

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

DATES: Weeks of September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 2004.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of September 13, 2004

Tuesday, September 14, 2004
9:30 a.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1)

Week of September 20, 2004—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 20, 2004.

Week of September 27, 2004—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 27, 2004.

Week of October 4, 2004—Tentative

Thursday, October 7, 2004
10:30 a.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex.1)
1 p.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex.1)

Week of October 11, 2004—Tentative

Wednesday, October 13, 2004
9:30 a.m. Briefing on Decommissioning Activities and Status (Public Meeting) (Contact: Claudia Craig, 301-415-7276)
This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.
1:30 p.m. Discussion of Intragovernmental Issues (Closed—Ex. 1 & 9)

Week of October 18, 2004—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 18, 2004.

*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: Dave Gamberoni, (301) 415-1651.

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Dated: September 9, 2004.

R. Michelle Schroll,

Office of the Secretary.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Required Interest Rate Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or can be derived from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's Web site (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).

DATES: The required interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in September 2004. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in October 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-

free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and Section 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate (the "required interest rate") in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. Pursuant to the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004, for premium payment years beginning in 2004 or 2005, the required interest rate is the "applicable percentage" (currently 85 percent) of the annual rate of interest determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on amounts invested conservatively in long-term investment grade corporate bonds for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid. Thus, the required interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in September 2004 is 4.95 percent (*i.e.*, 85 percent of the 5.82 percent composite corporate bond rate for August 2004 as determined by the Treasury).

The following table lists the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between October 2003 and September 2004. Note that the required interest rates for premium payment years beginning in October through December 2003 were determined under the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002, and that the required interest rates for premium payment years beginning in January through September 2004 were determined under the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004.

For premium payment years beginning in:	The required interest rate is:
October 2003*	5.14
November 2003*	5.16
December 2003*	5.12
January 2004**	4.94
February 2004**	4.83
March 2004**	4.79
April 2004**	4.62
May 2004**	4.98
June 2004**	5.26
July 2004**	5.25
August 2004**	5.10
September 2004**	4.95

* The required interest rates for premium payment years beginning in October through December 2003 were determined under the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002.