Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action. In addition, in promulgating its revisions to 10 CFR part 73, the Commission prepared an environmental assessment and published a finding of no significant impact [part 73, Power Reactor Security Requirements, 74 FR 13926 (March 27, 2009)].

The NRC staff’s safety evaluation will be provided in the exemption that will be issued as part of the letter to the licensee approving the exemption to the regulation, if granted.

Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed actions, the NRC staff considered denial of the proposed action (i.e., the “no-action” alternative). Denial of the exemption request would result in no change in current environmental impacts. If the proposed action was denied, the licensee would have to comply with the March 31, 2010, implementation deadline. The environmental impacts of the proposed exemption and the “no-action” alternative are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

The action does not involve the use of any different resources than those considered in the Final Environmental Statement for Waterford 3, dated September 1981.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on February 18, 2010, the NRC staff consulted with the Louisiana State official, Ms. Cheryl Chubb of the Radiological Emergency Preparedness & Response offices of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee’s letter dated January 19, 2010, as supplemented by letter dated February 17, 2010. Portions of the letters dated January 14, 2010, and February 17, 2010, contain Security-Related information and, accordingly, are not available to the public. Other parts of these documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O–1F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland 20852. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site: http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, or send an e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day of March 2010.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

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 April 8–10, 2010, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The date of this meeting was previously published in the Federal Register on Monday, October 14, 2009, (74 FR 52829–52830).

Thursday, April 8, 2010, Conference Room T2–B1, 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 a.m.: Draft Final Interim Staff Guidance (ISG) DC/COL–ISG–016, “Compliance with 10 CFR 50.54(h)(2) and 10 CFR 52.80(d)” (Open/Closed)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding Draft Final DC/COL–ISG–016, “Compliance with 10 CFR 50.54(h)(2) and 10 CFR 52.80(d),” and the NRC staff’s resolution of public comments.

[Note: A portion of this session may be closed to protect unclassified safeguards information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3).]

10:15 a.m.–12 p.m.: Selected Chapters of the Safety Evaluation Report (SER) with Open Items Associated with the Review of the U.S. Evolutionary Power Reactor (USEPR) Design Certification Application (Open/Closed)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and AREVA NP regarding Chapters 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, and 17 of the SER with Open Items associated with the review of the USEPR Design Certification Application.

[Note: A portion of this session may be closed to protect information that is proprietary to AREVA NP and its contractors pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4).]

1 p.m.–4 p.m.: Supplement 3 to General Electric (GE) Topical Report NEDC–33173PA, “Applicability of GE Methods to Expanded Operating Domains” (Open/Closed)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and GE regarding Supplement 3 to GE Topical Report NEDC–33173PA, “Applicability of GE Methods to Expanded Operating Domains.”

[Note: A portion of this session may be closed to protect information that is proprietary to GE and its contractors pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4).]

4:15 p.m.–7 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open/Closed)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters discussed during this meeting.

[Note: A portion of this session may be closed to protect unclassified safeguards information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3).]

Friday, April 9, 2010, Conference Room T2–B1, 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.–9:30 a.m.: Final ISG ESP/DC/COL–ISG–015, “Post-Combined License Commitments” (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding Final ESP/DC/COL–ISG–015, “Post-Combined License Commitments” and the NRC staff’s resolution of public comments.

9:45 a.m.–11:15 a.m.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open/Closed)—The Committee will discuss
the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the Full Committee during future ACRS meetings, including anticipated workload and member assignments. [Note: A portion of this session 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.]

11:15 a.m.–11:30 a.m.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations (Open)—The Committee will discuss responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters.

12:30 p.m.–7 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open/Closed)—The Committee will discuss the proposed ACRS reports on matters discussed during this meeting. [Note: A portion of this session may be closed to protect unclassified safeguards information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3).]

Saturday, April 10, 2010, Conference Room T2–B1, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open/Closed)—The Committee will continue its discussion of proposed ACRS reports. [Note: A portion of this session may be closed to protect unclassified safeguards information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3).]

12:30 p.m.–1 p.m.: Miscellaneous (Open)—The Committee will continue its discussion related to the conduct of Committee activities and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the Federal Register on October 14, 2009, (74 FR 52829–52830). In accordance with those procedures, oral or written views may be presented by members of the public, including representatives of the nuclear industry. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Mr. Derek Widmayer, Cognizant ACRS Staff (Telephone: 301–415–7366, E-mail: Derek.Widmayer@nrc.gov), five days before the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow necessary time during the meeting for such statements. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with the Cognizant ACRS staff if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided 30 minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be e-mailed to the Cognizant ACRS Staff one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the Cognizant ACRS Staff with a CD containing each presentation at least 30 minutes before the meeting.

In accordance with Subsection 10(d) Public Law 92–463, and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), certain portions of this meeting may be closed, as specifically noted above. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during the meeting may be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the Chairman. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during the open portions of the meeting.

ACRS meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available through the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) at pdr.resource@nrc.gov, or by calling the PDR at 1–800–397–4209, or from the Publicly Available Records System component of NRC’s document system which is accessible from the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/readingrm/adams.html or http://www.nrc.gov/readingrm/doc-collections/ACRS/.

Video teleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACRS meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACRS meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACRS Audio Visual Technician (301–415–8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. (ET), at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service.

Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment and facilities that they use to establish the video teleconferencing link. The availability of video teleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: March 17, 2010.

Andrew L. Bates, Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETINGS: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATES: Weeks of March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2010.

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

STATUS: Public and Closed.

Week of March 22, 2010

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of March 22, 2010.

Week of March 29, 2010—Tentative

Tuesday, March 30, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Safety Culture (Public Meeting) (Contact: Jose Ibarra, 301–415–2581).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov.

Week of April 5, 2010—Tentative

Tuesday, April 6, 2010

9 a.m. Periodic Briefing on New Reactor Issues—Design Certifications (Public Meeting) (Contact: Amy Snyder, 301–415–6822).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov.

Thursday, April 8, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Regional Programs—Programs, Performance, and Future Plans (Public Meeting) (Contact: Richard Barkley, 610–337–5065).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov.

Week of April 12, 2010—Tentative

Thursday, April 15, 2010


This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov.

Week of April 19, 2010—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of April 19, 2010.

Week of April 26, 2010—Tentative

Thursday, April 29, 2010

9:30 a.m. Briefing on the Fuel Cycle Oversight Process Revisions (Public Meeting) (Contact: Michael Raddatz, 301–492–3108).