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NOTE TO EDITORS:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) has scheduled meetings of its subcommittees on thermal-hydraulic phenomena and severe accident management September 15-17 in Rockville, Maryland.

Both meetings will be held in the agency's Two White Flint North building at 11545 Rockville Pike.

The subcommittee on thermal-hydraulic phenomena, meeting September 15-16, will continue its review of the Office of Research's thermal-hydraulic research program, including its plan for consolidating codes and the proposed resolution of generic safety issue 23: "Reactor Coolant Pump Seal Failures." The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day in room T-2B1.

The subcommittee on severe accident management, meeting September 16-17, will review the modifications proposed by the Combustion Engineering Owners Group to the post accident sampling system requirements for their nuclear plants. They will also review the status of NRC staff and nuclear industry activities pertaining to the issue of control room integrity. The meeting September 16 will be held in room T-2B1 beginning at 1:00 p.m; the meeting on September 17 will be held in room T-2B3 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Those wishing to make oral statements or to confirm the schedule should notify Paul Boehnert, 301-415-8065, in advance. Other aspects of the meeting, including opportunities for public comment, will be described in a forthcoming edition of the Federal Register. ACRS meting notices, transcripts and letter reports are available on the internet, at http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW.

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