

the Federal Register on Monday, November 27, 1995 (60 FR 58393).

Thursday, September 12, 1996

8:30 A.M.–8:45 A.M.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding conduct of the meeting and comment briefly regarding items of current interest. During this session, the Committee will discuss priorities for preparation of ACRS reports.

8:45 A.M.–10:45 A.M.: Adequacy of the Codes to Analyze Steam Generator Tube Temperature Distributions During Severe Accidents (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the adequacy of the NRC codes to analyze steam generator tube temperature distributions during severe-accident conditions.

Representatives of the industry will participate, as appropriate.

11:00 A.M.–11:15 A.M.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations (Open)—The Committee will discuss responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports. The EDO responses are expected to be provided in writing to the ACRS prior to the meeting.

11:15 A.M.–11:45 A.M.: Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open/Closed)—The Committee will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, and organizational and personnel matters relating to ACRS.

A portion of this session may be closed to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of this Advisory Committee, and matters the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

11:45 A.M.–12:15 P.M.: Future ACRS Activities (Open)—The Committee will discuss recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings.

1:15 P.M.–2:45 P.M.: Indian Point Unit 3 (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the Indian Point Unit 3 licensee (New York Power Authority) regarding the resolution of issues that led to the shutdown of Indian Point Unit 3, and the status of resolution of new issues since the restart of the plant in June 1995.

Representatives of the NRC staff will participate.

3:00 P.M.–5:00 P.M.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

5:15 P.M.–7:00 P.M.: Strategic Planning (Open)—The Committee will continue its discussion of items that are of significant importance to NRC, including rebaselining of the Committee activities for FY 97.

Friday, September 13, 1996

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

8:35 A.M.–10:30 A.M.: Meeting with the Director of the NRC Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES) (Open)—The Committee will hear a presentation by and hold discussions with Mr. David Morrison, RES Director, on items of mutual interest including:

- Overview of the NRC research program and budget.
- Research priorities.
- NRC Thermal Hydraulic Code Activities.
- International cooperative research program.
- RES plans and priorities for providing information necessary for the development of risk-informed and performance-based regulations by expanding the scope of NUREG-1150 work to include Level 3 PRA for shutdown modes of operation, fire, and other external events; rationale for these plans and priorities; ongoing and planned research to do such PRAs for other modes of operation.

10:45 A.M.–12:00 NOON: Loss of Feedwater Event at Arkansas Nuclear One Unit 1 (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the findings and conclusions of the Augmented Inspection Team, which investigated the May 19, 1996 loss of feedwater event at Arkansas Nuclear One Unit 1.

Representatives of the licensee will participate, as appropriate.

1:15 P.M.–3:00 P.M.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the Federal Register on September 27, 1995 (60 FR 49925). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public, electronic recordings will be permitted only during the open portions of the meeting, and questions may be asked only by

members of the Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Mr. Sam Duraiswamy, Chief, Nuclear Reactors Branch, at least five days before the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting may be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the Chairman.

Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting the Chief of the Nuclear Reactors Branch prior to the meeting. 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 Chief of the Nuclear Reactors Branch if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

In accordance with Subsection 10(d) Pub.L. 92-463, I have determined that it is necessary to close portions of this meeting noted above to discuss matters that relate solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of this Advisory Committee per 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), and to discuss matters the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy per 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been cancelled 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 Mr. Sam Duraiswamy, Chief, Nuclear Reactors Branch (telephone 301/415-7364), between 7:30 A.M. and 4:15 P.M. EDT.

ACRS meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available on FedWorld from the "NRC MAIN MENU." Direct Dial Access number to FedWorld is (800) 303-9672; the local direct dial number is 703-321-3339.

Dated: August 22, 1996.

John C. Hoyle

Acting Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Subcommittee Meeting on Thermal Hydraulic Phenomena; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Thermal Hydraulic Phenomena will hold a meeting on September 18-19, 1996,

Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

A portion of this meeting may be closed to discuss the proposed NRC thermal hydraulic research program budget. Discussion of the impact of possible budget reduction on continuing and proposed research contracts, if held in public session, might result in premature disclosure of information which would in turn frustrate the Commission's ability to effectively implement the affected programs.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, September 18, 1996—8:30 a.m. until the conclusion of business

Thursday, September 19, 1996—8:30 a.m. until the conclusion of business

The Subcommittee will: (1) Begin its review of the NRC-RES Program to revise/replace the current suite of NRC-RES thermal hydraulic codes and (2) discuss the status of the RES thermal hydraulic research program and associated budget. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff engineer named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

During the initial portion of the meeting, the Subcommittee, along with any of its consultants who may be present, may exchange preliminary views regarding matters to be considered during the balance of the meeting.

The Subcommittee will then hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff, its consultants, and other interested persons regarding this review.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been cancelled or rescheduled, the scheduling of sessions which are open to the public, 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 engineer, Mr. Paul A. Boehnert (telephone 301/415-

8065) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EDT). 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 potential changes to the agenda, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: August 21, 1996.

Sam Duraiswamy,

Chief, Nuclear Reactors Branch.

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Biweekly Notice

Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Involving No Significant Hazards Considerations

I. Background

Pursuant to Public Law 97-415, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC staff) is publishing this regular biweekly notice. Public Law 97-415 revised section 189 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), to require the Commission to publish notice of any amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, under a new provision of section 189 of the Act. This provision grants the Commission the authority to issue and make immediately effective any amendment to an operating license upon a determination by the Commission that such amendment involves no significant hazards consideration, notwithstanding the pendency before the Commission of a request for a hearing from any person.

This biweekly notice includes all notices of amendments issued, or proposed to be issued from August 3, 1996, through August 16, 1996. The last biweekly notice was published on August 14, 1996 (61 FR 42274).

Notice Of Consideration Of Issuance Of Amendments To Facility Operating Licenses, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, And Opportunity For A Hearing

The Commission has made a proposed determination that the following amendment requests involve no significant hazards consideration. Under the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 50.92, this means that operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not (1) involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated; or (2) create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated; or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. The basis for this

proposed determination for each amendment request is shown below.

The Commission is seeking public comments on this proposed determination. Any comments received within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice will be considered in making any final determination.

Normally, the Commission will not issue the amendment until the expiration of the 30-day notice period. However, should circumstances change during the notice period such that failure to act in a timely way would result, for example, in derating or shutdown of the facility, the Commission may issue the license amendment before the expiration of the 30-day notice period, provided that its final determination is that the amendment involves no significant hazards consideration. The final determination will consider all public and State comments received before action is taken. Should the Commission take this action, it will publish in the Federal Register a notice of issuance and provide for opportunity for a hearing after issuance. The Commission expects that the need to take this action will occur very infrequently.

Written comments may be submitted by mail to the Chief, Rules Review and Directives Branch, Division of Freedom of Information and Publications Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and should cite the publication date and page number of this Federal Register notice. Written comments may also be delivered to Room 6D22, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays. Copies of written comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC. The filing of requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene is discussed below.

By September 27, 1996, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendment to the subject facility operating license and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written request for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene. Requests for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for