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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 November 4-6 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 agenda:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

8:30 - 9:15 a.m. -- Preparation for meeting with the Commission.

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. -- Meeting with Commission.

1:00 - 1:15 p.m. -- Opening remarks by the ACRS Chairman.

1:15 - 2:45 p.m. -- Proposed revision to Section 11 of NUMARC 93-01, assessment of risk resulting from performance of maintenance activities.

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. -- NRC Safety Research Program Report to the Commission.

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. -- Break and preparation of draft ACRS reports.

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

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

8:35 - 10:00 a.m. -- Proposed changes to the design control document associated with the AP600 Design.

10:15 - 11:45 a.m. -- Discussion of spent fuel fire risk associated with decommissioning.

12:45 - 1:45 p.m. -- Status resolution of issues associated with design bases information.

1:45 - 2:15 p.m. -- Discussion of future ACRS activities.

2:30 - 3:00 p.m. -- Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee.

3:00 - 3:15 p.m. -- Reconciliation of the ACRS comments and recommendations.

3:15 - 4:00 p.m. -- Break and preparation of draft ACRS reports.

4:15 - 7:00 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. -- Discussion of proposed ACRS reports.

2:00 - 2:30 p.m. -- Miscellaneous.

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

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 Sam Duraiswamy, at 301-415-7364.

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