

INFORMATION REPORT

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For: The Commissioners

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Subject: WEEKLY INFORMATION REPORT - WEEK ENDING
MAY 17, 2013

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Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
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Piping Integrity Analyses II

On May 15, 2013, as a result of a competitive U.S. General Services Administration Federal Supply Schedule solicitation, the NRC awarded a Labor Hour/Time and Materials delivery order (NRC-HQ-13-F-04-0001) to Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbus, OH. This delivery order will provide professional engineering services in support of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research's "Piping Integrity Analyses II" requirement. The period of performance is from May 15, 2013, to May 14, 2015. The total value of the contract is \$807,186.

Revisions to Transportation Safety Requirements and Harmonization with International Atomic Energy Agency Transportation Requirements; Establishing Quality Assurance Programs for Packaging Used in Transport of Radioactive Material; Proposed Rule; 10 CFR Part 71 (RIN 3150-A111; NRC-2008-0198; NRC-2013-0082)

On May 16, 2013, the NRC, in consultation with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), published a proposed rule in the *Federal Register* ([78 FR 28988](#)) that proposes to amend its regulations for the packaging and transportation of radioactive material. The amendments would make the NRC's regulations conform to revisions to the International Atomic Energy Agency's regulations for the international transportation of radioactive material and maintain consistency with DOT regulations. The parallel DOT proposed rulemaking was published in the *Federal Register* on August 12, 2011, ([76 FR 50332](#)). The comment period on the proposed rule closes on July 30, 2013, and the comment period on the information collections aspect of the proposed rule closes on June 17, 2013. In the same issue of the *Federal Register*, the NRC published a document ([78 FR 29016](#)) requesting public comment on draft regulatory guide DG-7009, "Establishing Quality Assurance Programs for Packaging Used in Transport of Radioactive Material." This draft regulatory guide describes a proposed method that the NRC staff considers acceptable for use in complying with the aforementioned proposed rule. The comment period on DG-7009 closes on July 30, 2013.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
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Arrivals		
ALLEN, CATHERINE	CYBER SECURITY SPECIALIST	NSIR
ALLEN, SABRINA	PARALEGAL SPECIALIST	OGC
BECK, COLIN	STUDENT CYBER SECURITY ASSISTANT	NSIR
BHATIA, DIA	STUDENT MANAGEMENT ANALYST	OIG
BOSTON, BRENT	REACTOR ENGINEER	R-III
BRENNAN, RYAN	STUDENT TECHNICAL WRITER	ADM
CHEUNG, JENNY	STUDENT MANAGEMENT ANALYST	OIG
DEWEESE, RANDLE	STUDENT IT ASSISTANT	CSO
DIAZ COLON, MARIOLY	GENERAL ENGINEER NSPDP	NRR
GILLIS, HANNAH	STUDENT TRAINEE ENGINEERING	R-I
GRIFFEN, ANNESSA	STUDENT ENGINEER	NRR
GRIMAN, BRIAN	STUDENT ENGINEER SUMMER	R-II
GUSACK, GEORGE	STUDENT MANAGEMENT ANALYST	OIG
HANKS, PATRICK	CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR (SCERS)	OIG
HARRIS, NICHOLAS	IT SPECIALIST	IS
HOELLMAN, JORDAN	STUDENT ENGINEER SUMMER	R-II
JENKINS, CLARENCE	BUSINESS PROCESS IMPROVEMENT SPECIALIST	CFO
KHEIRANDISH, PEDROM	STUDENT ENGINEER	ADM
KOONTZ, NICHOLAS	PARALEGAL SPECIALIST	OGC
LOH, SARAH	STUDENT ENGINEER	NSIR
MACFEE, WILLIAM	STUDENT ENGINEER	NRR
MATTIOLI, KARA	STUDENT ENGINEER	NSIR
MCCARY, KELLY	SUMMER ENGINEER	NSIR
MCCRAY, MATTHEW	STUDENT LAW CLERK	OGC
MCKOWN, LOUIS	PROJECT ENGINEER RES INSP PROG	R-I
MEYEN, ARNOLD	PHYSICAL SECURITY INSPECTOR	R-IV
MITCHELL, ELIZA	STUDENT ENGINEER	OCHCO
REVINZON, REGINA	STUDENT MANAGEMENT ANALYST	OIG
STRAUS, DANIEL	STUDENT LAW CLERK	OGC
THOMAS, AARON	STUDENT ENGINEER	NRO
TODD, DARRELL	PROGRAM ANALYST	IS
VALLE, RICHARD	STUDENT ENGINEER	NRR
Retirements		
None		
Departures		
FARRAR, KARL	REGIONAL ATTORNEY	R-I
FERRER, NATHANIEL	PROJECT MANAGER	NRR

HEHER, ELAINE	CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	R-II
SUBBARATNAM, RAMACHANDRAN	PROJECT MANAGER	NRO
TAYLOR, PETER	IT SPECIALIST	R-IV

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Office of Information Services (OIS)
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of May 10, 2013 – May 16, 2013:

