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SUBJECT: 2001 DECOMMISSIONING COUNTERPART MEETING

Region IV is pleased to be hosting the NRC Decommissioning Counterpart Meeting scheduled for January 22-24, 2001. This year's meeting will be held in downtown Fort Worth, Texas. The meeting includes a combined NMSS and NRR decommissioning topical agenda which has been coordinated with the program offices and regions. The objectives of the meeting are to discuss issues and developments in the decommissioning arena from the perspectives of the program offices and regions. These discussions should result in improved regulatory effectiveness for decommissioning reactors and non-reactor facilities. Attached is the meeting agenda and information on the location and travel.

We request that you confirm to the contact below the members of your staff who will be attending the meeting by Friday, January 5, 2001.

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Attachments:

- 1) Agenda for 2001 Decommissioning Counterpart Meeting
- 2) Meeting and travel information

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## **ATTACHMENT 1:**

### **AGENDA**

#### **January 22, 2001**

1:00 p.m. (15 min)	Welcoming and Opening Remarks	Region IV
1:15 p.m. (30 min)	Overview of Decommissioning and Waste Issues	J. Greeves
1:45 p.m. (30 min)	Overview of the NMSS's Decommissioning Program	L. Camper
2:15 p.m. (30 min)	Overview of the NRR's Decommissioning Program	S. Richards
2:45 p.m. (15 min)	Break	
3:00 p.m. (30 min)	SDMP Status Report	J. Buckley
3:30 p.m. (30 min)	Decommissioning Pilot Program	S. Moore
4:00 p.m. (30 min)	New Program Initiatives and Enhancements	R. Nelson
4:30 p.m. (45 min)	Decommissioning SRP	D. Orlando
5:15 p.m. (15 min)	Adjourn	

#### **January 23, 2001**

8:00 a.m. (15 min)	Welcoming and Opening Remarks	Region IV
8:15 a.m. (45 min)	Increasing the Opportunity for Public Involvement	L. Camper
9:00 a.m. (45 min)	IG's Report on Spent Fuel Pool Inspections	IG
9:45 a.m. (15 min)	Break	
10:00 a.m. (45 min)	Risk Based Inspections for Decommissioning Reactors	P. Harris
10:45 a.m. (60 min)	Partial Site Release	NRR
11:45 a.m. (75 min)	Lunch	
1:00 p.m. (90 min)	Status of Plants and Related Issues	Reg I,II,& IV
2:30 p.m. (15 min)	Break	
2:45 p.m. (30 min)	Status of Regional Laboratories	J. Buckley
3:15 p.m. (30 min)	LTP Lessons Learned	R. Nelson
3:45 p.m. (15 min)	Break	
4:00 p.m. (60 min)	MARSSIM Implementation Lessons Learned	R. Clement
5:00 p.m.	Adjourn	

#### **January 24, 2001**

8:00 a.m. (15 min)	Opening Remarks (Either Blair, Larry, or Stu)	
8:15 a.m. (3 ½ hr)	Status of Regulatory Guidance Development (GEIS, Revised 50.59 related to decommissioning, Cost Estimate, Revised Decommissioning Rule, Emergency Planning (RG 1.101), Entombment, and other guidance)	M. Masnik (et.al.)
11:45 a.m. (60 min)	Lunch	
12:45 p.m. (60 min)	ISFSIs and Fuel Disposal Options	SFPO
1:45 p.m. (30 min)	Guidance Consolidation Project	J. Parrott
2:15 p.m. (15 min)	Break	
2:30 p.m. (60 min)	Decommissioning Program (Budget, FTEs, and Horizon)	L. Camper/ S. Richards
3:30 p.m. (60 min)	Open Discussion - How and What Can We Do Better? (Panel: S. Richards, L. Camper, B. Spitzberg, R. Bellamy, B. Jorgensen)	
4:30 p.m.	Adjourn	

**ATTACHMENT 2:**  
**TRAVEL INFORMATION**

Meeting Location:

Clarion Hotel, 800 Commerce Street, Ft. Worth, Tx. A block of 25 rooms has been reserved for NRC attendees until January 10, 2001. Please confirm your own reservation prior to this date to ensure room availability by calling 817-332-6900.

Meeting Dates and Times:

January 22, 2001, 1:00 p.m. to January 24, 2001, 4:30 p.m.

Travel to Meeting Location:

Direct flights are available to DFW. From the airport to the Clarion, you can take a taxi or catch the "Airporter" bus. A taxi from DFW is available on the upper level and will cost about \$35.00. The Airporter bus departs DFW every half hour. Go to the PURPLE signs on the lower level labeled "scheduled transport" and watch for the large bus. It's a big bus like a Grayhound bus and has a big "T" on it. The cost is \$10.00 per person. If you have any problems catching the Airporter, call 817-334-0092. Rental cars may be used, however, due to the location of the hotel in the central business district of Fort Worth and the wide variety of restaurants, shopping, and entertainment within a short walking distance of the hotel, we recommend against rental cars. Travel time between DFW and the Clarion is approximately 30 minutes.

Weather:

January can be cold in north Texas with normal average temperatures in the 30s. However, it will likely be warmer than where you are coming from.