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NRC LICENSING SUPPORT NETWORK ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL TO MEET AUGUST 8 IN LAS VEGAS

A Nuclear Regulatory Commission advisory review panel will meet August 8 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 possible 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 the meeting for the public to ask questions or make brief statements regarding the network.

The meeting of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 4255 South Paradise Road.

NRC regulations require all potential participants in the license application hearing process for a potential high-level nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain to make their documents available in electronic form through participants' individual web sites on a Licensing Support Network (LSN). The documents that will have to be made available on this network will consist of the information that a party, potential party or interested government participant intends to rely on in the licensing proceeding, and certain other relevant information. The web sites will be accessible to members of the public.

The Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel was established by the NRC in 1989 (under a slightly different name) to provide advice to the agency on issues relating to LSN design, operation, maintenance and compliance monitoring. Members of the panel are representatives from the NRC; Department of Energy; State of Nevada; Nye, Churchill, Clark, Esmeralda, Eureka, Inyo, Lander, Lincoln, Mineral and White Pine Counties; 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. Chairman of the panel is Andrew L. Bates of the NRC's Office of the Secretary of the Commission.

A copy of the agenda for the meeting is attached.

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Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel
Open Meeting
August 8, 2001

Meeting Agenda

8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Opening Remarks and Introductions
8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Progress Report of the LSN Administrator
9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	LSN Basics and Overview of the Rule, Including Most Recent Revisions
10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	LSN Administrator Guidelines & Functional Requirements
11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Guideline 14: Clarification on Updating Documents
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Hardware, Software & Cost Profile for Small Participant Systems
1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Demo of the Website
2:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	NRC Project for Electronic Information Exchange (EIE) of Adjudicatory Documents
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	DOE Strategic Approach to Meeting LSN Requirements
3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Roundtable Discussion Items/Participant Items
4:00 p.m. - Close	Public Comments and Questions on LSN-Related Matters