

**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION****Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards****Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting**

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on February 4, 2004, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

*Wednesday, February 4, 2004—12 Noon–1:30 P.M.*

The Subcommittee will discuss proposed ACRS activities and related matters. The Subcommittee will gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Members of the public desiring to provide oral statements and/or written comments should notify the Designated Federal Official, Mr. Sam Duraiswamy (telephone: 301-415-7364) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (ET) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public.

Further information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Official between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (ET). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual at least two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes in the agenda.

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In accordance with the purposes of sections 29 and 182b. of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232b), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) will hold a meeting on February 5-7, 2004, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The date of this meeting was previously published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, November 21, 2003 (68 FR 65743).

**Thursday, February 5, 2004, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

*8:30 a.m.–8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)*—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

*8:35 a.m.–10:30 a.m.: ESBWR Design—Thermal-Hydraulic Issues (Open/Closed)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff on the use of the TRAC-G computer code to perform analyses of the Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor (ESBWR) design.

**Note:** A portion of this session may be closed to discuss General Electric proprietary information applicable to this matter.

*10:45 a.m.–11:45 a.m.: South Texas Project Cause Investigation of the Reactor Vessel Bottom Mounted Penetration Leakage (Open)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the South Texas Project investigation of the cause of the leakage from reactor vessel bottom mounted penetration.

*12:45 p.m.–2:45 p.m.: Resolution of Certain Items Identified by the ACRS in NUREG-1740 Related to the Differing Professional Opinion (DPO) on Steam Generator Tube Integrity (Open)*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the staff's resolution of certain items identified by the ACRS in NUREG-1740, "Voltage-Based Alternative Repair Criteria," related to the DPO on steam generator tube integrity, as well as the status of resolution of the remaining items.

*3 p.m.–4 p.m.: Evaluation of the Effectiveness (Quality) of the NRC Safety Research Programs (Open)*—The Committee will discuss a proposed approach for the ACRS evaluation of the

effectiveness (quality) of the NRC Safety Research Programs.

*4 p.m.–7 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)*—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting as well as a proposed report on the NRC Safety Research Program.

**Friday, February 6, 2004, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

*8:30 a.m.–8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)*—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

*8:35 a.m.–12:30 p.m.: ACRS Report on the NRC Safety Research Program (Open)*—The Committee will discuss the draft ACRS report to the Commission on the NRC Safety Research Program.

*1:30 p.m.–2 p.m.: Subcommittee Report—ACR-700 Design (Open)*—The Committee will hear a report by and discussions with the Chairman of the ACRS Subcommittee on Future Plant Designs regarding the Subcommittee's review of the design features of the ACR-700 design and related matters.

*2 p.m.–3 p.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, including anticipated workload and member assignments.

*3 p.m.–3:15 p.m.: 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.

*3:30 p.m.–7 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)*—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

**Saturday, February 7, 2004, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

*8:30 a.m.–12 Noon: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)*—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

*12 Noon–12:30 p.m.: Miscellaneous (Open)*—The Committee will discuss