

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, the scheduling of sessions open to the public, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff person, Dr. John T. Larkins (telephone: 301/415-7360) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EST). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any changes in schedule, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

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Acting Associate Director for Technical Support, ACRS/ACNW.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Weeks of March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, and 17, 2000.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of March 13

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of March 13.

Week of March 20—Tentative

Wednesday, March 22

9:25 a.m. Affirmative Session (Public Meeting) (if needed).

Friday, March 24

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Evaluation of the Requirement for Licensee to Update Their Inservice Inspection and Inservice Testing Program Every 120 Months (Public Meeting) (Contact: Tom Scarbrough, 301-415-2794).

Week of March 27—Tentative

Thursday, March 30

8:55 a.m. Affirmation/Discussion and Vote (Public Meeting) (If needed).

9:00 a.m. Briefing on EEO Program (Public Meeting) (Contact: Irene Little, 301-415-7380).

Friday, March 31

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Risk-Informed Regulation Implementation Plan (Public Meeting) (Contact: Tom King, 301-415-5790).

Week of April 3—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 3.

Week of April 10—Tentative

There are not meetings scheduled for the Week of April 10.

Week of April 17—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of April 17.

*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Bill Hill (301) 415-1661.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: By a vote of 5-0 on March 8, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552(b)(e) and § 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that "Discussion of the Intragovernmental Issues" (Closed-Ex. 9) be held on March 8, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/SECY/smj/schedule.htm>

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Dated: March 10, 2000.

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SECY Tracking Officer, Office of the Secretary.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Interest Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These

rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or are derivable from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's web site (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).

DATES: The interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in March 2000. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in April 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024. (For TTY/TDD users, call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. The rate is the "applicable percentage" (currently 85 percent) of the annual yield on 30-year Treasury securities for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid (the "premium payment year"). The yield figure is reported in Federal Reserve Statistical Releases G.13 and H.15.

The assumed interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in March 2000 is 5.30 percent (*i.e.*, 85 percent of the 6.23 percent yield figure for February 2000).

The following table lists the assumed interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between April 1999 and March 2000.

For premium payment years beginning in	The assumed interest rate is
April 1999	4.74
May 1999	4.72
June 1999	4.94
July 1999	5.13
August 1999	5.08
September 1999	5.16
October 1999	5.16
November 1999	5.32
December 1999	5.23
January 2000	5.40
February 2000	5.64