

NRC NEWS

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Office of Public Affairs Telephone: 301/415-8200 Washington, DC 20555-001 E-mail: opa@nrc.gov

Web Site: http://www.nrc.gov/OPA

No. 01-060 May 23, 2001

NRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS TO MEET IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, ON JUNE 6-8

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) has scheduled a meeting on June 6-8 in Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting, which will be open to the public, will be held in Room T-2B3 of the agency's Two White Flint North building, at 11545 Rockville Pike, beginning at 8:30 a.m. each day. A complete agenda is attached.

For additional information or agenda changes, contact Jim Lyons at 301-415-7371. ACRS meeting notices, transcripts and letters are available on the internet, at http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW/.

ACRS Agenda

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2001

- <u>8:30 A.M. 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman</u> (Open) The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.
- 8:35 A.M. 11:20 A.M.: Proposed Risk-Informed Revisions to 10 CFR 50.46 and Proposed Revisions to the Framework for Risk-Informing the Technical Requirements of 10 CFR Part 50 (Open) The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding proposed risk-informed revisions to 10 CFR 50.46, "Acceptance Criteria for Emergency Core Cooling Systems for Light-Water Nuclear Power Reactors," and proposed revisions to the framework for risk-informing the technical requirements of 10 CFR Part 50.
- 11:20 A.M. 12:15 P.M.: Potential Margin Reductions Associated with Power Uprates (Open) The Committee will hear a presentation by and hold discussions with ACRS Senior Fellow, Dr. A. W. Cronenberg, regarding his views on the adequacy of the staff's review process for power uprates and potential safety margin reductions associated with power uprates.
- 1:15 P.M. 3:15 P.M.: Draft Final Safety Evaluation Report for the South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) Request to Exclude Certain Components from the Scope of Special Treatment Requirements Required by Regulations (Open) The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the draft final Safety Evaluation Report on the STPNOC exemption request.
- 3:35 P.M. 4:30 P.M.: Discussion of General Design Criteria (Open) The Committee will hear a presentation by and hold discussions with Mr. J. N. Sorensen, ACRS Senior Fellow, regarding his views on risk-informing General Design Criteria included in Appendix A to 10 CFR Part 50.
- <u>4:50 P.M. 7:00 P.M. : Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports</u> (Open) The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting, as well as proposed ACRS reports on: Risk-Based Performance Indicators; Response to the EDO's letter of April 12, 2001 on Topics Raised by the ACRS Pertaining to Issues Associated with Industry Use of Thermal-Hydraulic Codes; and Response to NRC Chairman Meserve's May 7, 2001 Memorandum Regarding Differing Professional Opinion on Steam Generator Tube Issues.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2001

- <u>8:30 A.M. 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman</u> (Open) The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.
- 8:35 A.M. 9:45 A.M.: Need to Revise 10 CFR Part 54, "Requirements for Renewal of Operating Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants" (Open) The Committee will discuss the need for revising 10 CFR Part 54.
- 10:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M.: Regulatory Challenges for Advanced Power Reactors (Open) The Committee will discuss follow-up matters resulting from the June 4-5, 2001 Workshop of the ACRS Subcommittee on Advanced Reactors and develop a course of action for dealing with these matters in the future.
- 11:00 A.M. 11:45 A.M.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open) The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings. Also, it will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, and organizational and personnel matters relating to the ACRS.
- 11:45 A.M. 12:00 Noon: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations (Open) The Committee will discuss the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters. The EDO responses are expected to be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting.
- 1:00 P.M. 1:30 P.M.: Arrangements for the Visit to the Waterford Plant and Region IV Office (Open) The Committee will discuss arrangements and logistics for the June 27-28, 2001, visit to the Waterford Plant and NRC Region IV Office.
- <u>1:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.: Discussion of Proposed ACRS Reports</u> (Open) The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2001

- 8:30 A.M. 8:35 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)
- 8:35 A.M. 9:00 A.M.: Proposed ACRS Reports (Open) The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.
- 9:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M.: Meeting with Commissioner Dicus (Open) The Committee will meet with NRC Commissioner Dicus to discuss items of mutual interest.
- <u>10:15 A.M. 2:30 P.M.: Proposed ACRS Reports</u> (Open) The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports.
- <u>2:30 P.M. 3:00 P.M.: Miscellaneous</u> (Open) The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

###