

Signed at Washington, DC, on August 20, 2004.

John L. Henshaw,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Commission Meeting

AGENCY: Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commission will hold its next public meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2004, and Friday, September 10, 2004, at the Ronald Reagan Building, International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The meeting is tentatively scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. on September 9, and at 9 a.m. on September 10.

Topics for discussion include initial findings on congressionally mandated studies including: specialty hospitals; certified registered nurse first assistants; physician practice expenses; risk adjustment and other issues related to the adjusted average per capita cost (AAPCC); and beneficiary cost sharing in private plans. Additional presentations will include analysis on post-acute care outcomes and state lessons from the Medicare prescription drug card program. The Commission will also discuss work plans for a study on skilled nursing facility quality measures and home health quality.

Agendas will be e-mailed approximately one week prior to the meeting. The final agenda will be available on the Commission's Web site (www.MedPAC.gov).

ADDRESSES: MedPAC's address is: 601 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Suite 9000, Washington, DC 20001. The telephone number is (202) 220-3700.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Ellison, Office Manager, (202) 220-3700.

Mark E. Miller,

Executive Director.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Arts Advisory Panel

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub.

L. 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Fellowships Advisory Panel, Literature section (Poetry Fellowships category) to the National Council on the Arts announced for September 21-23, 2004 in Room 716 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20506, will be held as a meeting of the Arts Advisory Panel. All other information regarding this meeting remains unchanged.

Dated: August 19, 2004.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-313]

Entergy Operations, Inc.; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Entergy Operations, Inc., (the licensee) to withdraw its April 2, 2003, application as supplemented by letters dated November 21 and December 31, 2003, for proposed amendment to Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-51 for the Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit No. 1, located in Pope County, Arkansas.

The proposed amendment would have revised the technical specifications pertaining to the fuel enrichment, the spent fuel pool (SFP) boron concentration and criticality analysis, the SFP regions (including the use of Metamic poison panels in a portion of the SFP) and loading restrictions, and the loading patterns in the new fuel storage racks.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on May 13, 2003 (68 FR 25651). However, by letter dated June 24, 2004, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated April 2, 2003, as supplemented by letters dated November 21 and December 31, 2003, and the licensee's letter dated June 24, 2004, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North,

Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/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 email to pdrr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of August 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Thomas W. Alexion,

Project Manager, Section 1, Project Directorate IV, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Meeting Notice

In accordance with the purposes of Sections 29 and 182b. of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232b), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) will hold a meeting on September 9-11, 2004, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The date of this meeting was previously published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, November 21, 2003 (68 FR 65743).

**Thursday, September 9, 2004,
Conference Room T-2B3, Two White
Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

**8:30 a.m.-8:35 a.m.: Opening
Remarks by the ACRS Chairman**
(Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

**8:35 a.m.-10:30 a.m.: Final Review of
the License Renewal Application for the
Dresden and Quad Cities Nuclear Plants**
(Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the Exelon Generation Company, LLC and the NRC staff regarding the license renewal application for the Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Units 2 and 3 and Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2, as well as the associated final Safety Evaluation Report prepared by the NRC staff.

10:45 a.m.–11:45 a.m.: Proposed Changes to the License Renewal Program (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding proposed changes to the license renewal program related to scoping and screening processes.

12:45 p.m.–1:45 p.m.: Safety Evaluation for Proposed Amendment to Technical Specifications for Farley Units 1 and 2—Steam Generator Program (Open)—The Commission will hear presentations by NRC staff regarding the safety evaluation for a proposed amendment to technical specifications for Farley Units 1 and 2—Steam Generator Program.

2 p.m.–5:45 p.m.: Safeguards and Security (Closed)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) regarding safeguards and security matters.

6 p.m.–7 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

Friday, September 10, 2004, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

8:30 a.m.–8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 a.m.–10:30 a.m.: Assessment of the Quality of the Selected NRC Research Projects (Open)—The Committee will discuss the preliminary results of the cognizant ACRS members' assessment of the quality of the NRC research projects on Sump Performance and on MACCS Code.

10:45 a.m.–11:45 a.m.: Divergence in Regulatory Approaches Between U.S. and Other Countries (Open)—The Committee will discuss a draft White Paper prepared by Dr. Nourbakhsh, ACRS Senior Staff Engineer, regarding divergence in regulatory approaches between U.S. and other Countries.

12:45 p.m.–1:45 p.m.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open)—The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings. Also, it will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments.

1:45 p.m.–2 p.m.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and

Recommendations (Open)—The Committee will discuss the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters. The EDO responses are expected to be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting.

2 p.m.–2:30 p.m.: Trip Report—AP1000 Workshop in China (Open)—The Committee will hear a report by and hold discussions with Dr. Kress, ACRS member, who attended the International Workshop on AP1000 that was held in China on July 26–29, 2004.

2:45 p.m.–3:15 p.m.: Trip Report—Chalk River Facility in Canada (Open)—The Committee will hear a report by and hold discussions with Dr. Powers, ACRS member, who visited the Chalk River Facility in Canada.

3:15 p.m.–4:15 p.m.: Draft Final ACRS Action Plan (Open)—The Committee will discuss the draft final ACRS Action Plan.

4:15 p.m.–6:30 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

Saturday, September 11, 2004, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

8:30 a.m.–12 Noon: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

12 Noon–12:30 p.m.: Miscellaneous (Open)—The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 16, 2003 (68 FR 59644). In accordance with those procedures, oral or written views may be presented by members of the public, including representatives of the nuclear industry. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during the open portions of the meeting. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Cognizant ACRS staff named below five days before the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during the meeting may be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting the Cognizant ACRS staff

prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with the Cognizant ACRS staff if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

In accordance with Subsection 10(d) P.L. 92–463, I have determined that it is necessary to close portions of this meeting noted above to discuss and protect information classified as national security information as well as safeguard information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and (3).

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, as well as the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting Mr. Sam Duraiswamy, Cognizant ACRS staff (301–415–7364), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., ET.

ACRS meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available through the NRC Public Document Room at pdrc@nrc.gov, or by calling the PDR at 1–800–397–4209, or from the Publicly Available Records System (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS) which is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/> (ACRS & ACNW Mtg schedules/agendas).

Videoteleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACRS meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACRS meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACRS Audio Visual Technician (301–415–8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m., ET, at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service. Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment and facilities that they use to establish the videoteleconferencing link. The availability of videoteleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: August 20, 2004.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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