

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-317 and 50-318]

Baltimore Gas & Electric Company, Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2; Notice of Availability of the Draft Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement and Public Meeting for the License Renewal of Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has published a draft plant-specific supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) (NUREG-1437) regarding the renewal of operating licenses DPR-53 and DPR-69 for an additional 20 years of operation at the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant (CCNPP), Units 1 and 2, respectively. CCNPP is located in Calvert County, Maryland.

The draft supplement to the GEIS is available for public inspection and copying at the Commission's Public Document Room at the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street NW., Washington, D.C., and the Local Public Document Room located in the Calvert County Public Library, 30 Duke Street, Prince Frederick, MD 20678.

Any interested party may submit written comments on the proposed action and on the draft supplement to the GEIS for consideration by the NRC staff. To be certain of consideration, comments must be received by May 20, 1999. Comments received after the due date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC staff is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Written comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS should be sent to—Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Mailstop T-6D 59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001. Comments may be hand-delivered to the NRC at 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays. Submittal of electronic comments may be sent by the Internet to the NRC at cceis@nrc.gov. All comments received by the Commission, including those made by Federal, State, and local agencies, Indian tribes or other interested persons, will be made available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room in Washington, D.C. and the Local Public Document Room located in the Calvert County Public Library, 30 Duke Street, Prince Frederick, MD 20678.

Upon consideration of the comments submitted, the NRC staff will prepare a final supplement to the GEIS. Notice of the availability of the final supplement to the GEIS will be published in the **Federal Register**.

The NRC staff will hold a public meeting to present an overview of the draft supplement to the GEIS and to accept oral and written public comment on it. The public meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Select, Solomons, Maryland, on April 6, 1999. There will be two sessions to accommodate interested parties. The first session will convene at 1:30 p.m. and will continue until 4:30 p.m. The second session will convene at 7:00 p.m. and will continue until 10:00 p.m. Both meetings will be transcribed and will include (1) a presentation of the contents of the draft supplement to the GEIS, and (2) the opportunity for interested Government agencies, organizations, and individuals to provide comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS. Persons may pre-register to attend or present oral comments at the meeting by contacting Mr. Thomas J. Kenyon by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 1120, or by Internet to the NRC at cceis@nrc.gov no later than April 2, 1999. Members of the public may also register to provide oral comments within 15 minutes of the start of each session. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. If special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, the need should be brought to Mr. Kenyon's attention no later than April 2, 1999, so that the NRC staff can determine whether the request can be accommodated.

For Further Information Contact: Mr. Thomas J. Kenyon, Generic Issues and Environmental Projects Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555. Mr. Kenyon can be contacted at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of March, 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David B. Matthews,

Director, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting**

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 108th meeting on March 23-25, 1999, Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The schedule for this meeting is as follows:

Tuesday, March 23, 1999—8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday, March 24, 1999—8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, March 25, 1999—8:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.

The following topics will be discussed:

A. Preparation of ACNW Reports

The Committee will discuss planned reports on the following topics: an ACNW self-assessment, DOE's Viability Assessment, NRC supported Waste Related Research, a White Paper on Repository Design Issues at Yucca Mountain, low levels of ionizing radiation and other topics discussed during this and previous meetings as the need arises.

B. Low Levels of Ionizing Radiation

The Committee will conduct a day and a half Working Group Meeting on the radiation effects from low-level ionizing radiation, specifically as related to the Linear Non-Threshold Dose Response Theory (LNT). This is a follow-on to several Committee meetings held over the past three years on this particular subject. Speakers will discuss various studies underway (or completed) as well as past advice related to this topic. Each speaker has been requested to identify suggestions for research, from their perspective, which would fill gaps in the current regulatory base. These periodic updates and overviews of research permit the Committee to continue to provide relevant advice to the Commission on this important topic. Among those invited to present related national and international perspectives are: representatives of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP), the Department of Energy (DOE), the National Academy of Sciences Board of Radiation Effects Research, the National Cancer Institute (NCI), the International Committee on Radiation Protection (ICRP), the University of Massachusetts, and the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI).

Following the presentations, a panel discussion will be held which will involve the participation of many of the presenters, plus invitees from the Environmental Protection Agency and interested Congressional staff.

C. Meeting With NRC's Director, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

The Committee will meet with the Director to discuss recent developments within the division, such as developments at the Yucca Mountain project, rules and guidance under development, available resources, and other items of mutual interest.

D. Clearance Rule

The Committee will review progress on the development of a Clearance Rule for materials and equipment having residual radioactivity. The potential rulemaking is intended to focus on levels above background for unrestricted use that are adequately protective of public health and safety.

E. Decommissioning Standard Review Plan (SRP)

The Committee will be briefed on the Decommissioning SRP by the NRC staff. The SRP is being developed to enable the NRC staff to evaluate information, submitted by licensees, in a timely, efficient and consistent manner to determine if the decommissioning can be conducted such that public health and safety are protected and the facility can be released in accordance with the NRC's requirements.

F. Committee Activities/Future Agenda

The Committee will consider topics proposed for future consideration by the full Committee and Working Groups. The Committee will discuss ACNW-related activities of individual members.

G. Miscellaneous

The Committee will discuss miscellaneous matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and organizational activities and complete discussion of matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on September 29, 1998 (63 FR 51967). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public, 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 Committee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch, Mr. Richard K. Major, as far in advance as practicable so that appropriate arrangements can be made to schedule the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting will be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the ACNW Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for taking pictures may be obtained by contacting the Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch, prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACNW meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should notify Mr. Major as to their particular needs.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, 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 Mr. Richard K. Major, Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch (telephone 301/415-7366), between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. EST.

ACNW meeting notices, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are now available for downloading or reviewing on the internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW>.

Video conferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACNW meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACNW meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACNW Audio Visual Technician (301-415-8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. EST 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 facilities that they use to establish the video teleconferencing link. The availability of video teleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: March 2, 1999.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.
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Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Subcommittee Meeting on Materials and Metallurgy; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Materials and Metallurgy will hold a meeting on March 24 and 25, 1999, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, March 24, 1999—8:30 a.m. until the conclusion of business

Thursday, March 25, 1999—8:30 a.m. until 12:00 Noon

The Subcommittee will meet with representatives of the NRC staff, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), and the Boiling Water Reactor Vessel Internals Project (BWRVIP) to discuss industry and NRC activities related to: steam generator tube integrity; BWRVIP; Pressurized Water Reactor Materials Reliability Project; reactor pressure vessel integrity; status of resolution of the differences between the staff and ASME regarding the use of 1994 Addenda to the ASME Section III Code for Class 1, 2, and 3 piping systems; and the proposed revision to 10 CFR 50.55a., "Codes and standards." 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, NEI, BWRVIP, and other interested