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NRC INVITES PUBLIC TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS FOR THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is seeking qualified candidates to fill a vacancy on its Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS.)

The ACRS was established by Congress to provide the NRC with independent expert advice on matters related to the safety of existing and proposed nuclear facilities and on the adequacy of the proposed reactor safety standards. The Committee's work currently emphasizes safety issues associated with the operation of 103 commercial nuclear power plants in the United States; the pursuit of a risk-informed and performance-based regulatory approach; review of license renewal applications; risk-informed revisions to 10 CFR Part 50; power uprates; transient and accident analysis codes; use of mixed oxide and high burnup fuels; and technical issues related to advanced reactor designs.

The ACRS membership is drawn from a variety of engineering and scientific disciplines needed to conduct broadly based reviews for these facilities, as well as proposed standards and criteria and related research activities. At this time, the Commission is specifically seeking someone with 15-20 years of experience, including graduate level education, in the area of thermal hydraulics. Candidates are selected to provide a balanced technical base consistent with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Because conflict-of-interest regulations restrict the participation of members actively involved in the regulated aspects of the nuclear industry, the degree and nature of any such involvement will be weighed. Each qualified candidate's financial interests must be reconciled with applicable federal and NRC rules and regulations prior to final appointment. This might require divestiture of securities issued by nuclear industry entities, or discontinuance of industry-funded research contracts or grants.

A resumé describing the educational and professional background of the applicant, including any special accomplishments, professional references, current address, and telephone number should be provided. Candidates must be citizens of the United States. All candidates will receive careful consideration. An indication of the candidate's ability and willingness to devote the time required

(approximately 80-100 days per year) should also be provided. Applications will be accepted until July 16, 2001 (extended to August 31).

Copies of resumés of applicants should be sent to the attention of Ms. Sherry Meador, Administrative Assistant, Operations Support Branch, Mail Stop T2E-26, ACRS/ACNW, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555-0001.

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