

Agenda: To hear presentations of current programming by representatives from NSF and NASA; to discuss current and potential areas of cooperation between the two agencies; to formulate recommendations for continued and new areas of cooperation and mechanisms for achieving them.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Licensing Support System Advisory Review Panel

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of the Charter of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel (LSNARP).

SUMMARY: The Licensing Support System Advisory Review Panel was established by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission as a Federal Advisory Committee in 1989. Its purpose was to provide advice on the fundamental issues of design and development of an electronic information management system to be used to store and retrieve documents relating to the licensing of a geologic repository for the disposal of high-level radioactive waste, and on the operation and maintenance of the system. This electronic information management system was known as the Licensing Support System (LSS). In November, 1998 the Commission approved amendments to 10 CFR Part 2 that renamed the Licensing Support System Advisory Review Panel as the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel.

Membership on the Panel continues to be drawn from those interests that will be affected by the use of the LSN, including the Department of Energy, the NRC, the State of Nevada, the National Congress of American Indians, affected units of local governments in Nevada, the Nevada Nuclear Waste Task Force, and a coalition of nuclear industry groups. Federal agencies with expertise and experience in electronic information management systems may also participate on the Panel.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has determined that renewal of the charter for the LSNARP until December 9, 2006 is in the public interest in connection with duties imposed on the Commission by law. This action is being taken in accordance with the Federal

Advisory Committee Act after consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Availability and Draft Report for Comment, "Evaluation of Loss of Offsite Power Events at Nuclear Power Plants: 1986-2003"

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research draft report entitled, "Evaluation of Loss of Offsite Power Events at Nuclear Power Plants: 1986-2003," and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the availability of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research draft report entitled, "Evaluation of Loss of Offsite Power Events at Nuclear Power Plants: 1986-2003."

DATES: Comments on this document should be submitted by January 31, 2005. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. To ensure efficient and complete comment resolution, comments should include references to the section, page, and line numbers of the document to which the comment applies, if possible.

ADDRESSES: Members of the public are invited and encouraged to submit written comments to Michael Lesar, Chief Rules and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, Mail Stop T-6D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Hand-deliver comments attention to Michael Lesar, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays. Comments may also be sent electronically NRCREP@nrc.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Draft Report Entitled, "Evaluation of Loss of Offsite Power Events at Nuclear Power Plants: 1986-2003"

This report is an update of two previous reports analyzing loss of offsite power (LOOP) events at U.S. commercial nuclear power plants. LOOP data over the period 1986-2003 were collected and analyzed. Frequency and duration estimates for critical and shutdown operations were generated for five categories of LOOPS: plant centered, switchyard centered, grid related, severe weather related, and extreme weather related. Overall, LOOP frequencies during critical operation have decreased significantly in recent years, while LOOP durations have increased. Various additional topics of interest were also addressed. These topics include potential effects of deregulation, seasonal impacts on LOOP frequencies, consequential LOOPS and others. Finally, additional engineering analyses of the LOOP data were presented. This information is needed in probabilistic risk assessment models of U.S. commercial nuclear power plants to accurately model current risk from LOOP and associated station blackout scenarios.

The NRC is seeking public comment in order to receive feedback from the widest range of parties and to ensure that all information relevant to developing this document is available to the NRC staff. This document is issued for comment only and is not intended for interim use. The NRC will review