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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
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**PLEASE RESPOND BY:
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MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Svinicki
Commissioner Baran
Commissioner Burns

FROM: Andrea Veil, Executive Director */RA/*
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

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SAFEGUARDS (ACRS)

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For this position, best qualified candidates must have extensive experience in light water reactor (LWR) severe accident behavior, accident source terms (i.e., fission product release and transport and aerosol/particulate dynamics for LWRs and advanced reactors), and advanced reactor systems. The candidate must also have at least 20 years of broad experience and a distinguished record of achievement in one or more areas of nuclear science and technology or related engineering disciplines. It would be useful if the candidate also has experience in fuel qualification, fuel performance, fuel fabrication and process development, as well as irradiation testing and post-irradiation examination.

Attached are a draft *Federal Register* notice and a draft Press Release that we propose to use to solicit qualified candidates for possible appointment to the ACRS. For additional information, please call me at 415-7360.

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