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## **NRC LICENSING SUPPORT NETWORK ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL TO MEET SEPTEMBER 18-19 IN LAS VEGAS**

A Nuclear Regulatory Commission advisory review panel will meet September 18 and 19 in Las Vegas to discuss an Internet-based system, known as the "Licensing Support Network," that will contain information related to a potential hearing on a high-level radioactive waste repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. The meeting is open to members of the public for observation, and time will be set aside at the end of each day's session for the public to ask questions or make brief comments.

The meeting of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on September 18, and from 8:30 a.m. to the close of business on September 19, at the Alexis Park, 375 East Harmon Avenue.

The Licensing Support Network is being developed so that all potential participants in the license application hearing process for a high-level waste repository at Yucca Mountain can make their discovery documents available electronically through the participants' individual web sites to the network.

The NRC chartered the advisory committee in 1989 to provide advice on network design, operation, maintenance, and compliance monitoring. Panel members are from the NRC; the Department of Energy; the State of Nevada; the Counties of Nye, Churchill, Clark, Esmeralda, Eureka, Inyo, Lander, Lincoln, Mineral and White Pine; the National Congress of American Indians; the Nevada Nuclear Waste Task Force; the Nuclear Energy Institute; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board. The Chairman of the panel is Andrew L. Bates of the NRC's Office of the Secretary of the Commission.

For further information contact Dr. Bates at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of the Secretary, Mail Stop O-16 C1, Washington, DC 20555-0001; by telephone at 301-415-1963 or by e-mail at [ALB@NRC.GOV](mailto:ALB@NRC.GOV); or Jack G. Whetstine, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, Mail Stop T-3 F231, Washington, DC 20555-0001; by telephone at 301-415-7391; or by e-mail at [JGW@NRC.GOV](mailto:JGW@NRC.GOV).

Interested persons may make oral presentations to the panel or file written statements. Oral presentation requests should be made as far in advance of the meeting as possible to one of the contacts listed so appropriate arrangements can be made.

A copy of the preliminary meeting agenda is attached.

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## Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel Meeting

### Wednesday, September 18

- 8:30 - 8:45 am LSNARP Chairman's Opening Remarks - Andrew Bates, NRC
- 8:45 - 9:30 am LSN Administrator Progress Report on Status of LSN; Panel Discussion; Questions and Answers - Dan Graser, NRC
- 9:30 - 10:00 am LSN Project Manager Report on Status of Integration Efforts and Results of System Security Risk Assessment Performed by NSA - Matt Schmit, NRC
- 10:00 - 10:15 am Break
- 10:15 - 10:45 am Experience of Local Government in Setting Up Web site to make documents available To LSN (Lincoln and White Pine Counties) - Jason Pitts, Lincoln County
- 10:45 - 11:15 am Plans for Making DOE Documents Available - Harry Leake, DOE
- 11:15 - 12:00 pm Identification of Participant Training Needs; Expectations for Use of the LSN; Training Strategies and Approaches; Points of Contact for Coordination of Training Efforts; Discussion - Dan Graser, NRC
- 12:00 - 1:15 pm Lunch
- 1:15 - 1:45 pm Summary of Draft Regulatory Guide DG-3022, Proposed Revision 1 of Regulatory Guide 3.69, Topical Guidelines for the Licensing Support Network - Jeff Ciocco, NRC
- 1:45 - 2:15 pm Review of Relevancy; Discussion (Introduced by Clark County) - Panel
- 2:15 - 2:45 pm Role of a Rural County in the Licensing; Distinction between Party with Standing, Interested Governmental Party, etc. (Introduced by White Pine County) - Panel
- 2:45 - 3:15 pm Explain the Importance of Participation in the Licensing Support Network as a Prerequisite for being a Participant in the Licensing Process (Introduced by White Pine County) - Panel
- 3:15 - 3:30 pm Break
- 3:30 - 3:50 pm Overview of NRC Information Systems Supporting Subpart J Requirements - Jim Schaeffer, NRC
- 3:50 - 4:20 pm Summary of June 25-26 NRC/DOE Technical Exchange on Electronic Submissions - Jeff Ciocco, NRC
- 4:20 - Open Discussion and Public Comments on Wednesday Topics - Panel/Public
- Adjourn

## **Thursday, September 19, 2001**

- 9:00 - 9:45 am Overview of NRC Plans for the Digital Courtroom Environment - Pat Smith, NRC
- 10:00 - 10:30 am Demonstration of Production Version 2.0 of the LSN - Matt Schmit, NRC
- 10:30 - 10:45 am Break
- 10:45 - 11:15 am Equipment and Software Products Useful for Small Collection Automation - Joseph Turner, NRC
- 10:45 - 11:15 am Public Access via NRC & DOE Reading Rooms and Nevada Libraries
- 11:15 -12:00 pm Public Access via NRC and DOE Reading Rooms and Nevada Libraries - Margie Janney, NRC and DOE Representative
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 - 1:20 pm System Upgrade Prior to License Application - Matt Schmit, NRC
- 1:20 - 1:35 pm Impact of Homeland Security Reviews on Document Access via the LSN - Dan Graser, NRC
- 1:35 - 2:30 pm Open Discussion and Public Comments on Thursday Topics - Panel/Public
- Adjourn