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Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Specific Acquisition Training Program

On July 31, 2012, as a result of a non-competitive 8(a) solicitation, a hybrid firm fixed-price/labor hour contract (NRC-HQ-12-C-38-0070) was awarded to Hickory Ground Solutions, LLC. of Heathsville, VA. The contractor will provide training services to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Contracting Officer Representatives in order to satisfy NRC specific competencies associated with acquisitions. The period of performance is August 1, 2012, to July 31, 2013, with four 1-year optional periods. The cost is \$293,150, inclusive of all option periods.

Graphics Services – Office of the Chief Financial Officer Financial and Performance Reports

On August 3, 2012, as a result of a competitive U.S. General Services Administration Federal Supply Schedule solicitation, a firm fixed-price contract (NRC-HQ-12-F-09-0001) was awarded to Graphic Visions of Gaithersburg, MD. This contract will provide graphic services to produce the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's financial and performance reports. The period of performance is August 20, 2012, to August 19, 2013, with four 1-year optional periods. The total cost is \$244,960.49, inclusive of all options.

Access Authorization Fees; Correction; Correcting Amendments; 10 CFR Parts 11 and 25 (RIN 3150-AJ00; NRC-2011-0161)

On August 3, 2012, the NRC published in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 46257) a correcting amendment for the preamble, or statement of considerations, and codified text in a direct final rule that was published in the *Federal Register* on May 3, 2012 (77 FR 26149) and confirmed on June 22, 2012 (77 FR 37553). The direct final rule amended the NRC's access authorization fees charged to licensees for work performed under the Material Access Authorization Program and the Information Access Authority Program. This document is necessary to correct an e-mail address, a codification error, a misspelled abbreviation, and the authority citations. The correction is effective on August 3, 2012, and applicable to June 22, 2012, the date the original rule became effective.

Amendments to Adjudicatory Process Rules and Related Requirements; Final Rule; 10 CFR Parts 2, 12, 51, 54, and 61 (RIN 3150-AI43; NRC-2008-0415)

On August 3, 2012, the NRC published a final rule in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 46561) amending its adjudicatory rules of practice. This rule makes changes to the NRC's adjudicatory process that the NRC believes will promote fairness, efficiency, and openness in NRC adjudicatory proceedings. This rule also corrects errors and omissions that have been identified since the major revisions to the NRC's rules of practice in early 2004. This rule will be effective on September 4, 2012.

Office of Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
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Arrivals		
Bishop, Brad	PROJECT ENGINEER (RIDP)	R-II
Bollinger, Briana	REACTOR ENGINEER (NSPDP)	R-I
Conley, Maureen	PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER	PA
Dee, Sally	TECHNICAL TRAINING ADMIN SUPP ASST	OCHCO
Flanagan, James	DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INFORMATION SVCS	IS
Jackson, Diane	EXECUTIVE TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	EDO
Jones, Clinton	PROJECT ENGINEER (RIDP)	R-II
Mancuso, Joseph	REACTOR ENGINEER (NSPDP)	R-III
Patel, Jay	REACTOR OPS ENGINEER	NRO
Retirements		
Hicks, Beverly	HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST	R-III
Departures		
Brooks, James	STUDENT ENGINEER (SUMMER)	R-II
Calkin, Baruch	STUDENT ENGINEER	NSIR
Lindo-Talin, Sandra	MATERIALS ENGINEER	RES
Michel, Eric	STUDENT LAW CLERK	OGC
Payne, Robert	STUDENT ENGINEER (SUMMER)	R-II
Sabisch, Andrew	SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR (PWR/TL)	R-II
Sieracki, Diane	SAFETY CULTURE PROGRAM MANAGER	OE
Smith, Clint	STUDENT ENGINEER (CO-OP)	R-II
Young, Donrich	CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR	OI

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations (NRR)
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Update of the Reactor Oversight Program Website

On August 6, 2012, the NRC updated the Reactor Oversight Process Website with 2nd quarter 2012 assessment information. Since the last update, the Security Cornerstone was reintegrated into the Reactor Oversight Process assessment program in accordance with Commission direction. Therefore, this update incorporates findings and performance indicators from the Security Cornerstone. The information is available at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html>

