

# INFORMATION REPORT

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**Interpretations; Removal of Part 8, 10 CFR Part 8 (RIN 3150-AJ02; NRC-2011-0180)**

On April 11, 2012, the NRC published a final rule in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 21625) amending its regulations to remove its published General Counsel interpretations of various regulatory provisions. Those interpretations are largely obsolete, having been superseded by subsequent statutory and regulatory changes, and this part of the Commission's regulations is no longer necessary. The final rule is effective April 11, 2012.

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Office of Information Services (OIS)  
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Controlled Unclassified Information

On April 10, 2012, staff from the Information and Records Services Division attended a working group (WG) meeting at the Controlled Unclassified Information Office (CUIO), National Archives and Records Administration. The purpose of the meeting was to begin development of the dissemination policy for CUI. The WG had been discussing safeguarding policy and the CUIO advised that an informal safeguarding draft would be provided to agency CUI contacts very soon. It was determined that some CUI categories and sub-categories (C/SC) have specified dissemination requirements in law, regulation, or Government-wide policy while other C/SC had no specified dissemination other than that imposed by their agency. Development of the Federal-wide dissemination policy will need to consider these aspects. There was additional discussion about having three levels of dissemination, e.g., 1) no restriction on dissemination for authorized mission purposes; 2) restricted dissemination to persons authorized by name only; and 3) controlled dissemination based on the C/SC when not identifying a person by name. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting, which is tentatively scheduled for April 25, 2012.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of April 6, 2012- April 12, 2012:

All communication between NRC and Southern California Edison and between NRC and Congress regarding Steam Generator issues at San Onofre from January 2012 - April 8, 2012	FOIA/PA-2012-0192
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2 and 3, Steam Generator tubing inspection and test reports and records submitted by Southern California Edison to NRC since January 31, 2012	FOIA/PA-2012-0193
Draft Regulatory Guide DG-5022	FOIA/PA-2012-0194

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)  
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Meeting with Industry Representatives on the Buried Piping Integrity Initiative and Underground Piping and Tanks Initiative

On April 4, 2012, staff met with industry representatives – including Nuclear Energy Institute, Institute of Nuclear Power Operations, Electric Power Research Institute, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, National Association of Corrosion Engineers, and utility representatives – to discuss the industry's Buried Piping Integrity Initiative and Underground Piping and Tanks Initiative as part of an ongoing dialogue to understand how industry actions may affect the occurrence of degradation of buried and underground piping.

Staff Issues Columbia Generating Station License Renewal Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement

On April 6, 2012, the staff issued the final NUREG-1437, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 47, regarding Columbia Generating Station. This supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) includes the staff's 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 finding that the adverse environmental impacts of license renewal are not great enough to deny the option of license renewal for an additional 20 years of operation

Office of Public Affairs (OPA)  
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OPA received significant media Inquiries on the following:

San Onofre nuclear plant (CA) and the recent wear levels found on some tubes in both Unit 2 and Unit 3 steam generators.

Limerick nuclear plant's (PA) recent event that found slightly contaminated water flowing out of a manhole and into a creek, which feeds into the Schuylkill River.

Byron nuclear plant (IL) Special Inspection report.

The Seabrook nuclear plant (NH) public meeting scheduled at NRC headquarters to discuss concrete degradation identified at the plant and multiple requests for the meeting to take place in New Hampshire.

Calvert Cliffs nuclear plant's (MD) annual assessment meeting and recent violation issued about an apparently inattentive plant fire brigade member.

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following media interviews and events:

- OPA participated in the Robinson nuclear plant open house and annual assessment meeting in Hartsville (SC). OPA spoke to local/regional reporters for local newspapers and television stations.
- OPA coordinated an interview with the *Federal Times* and NRC staff about the Stock Act – the posting of financial disclosure and stock trading reports online.
- OPA facilitated an interview between a Climate Wire reporter and NRC staff regarding fracking, deep injection wells and concerns with inducing earthquakes.
- OPA worked with staff to provide the Omaha World Herald a list of NRC red findings previously issued.
- OPA participated in the Farley nuclear plant's (AL) annual assessment meeting and spoke with local reporters.

