cooling Requirements(08/25/2011)
11-157	NRC Continues to Assess North Anna Nuclear Power Plant Following Virginia Earthquake (08/24/2011)
11-156	Follow NRC on Twitter (08/24/2011)
11-155	NRC Presenting at National Academy of Sciences Meeting August 29, 2011, on NRC-Sponsored Cancer Risk Study (08/24/2011)
11-154	NRC Seeks Comment on Draft Environmental Report for Columbia Nuclear Plant License Renewal; Meeting September 27, 2011 (08/24/2011)

11-153	NRC Monitoring Alert at North Anna Following Virginia Earthquake (08/23/2011)
11-152	NRC to Discuss Japan Task Force Recommendations August 31, 2011, in Rockville, Maryland. (08/23/2011)
Regions:	
I-11-029	NRC to Hold Predecisional Enforcement Conference with International Cyclotron, Inc.(08/25/2011)
II-11-051	NRC Names New Senior Resident Inspector at Summer Nuclear Power Plant (08/24/2011)
II-11-050	NRC Names New Senior Resident Inspector at North Anna Nuclear Power Plant (08/24/2011)
II-11-049	NRC Assigns Resident Inspector to Robinson Nuclear Power Plant (08/24/2011)
II-11-048	NRC Schedules Meeting in Atlanta to Discuss Upcoming Inspections at Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Plant(08/24/2011)
III-11-032	NRC Cites Perry Nuclear Plant for Issues Involving Radiological Controls (08/26/2011)
IV-11-038	NRC Issues Confirmatory Order to Entergy With Actions to Improve Quality Control and Employee Concerns Programs (08/25/2011)

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Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SECY-11-0105	08/04/2011	Proposed Minor Revision to Management Directive 5.12, "International Nuclear Event Scale Participation)
2. SECY-11-0107	08/04/2011	Final Rule: Requirements for Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Records Checks for Individuals Seeking Unescorted Access to Nonpower Reactors (Research or Test Reactors) (RIN 3150-AI25)
3. SRM on COMWDM-11-0001/COMWCO-11-0001	08/22/2011	Engagement of Stakeholders Regarding the Events in Japan
4. Chairman Jaczko vote on SECY-11-0105	08/17/2011	Proposed Minor Revision to Management Directive 5.12, "International Nuclear Event Scale Participation"
5. Chairman Jaczko vote and comments on SECY-11-0094	08/11/2011	Advantages and Disadvantages of Changing the Current Authentication Assurance Level (Level 4) of the National Source Tracking System
Information Papers		
1. SECY-11-0115	08/19/2011	Staff Statement in Support of the Uncontested Hearings for Issuance of Combined Licenses for the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station, Units 2 and 3 (Docket Nos. 52-027 and 52-028)
2. SECY-11-0112	08/26/2011	Staff Assessment of Selected Small Modular Reactor Issues Identified in SECY-10-0034

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Congress, dated August 19, 2011, responds and provides described actions planned in response to the recommendations identified in GAO-11-563 report, "Oversight of Underground Piping Systems Commensurate with Risk, but Proactive Measures Could Help Address Future Leaks."
2. Letter to Congressman Jason Altmire, et al., dated August 16, 2011, responds to letter concerning information related to interest in the rulemaking on design certification for the Westinghouse AP1000.
3. Letter to Congressman Edward Markey, dated August 15, 2011, responds to letter, and questions, regarding safety concerns with the AP1000 reactor design.

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Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Notice of Hearing, Docket Nos. 52-027-COL and 52-028-COL, South Carolina Public Service Authority (Also Referred to as Santee Cooper); Combined Licenses for Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station, Units 2 and 3.
2. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Subcommittee Meeting on Thermal Hydraulics Phenomena, notice of meeting (09/07/2011, a.m.).
3. NRC Request for a License to Import Radioactive Waste.