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

The Commission Order on the Waste Confidence petitions

The possible cracked reactor vessel at a Belgian nuclear plant and what it may signify for US nuclear plants

The root cause of the shield building cracks and the status of Davis-Besse (OH) license renewal reviews and inspections

The NRC's role regarding severe weather including heat and droughts, and the impacts to nuclear plants

The issuance of a "White" inspection finding to the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant (NH) over an emergency exercise conducted in April

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

- NRC Chairman's interview with the New York Times and with a few science journals
- Facilitated editorial board meetings between Region 3 Administrator Chuck Casto and the Toledo Blade and the Cleveland Plain Dealer newspapers

OPA issued blog posts:

- Deciphering the Waste Confidence Order
- Getting settled in

Press Releases	
Headquarters:	
12-091	NRC, Federal Emergency Management Agency Seek Public Input in Updating Emergency Preparedness Guidance; Meeting Aug. 22 in Kansas City, MO. (8/7)
12-092	NRC Issues National Report for Convention on Nuclear Safety's Fukushima Meeting (8/10)
Regions:	
I-12-033	NRC Cites Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant for Inspection Finding of Low to Moderate Safety Significance (8/7)
III-12-033	NRC Schedules Public Meeting August 15 to Discuss Performance of Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (8/7)
III-12-034	NRC Schedules August 15 Public Meeting to Discuss Braidwood Nuclear Power Plant Performance and NRC Oversight (8/7)

Office of Information Services (OIS)
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of August 3, 2012- August 10, 2012:

OIG case 11-20, all records	FOIA/PA-2012-0293
Information on Jackpile Paguate Uranium Mine site and Bluewater Uranium Mill site, in New Mexico	FOIA/PA-2012-0294
Information on Awards and Bonuses awarded to employees from January 2006 to present, reason for award, amount and names	FOIA/PA-2012-0295
Information on Medical Technology Institute, Edison, NJ regarding Radioactive Materials (licensing and storage)	FOIA/PA-2012-0296

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Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SECY-12-0101	7/20/12	Issuance of Bulletin 2012-01, "Design Vulnerability in Electric Power System"
2. Commissioner Apostolakis' vote and comments on SECY-12-0064	8/3/12	Recommendations for Policy and Technical Direction to Revise Radiation Protection Regulations and Guidance
3. COMSECY-12-0014	7/9/12	Revised Schedule and Plans for Japan Lessons-Learned
4. SRM on COMSECY-12-0014	8/6/12	(Same)
5. Commission voting record on COMSECY-12-0014	8/6/12	(Same)
Information Papers		
1. SECY-12-0107	8/6/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending July 27, 2012
2. SECY-12-0103	7/24/12	Sixth Report on the Status of Reactivation of Construction and Licensing for Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Unit 2
Memoranda		
1. M120807A	8/7/12	Staff Requirements - Affirmation Session: I. SECY-12-0086 - Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Project, L.L.C. (Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 3), et al., Petition to Suspend Final Decisions on Reactor License Applications Pending Completion of Remanded Waste Confidence Proceeding (June 18, 2012)

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Senator Scott P. Brown, dated August 3, 2012, responds to letter regarding the Commission to maintain transparency during its evaluation of the application for a renewed operating license at Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station.

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2. Letter to Congress, dated July 30, 2012, responds and provides NRC response to recommendation contained in the Government Accountability Office (GAO) report entitled, "NRC: Natural Hazard Assessments Could Be More Risk-Informed" (GAO-12-465).
3. Letter to Senator Dianne Feinstein, dated July 30, 2012, responds to letter requesting explanation of how the NRC will address a recent GAO recommendation regarding risk analyses for nuclear plants.
4. Letter to Congressmen Edward Markey and William Keating, dated July 23, 2012, responds to letter regarding the twenty-year extension of Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station's operating license.
5. Letter to Congressman Edward Markey, dated July 23, 2012, responds to letter regarding an independent review of the agency's safety culture.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Revision, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Subcommittee Meeting on Reliability and Probabilistic Risk Assessment and Fukushima, notice of meeting (08/15/2012).