OPA issued blog posts:

- Taking a close look at SONGS.
- Palm-Sized Mini Nukes – For Real?

OPA issued YouTube Video:

- NRC Commission Briefing on Final Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear.

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<b>Press Releases</b>	
<b>Headquarters:</b>	
12-037	NRC Issues Final Environmental Impact Statement for Columbia Nuclear Plant License Renewal Application (4/11/2012).
12-036	Opening Remarks of NRC Chairman Gregory Jaczko at the Briefing on the Final Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future, April 10, 2012 (4/10/2012).
12-035	Online Registration Open for Fuel Cycle Information Exchange, June 12-13 in Rockville, Md. (4/9/2012).
<b>Regions:</b>	
I-12-017	NRC to Hold Open House on April 19 in Prince Frederick, Md., to Discuss Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Plant Annual Assessment (4/11/2012).
I-12-016	NRC to Discuss Millstone Nuclear Power Plant Annual Assessment at Open House, Meeting with Nuclear Energy Advisory Council (4/9/2012).
I-12-015	NRC to Hold Open House on April 18 in Limerick, Pa., to Discuss Limerick Nuclear Power Plant Annual Assessment (4/9/2012).
II-12-020	NRC Schedules Open House and Presentation to Discuss Annual Assessment of Sequoyah Nuclear Power Plant(4/12/2012).
II-12-019	NRC Schedules Meeting in Richland to Discuss Areva Fuel Facility (4/12/2012).
II-12-018	NRC Schedules Regulatory Conference to Discuss Apparent Violation at North Anna Nuclear Station (4/11/2012).
II-12-017	NRC Schedules Regulatory Conference to Discuss Apparent Violation At Surry Nuclear Station (4/11/2012).
II-12-016	NRC begins Special Inspection at Catawba Nuclear Power Plant.
II-12-015	NRC Cites Turkey Point Nuclear Plant for Violation of Requirements and Assesses \$140,000 Fine (4/10/2012).
III-12-013	NRC Schedules Public Meeting for April 19 to Discuss Clinton Nuclear Power Plant Performance in 2011 (4/12/2012).
IV-12-013	NRC Schedules Open House for April 26 to Discuss Grand Gulf Nuclear Power Plant 2011 Performance and NRC Oversight (4/13/2012).
IV-12-012	NRC Issues Fort Calhoun Station Inspection Finding of High Safety Significance (4/10/2012).

Office of the Secretary (SECY)  
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
<b>Decision Documents</b>		
1. <a href="#">SRM on SECY-12-0011</a>	4/9/12	Data Collection Regarding Patient Release
<a href="#">Commission Voting Record on SECY-12-0011</a>	4/9/12	(same)
2. <a href="#">SRM on SECY-11-0175</a>	4/12/12	Proposed Rule: Amendments to Material Control and Accounting Regulations (RIN 3150-A161)
3. <a href="#">Commission Voting Record on SECY-11-0175</a>	4/12/12	(same)
4. <a href="#">SECY-12-0046</a>	3/29/12	Options for Revising the Regulatory Approach to Ground Water Protection
5. <a href="#">SECY-12-0047</a>	3/28/12	Revisions to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Enforcement Policy
6. <a href="#">SECY-12-0053</a>	4/5/12	Recommendations on Regulatory Changes for Permanent Implant Brachytherapy Programs
<b>Information Papers</b>		
1. <a href="#">SECY-12-0054</a>	4/9/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending March 30, 2012
2. <a href="#">SECY-12-0057</a>	4/12/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending April 6, 2012
<b>Memoranda</b>		
1. <a href="#">M120403</a>	4/10/12	Staff Requirements – Annual Meeting with the Organization of Agreement States and the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Notice of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, Reconstitution, Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Indian Point Nuclear Generating Units 2 and 3).

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