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NRC TO MEET WITH PUBLIC ON JUNE 13 TO DISCUSS USE OF RISK INFORMATION IN REGULATING NUCLEAR WASTE AND MATERIALS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with the public on June 13 in Denver, Colorado, to discuss criteria being developed for determining when risk information should be used in the regulation of nuclear waste and materials.

The meeting will be held at the Executive Tower Hotel, 1405 Curtis Street, Denver, from 7 to 9 p.m.

NRC staff will discuss a case study in which the criteria under development were tested by applying them to the regulation of uranium mills. This case is part of an overall effort by the NRC's Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards to examine the feasibility of using risk information in its regulation of waste and materials.

NRC has previously held public meetings to discuss how risk information is being used to regulate reactor decommissioning, radioactive materials transportation, and commercial uses of radioactive material in gas chromatographs, static eliminators and fixed gauges.

The NRC staff's case study approach, the draft screening criteria, and the case study areas under consideration are described in the "Plan for Using Risk Information in the Materials and Waste Arenas: Case Studies" published in the Federal Register on November 7. The document also is available at: <http://www.nrc.gov/NMSS/IMNS/riskcasestudyplan.htm> on the NRC web site. Additional information about the meeting is available from Marissa Bailey at (301) 415-7648 or by e-mail to: MGB@NRC.GOV.

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