technological realization. The complexity of the systems perspective includes the factors associated with its use in industry, society/environment, or the human body.

ERCs enable and foster excellent education, integrate research and education, speed knowledge/technology transfer through partnerships between academe and industry, and prepare a more competitive future workforce. ERCs capitalize on diversity through participation in center activities and demonstrate leadership in the involvement of groups underrepresented in science and engineering.

Centers will be required to submit annual reports on progress and plans, which will be used as a basis for performance review and determining the level of continued funding. To support this review and the management of a Center, ERCs will also be required to submit management and performance indicators annually to NSF via a data collection Web site that is managed by a technical assistance contractor. These indicators are both quantitative and descriptive and may include, for example, the characteristics of center personnel and students; sources of cash and in-kind support; expenditures by operational component; characteristics of industrial and/or other sector participation; research activities; education activities; knowledge transfer activities; patents, licenses; publications; degrees granted to students involved in Center activities; descriptions of significant advances and other outcomes of the ERC effort. Such reporting requirements will be included in the cooperative agreement which is binding between the academic institution and the NSF.

Each Center's annual report will address the following categories of activities: (1) Vision and impact, (2) strategic plan, (3) research program, (4) innovation ecosystem and industrial collaboration, (5) education, (6) infrastructure (leadership, management, facilities, diversity) and (7) budget issues.

For each of the categories the report will describe overall objectives for the year, progress toward center goals, problems the Center has encountered in making progress towards goals and how they were overcome, plans for the future and anticipated research and other barriers to overcome in the following year, and specific outputs and outcomes.

Use of the Information: The data collected will be used for NSF internal reports, historical data, performance review by peer site visit teams, program level studies and evaluations, and for securing future funding for continued ERC program maintenance and growth.

Estimate of Burden: 100 hours per center for 17 centers for a total of 1700 hours.

Respondents: Academic institutions.

Estimated Number of Responses per Report: One from each of the 17 ERCs.

Dated: February 10, 2012.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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WORKSHOP Sponsored by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Electric Power Research Institute on the Treatment of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Uncertainties: Public Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), in cooperation with the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), will hold a joint workshop on the Treatment of Probabilistic Risk Assessment (PRA) Uncertainties. Since 2002, RES and EPRI, under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Cooperative Nuclear Safety Research, have been developing state-of-the-art methods for conduct of PRA.

The purpose of the workshop is to bring together experts to gain a better understanding of the sources of uncertainty, how they manifest in the PRA, and their potential significance to the PRA model and results. More specifically, the workshop will address uncertainties associated with risk assessments for internal fires, seismic events, low power and shutdown (LPSD) conditions, and for the Level 2 portion of PRAs.

DATES: Wednesday, February 29, 2012 (8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.);

Thursday, March 1, 2012 (8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.)

ADDRESSES: The Legacy Hotel & Meeting Centre; 1775 Rockville Pike; Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Meeting Agenda: The agenda for this meeting can be accessed at *http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm.*

Because of limited available space, attendees are asked to pre-register (there is not a registration fee) as soon as possible. There will be the ability to call-in to the workshop. Please contact Matt Dennis, Sandia National Laboratories, at 505–284–0781, email: *mldenni@sandia.gov* to register and to obtain the call-in phone line number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary T. Drouin, Sr. Program Manager, Performance and Reliability Branch, Division of Risk Analysis, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Tel: 301–251–7574, Email: *Mary.Drouin@nrc.gov.*

Conduct of the Meeting

This meeting is a Category 3 meeting.* The public is invited to participate in this meeting by providing comments and asking questions throughout the meeting. Please note this workshop is being conducted in a classroom format; registration is required to ensure space availability.

The NRC provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this workshop, or need the workshop notice or agenda in another format (e.g., Braille, large print), please notify the NRC is meeting contact. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of February, 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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USEC Inc. (American Centrifuge Lead Cascade Facility and American Centrifuge Plant); Direct Transfer of Licenses

In the Matter of USEC INC. (American Centrifuge Lead Cascade Facility and American Centrifuge Plant); Order EA–12–

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