procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the Federal Register on October 18, 2012, (77 FR 64146–64147). Detailed meeting agendas and meeting transcripts are available on the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acrs. Information regarding topics to be discussed, changes to the agenda, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the time allotted to present oral statements can be obtained from the Web site cited above or by contacting the identified DFO. Moreover, 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 these references if such rescheduling would result in a major inconvenience.

If attending this meeting, please enter through the One White Flint North building, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. After registering with security, please contact Mr. Theron Brown (Telephone 240–888–9835) to be escorted to the meeting room.

Dated: October 31, 2013.

Cayetano Santos,
Chief, Technical Support Branch, Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS); Meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee on Advanced Boiling Water Reactor; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Advanced Boiling Water Reactor (ABWR) will hold a meeting on November 22, 2013, Room T–2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting will be open to public attendance with the exception of a portion that may be closed to protect information that is proprietary pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(c)(4). The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Friday, November 22, 2013—8:30 a.m. Until 5:00 p.m.

The Subcommittee will review Chapter 3 of the Safety Evaluation Report, including Section 3.9.2 on reactor internal vibrations and excluding Sections 3.7 and 3.8 on seismic design, associated with the combined license application (COLA) for South Texas Project (STP) Units 3 and 4. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with the applicant (Nuclear Innovation North America), the NRC staff, and other interested persons regarding these 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 (DFO), Maitri Banerjee (Telephone 301–415–6973 or Email: Maitri.Banerjee@nrc.gov) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Thirty-five hard copies of each presentation or handout should be provided to the DFO thirty minutes before the meeting. In addition, one electronic copy of each presentation should be emailed to the DFO one day before the meeting. If an electronic copy cannot be provided within this timeframe, presenters should provide the DFO with a CD containing each presentation at least thirty minutes before the meeting. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Detailed procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the Federal Register on October 18, 2012, (77 FR 64146–64147).

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NRC–2013–0246; IA–13–024

In the Matter of Landon E. Brittain; Order Prohibiting Involvement In NRC-Licensed Activities (Effective Immediately)

I

Landon E. Brittain was formerly employed as a senior reactor operator (SRO) at the Exelon Dresden Nuclear Power Station (Dresden Station). Mr. Brittain was the holder of SRO license No. SOP–32151 issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) pursuant to Part 55 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR). The license authorized Mr. Brittain to manipulate the controls of the Dresden Station, Facility License Nos. DPR–19 and DPR–25, located in Morris, Illinois. Dresden Station requested the termination of Mr. Brittain’s license, and on June 25, 2012, the license was terminated by the NRC.

II

An investigation was initiated by the NRC Office of Investigations on June 6, 2012, to determine if Mr. Brittain, an equipment operator, or other personnel had knowledge of another SRO planning to commit a violent crime off-site and willfully failed to report that SRO to management for aberrant behavior. This investigation revealed that in mid-July 2011, Mr. Brittain, along with another SRO, began planning and attempted to recruit other resources to assist in an armored car robbery.

However, on May 9, 2012, the other SRO was apprehended by police after hijacking a car at gunpoint. That SRO was later released on bail and apparently fled the country. Although at the time Mr. Brittain was not charged for the crime, he fled the country, was later apprehended in Venezuela, and has been extradited to the United States. As of the date of this Order, Mr. Brittain is under indictment for aggravated vehicular hijacking, vehicular hijacking, and obstruction of justice.

Section 73.56(h)(3) of 10 CFR requires, in part, that individuals who are subject to an access authorization program, at a minimum, report any concerns arising from behavioral observation, including,
but not limited to, concerns related to any questionable behavior patterns or activities of others to the reviewing official, his or her supervisor, or other management personnel designated in their site procedures. Exelon Procedure, SY–AA–103–513, “Behavioral Observation,” Step 3.2.2 requires, in part, that individuals with unescorted access report to their supervisor when an individual is exhibiting unusual or aberrant behavior. Despite these requirements, Mr. Brittain failed to report his observations regarding his coworker’s unusual or aberrant behavior to his supervisor.

III

Due to the failure to report the questionable behavior of his fellow employee, and the egregiousness of Mr. Brittain’s apparent criminal activities related to the carjacking, and the planning of such activities with his fellow employee, and pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, and 1610 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, the NRC has determined that Mr. Brittain has demonstrated a lack of trustworthiness that falls below the standard necessary to promote the common defense and security, protect health, or to minimize danger to life or property. Consequently, I lack the requisite reasonable assurance that licensed activities can be conducted in compliance with the Commission’s requirements, and that the health and safety of the public will be protected if Mr. Brittain were permitted at this time to be involved in NRC-licensed activities. Therefore, the public health, safety and interest require that Mr. Brittain be prohibited from any involvement in NRC-licensed activities until such time that he can provide the NRC that reasonable assurance exists, that licensed activities can be conducted in compliance with the Commission’s requirements. Furthermore, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202, I find that the significance of Mr. Brittain’s conduct described above is such that the public health, safety and interest require that this Order be immediately effective.

IV

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 81, 161b, 161i, 1610, 182, and 186 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission’s regulations in 10 CFR 2.202, it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that:

1. Landen E. Brittain is prohibited from engaging in, supervising, directing, or in any other way conducting NRC-licensed activities. NRC-licensed activities are those activities that are conducted pursuant to a specific or general license issued by the NRC, including, but not limited to, those activities of Agreement State licensees conducted in the NRC’s jurisdiction pursuant to the authority granted by 10 CFR 150.20.

