

INFORMATION REPORT

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For: The Commissioners

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Office of Administration (ADM)
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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer Education Grants – Faculty Development, University Scholarships and Community College & Trade School Scholarships

On Friday, August 31, 2012, the Office of Administration awarded 11 grants to higher educational institutions across the United States. The grants range in value from \$103,000 to \$450,000 for a total of \$2,569,042. These grants will provide support for Faculty Development, University Scholarship and Community College & Trade School Scholarship programs at the various education entities. The period of performance will start August 31, 2012, and depending on type of grant, will last from 1 to 3 years.

Support Services for Procurement Function Transition and Centralization

On August 23, 2012, as a result of a non-competitive 8(a) solicitation, a firm-fixed-priced contract (NRC-HQ-12-C-10-0096) was awarded to Centeva, LLC. of South Jordan, UT. The contract will provide management consulting services in support of the upcoming procurement function transition and centralization. The period of performance is September 1, 2012, to March 31, 2013, with two 1-year option periods. The total estimated cost is \$673,405.67, inclusive of all options.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
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Arrivals		
None		
Retirements		
Qualls, Phillip	REACTOR INSPECTOR	NRR
Departures		
Anstine, Scott	IT SPECIALIST (SYSANALYSIS)	IS
Graser, Daniel	LICENSING SUPPORT NETWORK ADMIN	ASLBP
Trifiletti, Brenda	SECRETARY (OA)	R-IV

Office of the Information Systems (OIS)
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of August 24, 2012- August 30, 2012:

All final documents related to Office Of Investigations (OI) 2-2011-042, including documents submitted by Shaw Nuclear Services	FOIA/PA-2012-0308
NRC's Media Policies and supportive materials, employees' complaints or suggestions, protocols	FOA/PA-2012-0309
Investigative file including the report for OI case 1-2011-053	FOIA/PA-2012-0310
Records regarding steam generator replacement at San Onofre from July 24, 2012- Aug 29. 2012	FOIA/PA 2012-0311

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Workshop on Nuclear Power Plant Simulator Training

From August 21-23, 2012, staff attended the Joint International Atomic Energy Agency - Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission "Workshop on Regulatory Activities Associated with Nuclear Power Plant Full-Scope Simulator Training and Testing" in Ajax, Ontario, Canada. Discussions included shared best practices and challenges including: training and certification for severe accident management, knowledge transfer in the licensee and regulator organizations, simulator fidelity and its effect on training, use of multiple choice questions, compliance enforcement and quality assurance for initial certification and requalification programs, and licensee performance indicators related to operator licensing/certification. The workshop was held concurrently with a meeting of the Canadian Deuterium-Natural Uranium Reactor Owners' Group and participants had the opportunity to tour the Darlington Nuclear Power Plant simulation and training facility.

Lessons Learned from Generic Safety Issue-191

On August 23, 2012, staff met with the Boiling Water Reactor Owners' Group (BWROG) to discuss their efforts to address the lessons learned from Generic Safety Issue 191 as they relate to the assessments of debris accumulation that were performed for boiling water reactors (BWRs) in the 1990s. The BWROG's overall schedule has slipped approximately two years from their original estimates, with the final updated guidance scheduled for May 2016. The staff asked whether additional measures could be implemented at BWRs in the interim to mitigate the potential for strainer blockage or in-vessel effects, similar to the measures being adopted at pressurized water reactors. The BWROG agreed to provide by December 2012 information on mitigative measures.

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

- The NRC's role regarding severe weather including hurricane preparedness specifically at the River Bend and Waterford, (LA) nuclear plants, and the NRC response to Hurricane Isaac
- The recent Atomic Safety and Licensing Board decisions on the Calvert Cliffs new reactor application
- The ongoing special inspection at the Palisades (MI) nuclear plant
- The NRC independent spent fuel storage installations and relicensing process

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

- OPA facilitated a three hour onsite interview with an AP Los Angeles bureau reporter and Resident Inspectors retracing their steps when they responded to the steam generator tube leak at Unit 3.
- OPA participated with regional staff in community outreach event in Orange County where 200 individuals visited the NRC booth and answered questions.

OPA Social Media items:

Blog:

- Expanding Public Outreach in California
- The Calvert Cliffs Decision – What's Next?
- NRC Watching Isaac — Weekend Update
- Keeping Cool: Record Temperatures and Nuclear Safety

Press Releases	
Headquarters:	
12-096	NRC, Federal Emergency Management Agency Seek Public Input in Updating Emergency Preparedness Guidance; Meeting Sept. 13 in Rockville, Md. (8/30)
12-097	NRC Finalizes Guidance Documents for Post-Fukushima Requirements (8/31)
Regions:	
I-12-034	NRC Assigns New Resident Inspector to Seabrook Nuclear Plant (8/30)
II-12-055	NRC Names New Senior Resident Inspector at Brunswick Nuclear Power Plant (8/30)
IV-12-033	NRC Preparing for Approach of Tropical Storm Isaac (8/28)
IV-12-034	NRC Enters Monitoring Mode in Advance of Hurricane Isaac (8/28)

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Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SRM on SECY-11-0163	8/30/12	Reprocessing Rulemaking: Draft Regulatory Basis and Path Forward
2. Commission Voting Record on SECY-11-0163	8/30/12	(Same)
Memoranda		
1. M120807B	8/24/2012	Staff Requirements – Briefing on the Status of Lessons Learned from the Fukushima Dai-Ichi Accident, 9:00 A.M., Tuesday, August 7, 2012, Commissioners' Conference Room, One White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Senator Robert Menendez, dated August 24, 2012, responds to his letter regarding the safety of our aging nuclear power plants with focus on Oyster Creek.
2. Letter to Senator Robert Menendez, dated August 24, 2012, responds to his letter regarding the installation of filtered containment vents.
3. Letter to Representative Frelinghuysen, dated August 22, 2012, provides NRC's report on Advanced Reactor Licensing.
4. Letter to Representative Howard Berman, dated August 22, 2012, responds to his White House Referral concerning the safety of the 23 Mark I Boiling Water Reactors currently operating in the United States.