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NOTE TO EDITORS: NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS REVISES MAY MEETING AGENDA

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) has revised the agenda for its meeting in Rockville, Maryland, beginning on May 10. Previously scheduled for three days, May 10-12, the meeting will now be limited to two days, May 10 -11.

It will be open to the public, and will be held in Room T-2B3 of the agency's Two White Flint North building, at 11545 Rockville Pike, beginning at 8:15 a.m. on May 10, and at 8:30 a.m. on May 11. Discussions will continue to include license renewal for Arkansas Nuclear One, nuclear regulatory research programs and risk-based performance indicators for nuclear power plants. The complete revised agenda is attached.

Those who wish to make oral or written statements, or seek additional information on the meeting or changes to the agenda, should contact James Lyons, at 301-415-7371. ACRS meeting notices, transcripts and letters are available on the internet, at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW/>.

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ACRS Agenda (Revised)

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2001

8:30 A.M. - 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open) - The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 A.M. - 10:20 A.M.: Final Review of the License Renewal Application for Arkansas Nuclear One (ANO), Unit 1 (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and Entergy Operations, Inc. regarding the license renewal application for ANO, Unit 1 and the associated staff's Safety Evaluation Report.

10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.: Members Attendance at the Commission Meeting on the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research Programs and Performance (Open) - Drs. Powers and Wallis are scheduled to participate in this meeting which will be held in the Commissioners' Conference Room, One White Flint North. Other members will be attending this meeting as observers.

1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.: Risk-Based Performance Indicators (Open) - The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the staff's draft document entitled, "Risk-Based Performance Indicators: Results of Phase 1 Development," and related matters.

3:15 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.: Discussion of South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) Exemption Request (Open) - The Committee will discuss the South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company Exemption Request.

4:15 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. : Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open) - The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting, as well as a proposed ACRS report on Management Directive 6.4 associated with the revised Generic Safety Issue Process.

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2001

8:30 A.M. - 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open) - The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.: Discussion of Topics for Meeting with the NRC Commissioners (Open) - The Committee will discuss topics scheduled for its meeting with the NRC Commissioners.

10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P. M.: Meeting with the NRC Commissioners (Open) - The Committee will meet with the NRC Commissioners, Commissioners' Conference Room, One White Flint North to discuss: proposed framework for risk-informed changes to 10 CFR Part 50; South Texas Project Exemption Request; Issues Associated with Thermal-Hydraulic Codes; Status Report on Steam Generator Tube Integrity Issues; and Status of ACRS Activities Associated with License Renewal.

1:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.: Discussion of General Design Criteria (Open) - The Committee will hear a presentation by and hold discussions with Mr. Sorensen, ACRS Senior Fellow, regarding his views on risk-informing the General Design Criteria that are included in Appendix A to 10 CFR Part 50.

2:30 P.M. - 3:15 P.M.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open) - The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings. Also, it will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, and organizational and personnel matters relating to the ACRS.

3:30 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations (Open) - The Committee will discuss the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters. The EDO responses are expected to be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting.

3:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.: Miscellaneous (Open) - The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.