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NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR WASTE TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, JANUARY 13-14

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will meet on January 13-14, in Rockville, Maryland, to discuss the proposed Yucca Mountain high-level waste repository, among other things.

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.

On Thursday, January 13, the meeting will start at 5 p.m. and include the preparation of committee letters on the Department of Energy's Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, the rubblization (or demolition and burying of foundation parts of former nuclear facilities) decommissioning option, and the NRC's proposed high-level waste regulation.

The following day's agenda will begin at noon with continued letter writing and could include ACNW planning and procedures.

Although ACNW meetings are open, they are not part of the agency's normal hearing process. The ACNW is an advisory group established by the NRC in 1988 to provide the agency with independent technical review and advice on the disposal of nuclear waste.

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. A detailed ACNW meeting agenda, transcripts and letter reports are available on the internet, at http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW

Those seeking additional information on opportunities to present oral statements or on final schedule changes, should contact Richard Major, at 301-415-7366.

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