

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY**Advisory Committee Meeting**

AGENCY: National Council on Disability (NCD).

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule of the forthcoming conference call for NCD's Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee. Notice of this conference call is required under Section 10(a)(1)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

CULTURAL DIVERSITY ADVISORY

COMMITTEE: The purpose of NCD's Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to NCD on issues affecting people with disabilities from culturally diverse backgrounds. Specifically, the committee will help identify issues, expand outreach, infuse participation, and elevate the voices of underserved and unserved segments of this nation's population that will help NCD develop federal policy that will address the needs and advance the civil and human rights of people from diverse cultures.

DATES: March 6, 2002, 3:00 p.m. EST.

FOR CULTURAL DIVERSITY ADVISORY

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AGENCY MISSION: The National Council on Disability is an independent federal agency composed of 15 members appointed by the President of the United States and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. Its overall purpose is to promote policies, programs practices, and procedures that guarantee equal opportunity for all people with disabilities, regardless of the nature of severity of the disability; and to empower people with disabilities to achieve economic self-sufficiency, independent living, and inclusion and integration into all aspects of society.

This committee is necessary to provide advice and recommendations to NCD on disability issues.

We currently have a membership reflecting our nation's diversity and representing a variety of disabling conditions from across the United States.

OPEN MEETING: This advisory committee meeting/conference call of the National Council on Disability will be open to the public. However, due to fiscal constraints and staff limitations, a limited number of additional lines will

be available. Individuals can also participate in the conference call at the NCD office. Those interested in joining this conference call should contact the appropriate staff member listed above.

Records will be kept of all Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee meetings/calls and will be available after the meeting for public inspection at the National Council on Disability.

Signed in Washington, DC, on February 11, 2002.

Jeffrey T. Rosen,

General Counsel and Acting Executive Director.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee Notice of Meeting**

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee (1176).

Date and Time: Thursday, March 14, 2002; 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday, March 15, 2001; 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Place: Stafford II Building, Room 595, National Science Foundation, 4121 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Bradley D. Keister, Program Director for Nuclear Physics, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292-7377.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning the scientific programs of the NSF and DOE in the area of basic nuclear physics research.

Agenda:

March 14, 2002

Introduction (J. Symons)

Report from DOE

Report from NSF

Discussion of agency issues

Report on BESAC activities (J. Schiffer)

Discussion of Long-Range Plan short document

Public Comment

March 15, 2002

Continued Discussion of agency issues and Long-Range Plan short document

Dated: February 12, 2002.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-247]

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is considering issuance of an exemption from Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) part 50.60(a) for Facility Operating License No. DPR-26, issued to Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., (ENO or the licensee), for operation of the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2 (IP2), located in Westchester County, New York. Therefore, as required by 10 CFR 51.21, the NRC is issuing this environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

Environmental Assessment*Identification of the Proposed Action*

The proposed action would provide an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.60(a). The exemption would permit the use of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (ASME Code), Section XI, Code Case N-640, "Alternative Requirement Fracture Toughness for Development of P-T [Pressure and Temperature] Limit Curves for ASME Section XI Division I," and ASME Code Section XI Code Case N-588, "Alternative to Reference Flaw Orientation of Appendix G for Circumferential Welds in Reactor Vessels, Section XI, Division I," in lieu of 10 CFR part 50, appendix G, paragraph I.

The proposed action is in accordance with the Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), the former licensee of IP2, request for an exemption dated July 16, 2001. On September 6, 2001, Con Edison's interests in the license was transferred to Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENO). By letter dated September 20, 2001, ENO requested that the NRC continue to review and act on all requests before the Commission which had been submitted before the transfer. Accordingly, the NRC staff has acted upon Con Edison's application dated July 16, 2001, as supplemented by an ENO letter dated January 11, 2002.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action provides relief from unnecessary restriction of the P-T operating window defined by the P-T operating and test curves developed in accordance with ASME Code, Section

XI, Appendix G procedure. ASME Code, Section XI, Appendix G procedure was conservatively developed based on the level of knowledge existing in 1974 concerning reactor pressure vessel materials and the estimated effects of operation. Since 1974, the level of knowledge about these topics has been greatly expanded. This increased knowledge permits relaxation of the ASME Code, Section XI, Appendix G, requirements via application of ASME Code Case N-640 while maintaining the underlying purpose of the ASME Code, Section XI, Appendix G procedure. The restriction of the P-T operating and test curves developed in accordance with ASME Code, Section XI, Appendix G procedure would challenge the operations staff when operating at lower temperatures.

Continued operation with P-T curves developed in accordance with the ASME Code, Section XI without relief would unnecessarily restrict the P-T operating window for IP2. This would constitute an unnecessary burden that can be alleviated by the application of ASME Code Case N-588 in the development of the proposed P-T curves. Implementation of the proposed P-T curves as allowed by ASME Code Case N-588 would not reduce the margin of safety originally contemplated by either the NRC or ASME.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes as set forth below, there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the use of the alternative analysis methods to support the revision of the P-T curves.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of effluents that may be released off site, and there is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed action does not have a potential to affect any historic sites. It does not affect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action (i.e., the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

The action does not involve the use of any different resource than those previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3, dated September 1972.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

On January 31, 2002, the staff consulted with the New York State official, Ms. Alyse Peterson of the New York State Research and Development Authority, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated July 16, 2001, as supplemented by letter dated January 11, 2002. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of February 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Joel T. Munday,

Acting Chief, Section 1, Project Directorate 1, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold a Planning and Procedures Meeting during February 27-March 1, 2002, at the Four Points Sheraton-Tucson University Plaza, 1900 E. Speedway Blvd., Tucson, Arizona.

The meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACNW, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, February 27, 2002—8:30 a.m. Until the Conclusion of Business

The Committee will discuss the adequacy of the process for conducting ACNW business including a facilitated discussion on improving Committee effectiveness and efficiency. In addition, it will discuss insights gained from the Waste Management 2002 Conference and the issues the ACNW should address in 2002.

Thursday, February 28, 2002—8:30 a.m. Until the Conclusion of Business

The Committee will discuss its existing mission and objectives, its effectiveness during the past year, and possible process improvements that could result in increased effectiveness during 2002.

Friday, March 1, 2002—8:30 a.m. Until the Conclusion of Business

The Committee will summarize its consensus on issues, consider its draft report on the NRC Safety Research Program, and finalize its March 20, 2002 Commission briefing presentation.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and