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NOTE TO EDITORS:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has received three reports from its Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards following the Committee's meetings on December 3-5. The reports provide comments on:

- An interim report on proposed improvements to the NRC inspection and assessment programs;
- Proposed Commission paper concerning options for risk-informed revisions to 10 CFR Part 50 - "domestic licensing of production and utilization facilities;"
- Options for incorporating risk insights into the 10 CFR 50.59 process, whereby licensees can make certain changes to their facility and conduct tests and experiments without prior NRC approval.

Copies of the reports are available through the NRC's Office of Public Affairs, the NRC's Internet homepage ([www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW](http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW)) and the Public Document Room.

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