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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS
TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) has scheduled a technical meeting September 1-3 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in conference room T-2B3 of the agency's Two White Flint North Building at 11545 Rockville Pike.

Here is the complete meeting agenda:

Wednesday, September 1

8:30 - 8:45 a.m. -- Opening remarks by the ACRS Chairman.

8:45 - 10:45 a.m. -- Safety evaluation report related to the Oconee nuclear power plant license renewal application.

10:45 - 11:00 a.m. -- Break.

11:00 a.m. - Noon -- Proposed resolution of generic safety issue-145, "Actions to Reduce Common Cause Failures."

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. -- Lunch.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. -- Proposed final source term rule and associated draft regulatory guide and standard review plan section.

3:00 - 3:15 p.m. -- Break.

3:15 - 4:15 p.m. -- Proposed revision to regulatory guide 1.78 (DG-1087), "Evaluating the Habitability of a Nuclear Power Plant Control Room During a Postulated Hazardous Chemical Release."

4:15 - 4:45 p.m. -- ACRS plans for reviewing the RETRAN-3D Thermal Hydraulic Transient Analysis Code.

4:45 - 5:45 p.m. -- Break and preparation of draft ACRS reports.

5:45 - 7:15 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:30 - 8:35 a.m. -- Opening remarks by the ACRS Chairman.

8:35 - 10:00 a.m. -- Application of the Electric Power Research Institute risk-informed methods to inservice inspection of piping.

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. -- Break.

10:15 - 11:45 a.m. -- Proposed guidance for using risk information in the review of licensing actions.

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. -- Lunch.

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. -- Proposed final revision 3 to regulatory guide 1.105, "Instrument Setpoints for Safety Systems."

2:00 - 2:15 p.m. -- Break.

2:15 - 3:45 p.m. -- Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research self-assessment program.

3:45 - 5:00 p.m. -- Break and preparation of draft ACRS reports.

5:00 - 7:15 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:30 - 8:35 a.m. -- Opening remarks by ACRS Chairman.

8:35 - 9:15 a.m. -- Report of the planning and procedures subcommittee.

9:15 - 9:30 a.m. -- Future ACRS activities.

9:30 - 9:45 a.m. -- Reconciliation of ACRS comments and recommendations.

9:45 - 10:00 a.m. -- Break.

10:00 a.m. - Noon -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

Noon - 1:00 p.m. -- Lunch.

1:00 - 5:00 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

5:00 - 5:30 p.m. -- Miscellaneous.

Although meetings of the ACRS are open, they are not part of the agency's normal hearing process. The ACRS, an advisory committee group to the Commission, conducts independent, highly technical reviews of safety considerations related to nuclear facilities.

Portions of the meeting will be closed to discuss matters relating to ACRS internal personnel practices and other confidential material. While anyone may attend, the committee will consider only oral or written statements arranged in advance and limited to specific matters described in a Notice of Meeting published in an upcoming edition of the Federal Register. ACRS meeting agendas, transcripts, and letter reports are available on the internet, at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW>

Those seeking information on opportunities to present oral statements or on schedule changes, should contact Richard Savio, at 301-415-7363.

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