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NRC MEETING AUG. 20 TO DISCUSS DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING ASSURANCE FOR NUCLEAR REACTORS

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with industry, state officials and members of the public on Thursday, Aug. 20, to discuss the agency's oversight of ensuring proper decommissioning funding for U.S. commercial nuclear reactors; the draft Regulatory Guide 1229 (DG-1229), "Assuring the Availability of Funds for Decommissioning Nuclear Reactors;" and the reasoning behind the Guide's approach, which currently is out for public comment.

The meeting, which is open to the public and available on the Internet, is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. at the Bethesda North Marriott, 5701 Marinelli Road in North Bethesda, Md. The NRC staff will explain the Biennial Decommissioning Funding Report Analysis process and the draft DG-1229, including:

- how the NRC determines the minimum decommissioning formula; how the NRC determines if a nuclear power plant licensee demonstrates reasonable decommissioning funding assurance; the steps taken to address funding shortfalls; and what the NRC expects from nuclear plant licensees.
- the history behind NRC's decommissioning funding assurance regulations; and the reasons for proposed changes in the draft DG-1229.

The public is invited to attend the meeting and will have an opportunity during the session to ask questions and receive more information from NRC staff.

Teleconferencing and Webinar broadcasting will be available for interested members of the public unable to travel to the meeting. Webinar participants can view NRC's presentations online, as well as take part in discussions on the proposal. For more information, or to register for the meeting please contact Aaron L. Szabo, NRR/DPR at (301) 415-1985 or via e-mail at aaron.szabo@nrc.gov.

More information on the meeting can be accessed on the NRC's Web site at:
<http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm>.

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