

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**Special Emphasis Panel in Information, Robotics, and Intelligent Systems; Notice of Meeting**

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Information, Robotics and Intelligent Systems (1200).

Date and Time: May 11-14, 1998, 8:30 am-5:00 pm.

Place: The River Inn, 924 25th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Gary Strong, Acting Deputy Division Director, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, (703) 306-1928.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate Information and Data Management Program proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: April 20, 1998.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. IA97-068 and ASLBP No. 97-731-01-EA]

Atomic Safety and Licensing Board; Notice of Evidentiary Hearing

In the Matter of Aharon Ben-Haim, Ph.D., Upper Montclair, New Jersey, Order Superseding Order Prohibiting Involvement in NRC-Licensed Activities (Effective Immediately); Before Administrative Judges: Charles Bechhoefer, Chairman Dr. Jerry R. Kline, Dr. Peter S. Lam, and Dr. Harry Rein, Special Assistant
April 20, 1998.

This proceeding concerns the request of Dr. Aharon Ben-Haim for a hearing with respect to the Order Superseding Order Prohibiting Involvement in NRC Licensed Activities (Effective Immediately), dated August 27, 1997, published at 62 Fed. Reg. 47224 (September 8, 1997). The parties to the

proceeding are Dr. Ben-Haim and the NRC Staff. The issue to be considered is whether the Superseding Order should be sustained—in particular, whether the NRC Staff's currently effective suspension of Dr. Ben-Haim from serving as a consultant or otherwise being involved with respect to NRC-licensed activities should be continued for a period of five years from July 31, 1997, as a result of alleged deliberate violations of NRC requirements.

Notice is hereby given that, as set forth in the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's Memorandum and Order (Schedules for Proceeding), dated March 2, 1996, the evidentiary hearing in this proceeding will commence on Wednesday, May 27, 1998, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at Room 206 (second floor), 970 Broad Street (enter on Walnut Street), Newark, New Jersey 07102. The hearing will continue, to the extent necessary, on May 28-29, 1998, at that same location, beginning at 9:00 a.m. each day. (The sessions are expected to adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. daily.)

As provided by our March 2, 1998 Memorandum and Order, and consistent with 10 CFR 2.743(b)(3), written direct testimony of the parties need not be utilized, but the parties must file (mail) by Friday, May 15, 1998 (Monday, May 18, if express mail is utilized), lists of witnesses and documents they propose to use, together with statements of the qualifications of those witnesses (*curriculum vitae*). (If either of the parties elects to use written direct testimony, such statements should be filed (mailed) by the same dates.)

Notice is also hereby given that, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.715(a), the Licensing Board will hear oral limited appearance statements on Wednesday, May 27, 1998, at the outset of the hearing and in the aforementioned hearing room. A person not a party to the proceeding will be permitted to make such a statement, setting forth his or her position on the issues. The number of persons making oral statements and the time allotted for each statement may be limited depending on the number of persons present at the designated time. (Normally, each oral statement may extend for up to five (5) minutes.) These statements do not constitute testimony or evidence but may assist the Licensing Board and parties in defining the scope of the issues in the proceeding.

Requests to make oral statements may be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Docketing and Service Branch, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555. A copy of each such request should also

be submitted to Judge Charles Bechhoefer, Chairman of this Licensing Board, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ASLBP, T-3 F23, Washington, D.C. 20555.

Documents relating to this proceeding are on file at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20555, and at the Commission's Region I office, 475 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406-1415.

Rockville, Maryland April 20, 1998.

For the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board.

Charles Bechhoefer,

Chairman, Administrative Judge.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-423]

Central Maine Power Company; Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3, Notice of Consideration of Issuance of an Order Regarding Restructuring of Central Maine Power Company

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of an Order approving, under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.80, an application regarding the proposed corporate restructuring of Central Maine Power Company (CMP), which holds a partial ownership interest in Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3. By application dated March 4, 1998, CMP, by and through its counsel, Morgan, Lewis, and Bockius, informed the Commission that it is proposing to become a wholly owned subsidiary of a newly created holding company, HoldCo, which will be renamed later. Northeast Nuclear Energy Company will remain the licensed operator of Millstone Unit 3 and is not involved in the transaction. No direct transfer of the license or any interest therein will occur. Under the restructuring, the holders of CMP common stock will become the holders of the common stock of the holding company. After the restructuring, CMP will continue to be a public utility providing the same utility services as it did immediately prior to the restructuring, and will continue to be an "electric utility" under Commission regulations. According to the application, there will be no effect on the management, or sources of funds for operation, maintenance, or decommissioning, of