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CHAIRMAN OF UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE
ON NUCLEAR SAFETY VISITS NRC

Dr. Mykhailo Pavlovsky, chairman of the Committee on Nuclear Policy and Safety of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine (the Ukrainian parliament) and four of his colleagues visited the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Tuesday (May 7).

They conferred with NRC Chairman Shirley Ann Jackson; with Commissioners Kenneth C. Rogers and Greta J. Dicus; and with senior members of the agency staff. Discussion topics included the NRC regulatory program, its legal basis, and the agency's relationship with Congress.

The visit grew out of a meeting last year in Kiev with Chairman Jackson, who suggested that Dr. Pavlovsky come to the United States to view first-hand how nuclear issues are dealt with by various elements of the U. S. government, including development of a regulatory framework rooted in U.S. law. Subsequently, the visit was arranged by the United States Information Agency at NRC's suggestion. Since the late 1980s, the U.S. has cooperated with Ukraine (formerly part of the Soviet Union) in nuclear reactor safety.

While in this country, the delegation also has scheduled meetings with officials and staff members of Congress, the Department of Energy, state regulatory bodies in Minnesota, and nuclear industry and public interest groups. The schedule also includes trips to the Calvert Cliffs and Prairie Island nuclear power plants.