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NRC TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING NOV. 10 IN GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND, ON STANDARD REVIEW PLAN FOR NUCLEAR WASTE DETERMINATIONS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will hold a public meeting Nov. 10 in Gaithersburg, Md., to receive public input on the scope of a Standard Review Plan to be developed for conducting its consultation and monitoring activities regarding non-high level waste determinations by the Department of Energy at DOE facilities.

Last year, the National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2005 (NDAA) gave the NRC new responsibilities regarding DOE's efforts to remediate certain waste at the Savannah River Site in South Carolina and the Idaho National Laboratory. Initial reviews are underway.

To promote consistency and transparency in these reviews, the NRC staff is developing a Standard Review Plan for non-high level waste determinations. The plan will describe the types of information the agency will assess during its technical consultation and monitoring activities. The Standard Review Plan will include approaches for the two sites covered by the NDAA as well as West Valley, N.Y., and Hanford, Wash., where NRC may possibly perform similar reviews.

The Nov. 10 meeting will be held at the Hilton Hotel, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, Md., from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m., but those wishing to attend are urged to pre-register by calling Michele O'Shaughnessy, project manager, at (301) 415-6659. More information about the meeting, including the agenda, is available on the NRC Web page at <http://www.nrc.gov>, under Public Meetings.

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