

F. 8:40–10:15 A.M.: *Briefing by Deputy Director, NMSS (Open)*—Ms. Federline will address the Committee on items of mutual interest.

G. 10:30–12:30 P.M.: *Update: Total System Performance Assessment and Integration (TSPA&I) (Open)*—The Committee will hear a presentation by the NRC staff on the TSPA technical exchange and management meeting with DOE held August 6–9, 2001.

H. 2:00–2:30 P.M.: *Research Working Group (Open)*—The Committee will discuss plans for the subject working group which is to be held during the 131st ACNW Meeting.

I. 2:30–4:00 P.M.: *DOE-Yucca Mountain Preclosure Plans (Open)*—The Committee will hear a briefing by and hold discussions with representatives of DOE on its current preclosure plans and activities for the proposed HLW repository at Yucca Mountain.

J. 4:15–7:00 P.M.: *Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open)*—The Committee will discuss proposed reports.

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K. 8:30–8:35 A.M.: *Opening Remarks by the ACNW Chairman (Open)*—The ACNW Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

L. 8:35–9:30 A.M.: *Preparations for October Visit to Nevada (Open)*—The Committee will finalize topics, agenda and public outreach sessions for the trip to Nevada, as well as plans for a visit prior to the October meeting by Members to the Envirocare Facility in Utah.

M. 9:30–2:45 P.M.: *Discussion of Proposed ACNW Reports (Open)*—The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACNW reports.

N. 2:45–3:00 P.M.: *Miscellaneous (Open)*—The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters 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 ACNW meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 11, 2000 (65 FR 60475). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public, electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Howard J. Larson, ACNW, as far in advance as practicable so that appropriate arrangements can be made

to schedule the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting will be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the ACNW Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for taking pictures may be obtained by contacting the ACNW office, prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACNW meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should notify Mr. Larson as to their particular needs.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefore can be obtained by contacting Mr. Howard J. Larson, ACNW (Telephone 301/415-6805), between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. EDT.

ACNW meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available for downloading or viewing on the internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW>.

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Dated: August 3, 2001.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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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 will hold a meeting on September 5–8, 2001, in Conference Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

Wednesday, September 5, 2001

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

8:35 a.m.–10:00 a.m.: *Duane Arnold Core Power Uprate (Open)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and the Alliant Energy regarding the license amendment request submitted by the Alliant Energy to increase the core thermal power by 15.3% above the current licensed value for the Duane Arnold Energy Center and the associated staff's safety evaluation report.

10:20 a.m.–12:00 Noon: *EPRI Report on Resolution of Generic Letter 96-06*

Waterhammer Issues (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) regarding the EPRI Report, TR-113594, "Resolution of Generic Letter 96-06 Waterhammer Issues."

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.: *Reactor Oversight Process (Open)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the use of performance indicators in the reactor oversight process, initial implementation of the significance determination process (SDP), and technical adequacy of the SDP to contribute to the reactor oversight process.

2:50 p.m.–4:00 p.m.: *Proposed Update to 10 CFR 52, "Early Site Permits; Standard Design Certification; and Combined Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants" (Open)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding proposed update to 10 CFR Part 52.

4:20 p.m.–7:00 p.m.: *Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports (Open)*—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

Thursday, September 6, 2001

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.–9:00 a.m.: *Peer Review of PRA Certification Process (Open)*—The Committee will hear a report from Mr. Markley, ACRS Senior Staff Engineer, regarding the application of the PRA certification process described in NEI 00-02, "Probabilistic Risk Assessment (PRA) Peer Review Process Guidance," for the North Anna Power Station that was conducted by the Westinghouse Owners Group and discussed with the licensee on July 16–20, 2001, in Richmond, Virginia.

9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.: *Meeting with the NRC Commissioner Merrifield (Open)*—The Committee will meet with the NRC Commissioner Merrifield to discuss items of mutual interest.

10:20 a.m.–12:00 Noon: *Proposed Resolution of Generic Safety Issue (GSI)-191, "Assessment of Debris Accumulation on PWR Sump Pump Performance" (Open)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the proposed resolution of GSI-191.

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.: *TRACG Best-Estimate Thermal-Hydraulic Code (Open/Closed)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the General Electric TRACG best-estimate large-break loss-of-coolant accident code.

Note: A portion of this session may be closed to discuss General Electric Proprietary Information.

2:45 p.m.–3:30 p.m.: *Proposed Final Revision to Regulatory Guide 1.78 (DG-1089), "Main Control Room Habitability During a Postulated Hazardous Chemical Release"* (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the proposed final revision to Regulatory Guide 1.78.

3:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.: *Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports* (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

Friday, September 7, 2001

8:30 a.m.–8:35 a.m.: *Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman* (Open)

8:35 a.m.–9:30 a.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, and organizational and personnel matters relating to the ACRS.

9:30 a.m.–9:45 a.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.

10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.: *Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports* (Open)—The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

Saturday, September 8, 2001

8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.: *Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports* (Open)—The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

11:30 a.m.–12:00 Noon: *Miscellaneous* (Open)—The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

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make oral statements should notify Dr. Sher Bahadur, ACRS, 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 Dr. Sher Bahadur 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 Dr. Sher Bahadur if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

In accordance with subsection 10(d) Public Law 92–463, I have determined that it is necessary to close portions of this meeting noted above to discuss proprietary information per 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4).

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting Dr. Sher Bahadur (telephone 301–415–0138), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., EDT.

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NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

Board Meeting

September 10–12, 2001—Las Vegas, Nevada: The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold a meeting to discuss issues related to the characterization of a potential repository site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. A program overview and status reports on site characterization and evaluation will be presented by the U.S. Department of Energy. Other topics on the agenda

include uncertainty analyses, waste package materials testing, performance assessment, consequences of igneous intrusion, and repository development plans.

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100–203, Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will meet in Las Vegas, Nevada, from Monday, September 10, to Wednesday, September 12, 2001, to discuss the status of U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) efforts to characterize a site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, as the possible location of a permanent repository for spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste. At the two-and-a-half-day meeting, the DOE and representatives of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Environmental Protection Agency, the State of Nevada, and Nye County, Nevada, will present updates on important issues related to the technical and scientific evaluation of the Yucca Mountain site. The meeting is open to the public, and several opportunities for public comment will be provided.

The Board meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 4255 South Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109. The telephone number is (702) 369–4400; the fax number is (702) 369–3770. The meeting sessions will start at 8:00 a.m. each day.

The Monday session will begin with a general overview of the DOE program and the Yucca Mountain project, including a DOE perspective on a potential site recommendation and a DOE presentation on long-range decision processes. Additional topics to be discussed on Monday include analyses of uncertainty and activities related to testing waste package materials. The DOE also will discuss its comparison of higher- and lower-temperature operating modes for a potential Yucca Mountain repository. Updates on peer reviews being conducted by the DOE on the biosphere and on performance assessment will complete Monday's agenda.

Tuesday's agenda includes discussions of standards and regulations, the DOE's plans for addressing key technical issues, and a summary of the DOE's preliminary evaluations of site suitability. The DOE will present an update on the science program and a summary of the Supplementary Science and Performance Analyses report. Representatives of the Nye County drilling program will discuss the status of work undertaken by that program. The day will end with a presentation on