Any documents associated with named allegations	FOIA/PA-2013-0241
Records for all companies allowed to use iodine 131 in Moorpark, CA	FOIA/PA-2013-0242
All files, documents, and other materials indexed on named individual	FOIA/PA-2013-0243
Copy of all allegations, enforcement actions, and investigations regarding the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station in Port Gibson, MS, from 1976-1980 and 1985-1987	FOIA/PA-2013-0244
All correspondence between NRC and Tennessee Valley Authority regarding NRC Allegation Response RII-2012-A-0183	FOIA/PA-2013-0245
Any correspondence to, from, or on behalf of North Carolina State Representative Thomas "Thom" Tillis prior to January 1, 2007 and from January 1, 2007 to March 8, 2013	FOIA/PA-2013-0246

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Annual Meeting on Reactor Operator Qualification and Training

On May 8, 2013, the staff met with the Vice President, Training and Accreditation, Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO), and members of his staff for the annual public meeting on training and qualification. The purpose of the coordination meeting was to discuss INPO and NRC initiatives and issues related to the training and qualification of nuclear power plant personnel. Topics discussed included new reactor accreditation, training issues related to recommendation eight of the Fukushima Near Term Task Force, the licensed operator requalification inspection procedure, the National Academy for Nuclear Training electronic learning system, INPO's efforts to improve operator fundamentals, and leadership development initiatives. No new policy issues were identified during the meeting.

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

- Recovery of a missing portable nuclear gauge (WV)
- Minor pipe leak at Catawba plant (SC)
- Chairman Macfarlane's response to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board ruling on San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) (CA)
- Atomic Safety Licensing Board (ASLB) ruling that a hearing opportunity exists for the SONGS restart proposal

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

- Interviews regarding the restart readiness inspection for Fort Calhoun plant (NE)
- Interview about Indian Point plant's (NY) annual assessment
- Interview about Oyster Creek plant's (NJ) annual assessment
- Facilitated an interview with North Anna plant's (VA) branch chief about plant's green violation

OPA Social Media Items:

Blog:

- Updating Nuclear Materials Transportation Regulations
- When Gauges Go Missing ... UPDATED
- When Gauges Go Missing

Press Releases	
Headquarters:	
13-038	Statement of NRC Chairman Allison M. Macfarlane on the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Decision in the San Onofre Confirmatory Action Letter Adjudication (05/17/2013)
13-037	ASLB to Take Public Comment, Hold Hearing Oct. 30 on Proposed New Reactor in Michigan (05/16/2013)
13-036	NRC Seeks Public Comment on Proposed Rule for Packaging and Transporting Radioactive Materials (05/15/2013)
13-035	Atomic Safety and Licensing Board: San Onofre Confirmatory Action Letter Process Offers Opportunity for Adjudicatory Hearing (05/13/2013)

Regions:	
<u>I-13-020</u>	NRC to Hold Open House, Question-and-Answer Session On May 15th in Stafford Township, NJ, to Discuss Oyster Creek Nuclear Power Plant Annual Assessment (05/03/2013)
<u>III-13-018</u>	NRC Regional Office to Discuss Regulations about Releases from Nuclear Power Plants; Webinar to be Held May 23 (05/16/2013)
<u>IV-13-014</u>	NRC To Discuss 2012 Performance Assessment for Columbia Generating Station (05/16/2013)
<u>II-13-037</u>	NRC to Increase Oversight of Turkey Point Nuclear Plant (05/16/2013)
<u>I-13-024</u>	NRC Issues Draft Environmental Report for Limerick License Renewal, Announces May 23 Public Meetings(05/15/2013)
<u>III-13-017</u>	NRC Schedules Open House May 22 to Discuss Performance of Dresden Nuclear Power Plant (05/14/2013)
<u>II-13-036</u>	NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Annual Assessment of Surry Nuclear Power Station (05/13/2013)
<u>II-13-035</u>	NRC Schedules Meeting to Discuss Annual Assessment of Robinson Nuclear Power Plant (05/13/2013)
<u>II-13-034</u>	NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Annual Assessment of North Anna Power Station (05/13/2013)

Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Information Papers		
1. SECY-13-0052	5/13/13	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending May 3, 2013

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Congressman Scott Peters, dated May 8, 2013, responds to concerns regarding the possible restart of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Materials, Metallurgy & Reactor Fuels, notice of meeting (05/22/2013, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.).
2. Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, Tennessee Valley Authority (Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2), Docket Nos. 50-327-LR, 50-328-LR, Atomic Safety Licensing Board No. 13-927-01-LR-BD01.
3. University of Missouri – Columbia, Facility Operating License No. R-103 [Docket No. 50-186; NRC-2013-0090].
4. Notice of Hearing, In the Matter of Detroit Edison Company (Fermi Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 3), Docket No. 52-033-COL, ASLBP No. 09-880-05-COL-BD01.
5. Final rule. 10 CFR Part 73, Physical Protection of Irradiated Reactor Fuel in Transit, RIN 3150-AI64 [NRC-2009-0163].