

INFORMATION REPORT

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For: The Commissioners

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Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
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Assessing Existing Analytical Tools and Develop Recommendations - Supporting the Office of Research

On July 26, 2012, as a result of a competitive solicitation, a cost-reimbursable contract (NRC-HQ-12-C-04-0066) was awarded to Regents of the University of California, University of California San Diego School of Medicine of La Jolla, CA. The contract is for assessing existing analytical tools and developing recommendations on their appropriate use for calculating soil pressures and structural response of partially to fully embedded nuclear power plants under seismic loading conditions. The period of performance for this contract is July 27, 2012, to June 30, 2014, with one 2-year option period. The total cost of this contract is \$1,056,687, inclusive of the option period.

Workshop on Performance Assessments of Near-Surface Disposal Facilities; Features, Events, Processes Analysis, Scenario and Conceptual Model Development, and Code Selection; Public Meeting; 10 CFR Part 61 (RIN-3150-AI92; NRC-2011-0012)

On August 13, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission published a document in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 48107) announcing plans to conduct a public workshop on performance assessments of near-surface low-level radioactive waste (LLW) disposal facilities. The workshop has been developed to facilitate communication among Federal and state agencies, industry representatives, contractors, and members of the public on three aspects of a performance assessment: (1) features, events, and processes analysis; (2) the development of scenarios and conceptual models; and (3) the selection of computer codes. Information gathered from invited subject matter experts, stakeholders, and other interested members of the public will be used to improve guidance on performance assessments for near-surface disposal of LLW. The workshop will be held on August 29, 2012 and August 30, 2012, in Rockville, MD.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
 Items of Interest
 Week Ending August 17, 2012

Arrivals		
None		
Retirements		
None		
Departures		
Adams, Charles	STUDENT ENGINEER	NSIR
Akleman, Cem	STUDENT LAW CLERK	OGC
Batson, Thomas	STUDENT ENGINEER	R-II
Berger, Shannon	STUDENT ENGINEER	NRR
Carrico, Erica	STUDENT ENGINEER	R-IV
Eastman, David	STUDENT ENGINEER	RES
Frame, Theresa	STUDENT LAW CLERK	OGC
Popova, Alexandra	STUDENT ENGINEER	NRR
Salgado, Nancy	BRANCH CHIEF	NRR

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

The recent letter from Rep. Dennis Kucinich and NRC statements made about the root cause of the shield building cracks and the status of Davis-Besse (OH) license renewal reviews and inspections

The recent international meeting regarding puzzling inspection results at a Belgium nuclear plant and what it may signify for US nuclear plants

The ongoing special inspection at the Palisades (MI.) nuclear plant

The NRC's role regarding severe weather including heat and droughts, and the impacts to nuclear plants, specifically Milestone (CT) nuclear plant

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

- NRC Chairman's press round table with 25 reporters at the National Press Club in an event organized by The Energy Daily. The event was broadcast live by C-Span.

OPA issued blog posts:

- An Update of NRC Oversight at Browns Ferry
- Who Sets National Nuclear Energy Policy?

Press Releases	
Regions:	
II-12-051	NRC Issues Violation For Inspection Finding of Low to Moderate Safety Significance at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (8/14)
II-12-052	NRC Schedules Regulatory and Enforcement Conference to Discuss Apparent Violations at Harris Nuclear Plant (8/16)
III-12-035	NRC Begins Special Inspection at Palisades Nuclear Plant (8/15)
IV-12-029	NRC Issues Confirmatory Order to Quality Inspection and Testing Agreement is Reached Under Alternative Dispute Resolution (8/14)
IV-12-030	NRC to Hold Predecisional Enforcement Conference with Colaska (8/17)

Office of the Information Systems (OIS)
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Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI)

On August 9, 2012, staff from the Information and Records Services Division attended a working group meeting at the Controlled Unclassified Information Office (CUIO), National Archives and Records Administration. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Version 2 of the draft Safeguarding policy and discuss Version 2 of the draft Dissemination policy. Additionally, the CUIO staff presented its analysis of the agency data call results for recommended Decontrol policy, and introduced preliminary information regarding proposed Marking policy. Additional discussion took place regarding requests from the Department of Energy for CUI policy regarding Cloud Computing and from the Office of the Director for National Intelligence for policy regarding what metadata fields should be required for CUI documents. The next CUI Working Group meeting will take place on August 23, 2012.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of August 13, 2012- August 17, 2012:

Review of Conference Costs/Spreadsheets showing detailed spending, during the past 5 years as well as exceeding \$100,000. Also, Inspector General investigative reports and records signed by Chairman Darrell Issa.	FOIA/PA-2012-0297
All correspondence between Annie Caputo and the NRC from January 1, 2011 through August 8,2012	FOIA/PA-2012-0298
Correspondence to/from Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan or his staff from January 03,1999 to present	FOIA/PA-2012-0299
All agency records after Dec 31, 2010 related to Draft Materials License Number SUA-1600 issued to Powertech (USA) Inc. for the Dewey-Burdock (South Dakota) Project)	FOIA/PA-2012-0300
Manufacturers/suppliers certified under 10 CFR 50 Appendix B Quality Assurance Program	FOIA/PA-2012-0301
Office of Inspector General report/investigation related to alleged Callaway subcriticality event	FOIA/PA-2012-0302
All communications between NRC and Representative W. Todd Akin, January 2001-August 9,2012	FOIA/PA-2012-0303

Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SRM on SECY-12-0053	8/13/12	Recommendations on Regulatory changes for Permanent Implant Brachytherapy Programs
2. Commission voting record on SECY-12-0053	8/13/12	(Same)
3. SRM on SECY-12-0076	8/15/12	Plan for Retrospective Analysis of Existing Rules
4. Commission voting record on SECY-12-0076	8/15/12	(Same)
Information Papers		
1. SECY-12-0105	7/31/12	Summary of Activities Related to the Generic Issues Program
2. SECY-12-0109	8/14/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending August 3, 2012
3. SECY-12-0111	8/16/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending August 10, 2012
Memoranda		
1. M120710	8/17/12	Staff Requirements – Strategic Programmatic Overview of the Operating Reactors Business Line, 9:30 A.M., Tuesday, July 10, 2012, Commissioners' Conference Room, One White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

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).