2. If Landen E. Brittain is currently involved with NRC-licensed activities, he must immediately cease those activities, and inform the NRC of the name, address and telephone number of the employer, and provide a copy of this Order to the employer.

3. The Director, Office of Enforcement, will consider lifting the prohibitions set forth in this Order only upon an adequate showing by Landen E. Brittain of corrective actions sufficient to demonstrate reasonable assurance that he will comply with NRC requirements. To attempt such a showing, Mr. Brittain must participate in a discussion with NRC. To schedule a meeting, Mr. Brittain may contact the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001. The Director, Office of Enforcement, or designee, may, in writing, relax or rescind any of the above conditions upon demonstration by Mr. Brittain of good cause.

V

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.202, Mr. Brittain must submit a written answer to this Order under oath or affirmation within 30 days of the date of this Order. Mr. Brittain’s failure to respond to this Order could result in additional enforcement action in accordance with the Commission’s Enforcement Policy. Any person adversely affected by this Order may submit a written answer within 30 days from the date of this Order. In addition, Mr. Brittain and any other person adversely affected by this Order may request a hearing on this Order within 30 days from the date of this Order. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the time to answer or request a hearing. A request for extension of time must be made in writing to the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, and include a statement of good cause for the extension.

All documents filed in NRC adjudicatory proceedings, including a request for hearing, a petition for leave to intervene, any motion or other document filed in the proceeding prior to the submission of a request for hearing or petition to intervene, and documents filed by interested governmental entities stipulating under 10 CFR 2.315(c), must be filed in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule (72 FR 49139, August 28, 2007). The E-Filing process requires participants to submit and serve all adjudicatory documents over the internet, or in some cases to mail copies on electronic storage media. Participants may not submit paper copies of their filings unless they seek an exemption in accordance with the procedures described below.

To comply with the procedural requirements of E-Filing, at least ten (10) days prior to the filing deadline, the participant should contact the Office of the Secretary by email at hearing.docket@nrc.gov, or by telephone at 301–415–1677, to request (1) a digital identification (ID) certificate, which allows the participant (or its counsel or representative) to digitally sign documents and access the E-Submittal server for any proceeding in which it is participating; and (2) advise the Secretary that the participant will be submitting a request or petition for hearing (even in instances in which the participant, or its counsel or representative, already holds an NRC-issued digital ID certificate). Based upon this information, the Secretary will establish an electronic docket for the hearing in this proceeding if the Secretary has not already established an electronic docket.

Information about applying for a digital ID certificate is available on the NRC’s public Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals/apply-certificates.html. System requirements for accessing the E-Submittal server are detailed in the NRC’s “Guidance for Electronic Submission,” which is available on the agency’s public Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html. Participants may attempt to use other software not listed on the Web site, but should note that the NRC’s E-Filing system does not support unlisted software, and the NRC Meta System Help Desk will not be able to offer assistance in using unlisted software.

If a participant is electronically submitting a document to the NRC in accordance with the E-Filing rule, the participant must file the document using the NRC’s online, Web-based submission form. In order to serve documents through the Electronic Information Exchange System, users will be required to install a Web browser plug-in from the NRC’s Web site. Further information on the Web-based submission form, including the installation of the Web browser plug-in, is available on the NRC’s public Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html.
Once a participant has obtained a digital ID certificate and a docket has been created, the participant can then submit a request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene. Submissions should be in Portable Document Format (PDF) in accordance with NRC guidance available on the NRC’s public Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html. A filing is considered complete at the time the documents are submitted through the NRC’s E-Filing system. To be timely, an electronic filing must be submitted to the E-Filing system no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the due date. Upon receipt of a transmission, the E-Filing system time-stamps the document and sends the submitter an email notice confirming receipt of the document. The E-Filing system also distributes an email notice that provides access to the document to the NRC’s Office of the General Counsel and any others who have advised the Office of the Secretary that they wish to participate in the proceeding, so that the filer need not serve the documents on those participants separately. Therefore, applicants and other participants (or their counsel or representative) must apply for and receive a digital ID certificate before a hearing request/petition to intervene is filed so that they can obtain access to the document via the E-Filing system.

A person filing electronically using the NRC’s adjudicatory E-Filing system may seek assistance by contacting the NRC’s Meta System Help Desk through the “Contact Us” link located on the NRC’s public Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html, by email to MSHD.Resource@nrc.gov, or by a toll-free call at 866–672–7640. The NRC Meta System Help Desk is available between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, excluding government holidays.

Participants who believe that they have a good cause for not submitting documents electronically must file an exemption request in accordance with 10 CFR 2.302(g), with their initial paper filing, if any other personnel had knowledge of Mr. Buhrman planning to commit a violent crime off-site. This investigation revealed that in mid-July 2011, Mr. Burhman, along with another SRO, revealed that in mid-July 2011, Mr. Buhrman was the holder of SRO License Number SOP–32152 issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) pursuant to Part 55 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR).

The license authorized Mr. Buhrman to manipulate the controls of the Dresden Station, Facility License Nos. DPR–19 and DPR–25, located in Morris, Illinois. Dresden Station requested the termination of Mr. Buhrman’s license, and on June 25, 2012, the license was terminated by the NRC.

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However, on May 9, 2012, Mr. Buhrman was apprehended by police after hijacking a car at gunpoint, released on bail and fled the country. On April 17, 2013, Mr. Buhrman was tried in absentia, found guilty of aggravated vehicular hijacking and on May 15, 2013, sentenced to a 40-year prison term.

III.
Due to the egregiousness of Mr. Buhrman’s criminal activities related to the carjacking, and the planning of such activities with his fellow employee, and pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, and