

at the opening and incomplete backfilling of the shaft and future settlement and/or shifting of the material could lead to unintentional venting of mine gases. The petitioner further states that capping and venting the shaft would not be practical due to the mine spoil placement activities associated with the valley fill. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as the existing standard.

#### *Request for Comments*

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>; e-mail: [Comments@MSHA.gov](mailto:Comments@MSHA.gov); Fax: (202) 693-9441; or Regular Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before March 17, 2005. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated in Arlington, Virginia this 9th day of February 2005.

**Rebecca J. Smith,**

*Acting Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.*

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

### **Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Ad Hoc Subcommittee Meeting on Early Site Permit Applications; Notice of Meeting**

The ACRS Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Early Site Permit Applications will hold a meeting on March 2, 2005, Room T-2B3, 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 2, 2005—1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

The Subcommittee will review and discuss the North Anna Draft Safety Evaluation Report for early site permit, and the industry proposed plant parameter envelope information. The Subcommittee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and Dominion Nuclear regarding this matter. 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, Dr. Medhat M. El-Zeftawy (telephone 301-415-6889) between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. (e.t.) five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Electronic recordings will be permitted.

Further information regarding this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Designated Federal Official between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. (e.t.). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual at least two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes to the agenda.

Dated: February 9, 2005.

**John H. Flack,**

*Acting Branch Chief, ACRS/ACNW.*

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

### **Sunshine Federal Register Notice**

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETINGS:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**DATE:** Weeks of February 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2005.

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

*Weeks of February 14, 2005*

Tuesday, February 15, 2005

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Programs, Performance, and Plans—Waste Safety (Public Meeting) (Contact: Jessica Shin, 301-415-8117).

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

*Week of February 21, 2005—Tentative*

Tuesday, February 22, 2005

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Status of Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Programs, Performance, and Plans (Public Meeting) (Contact: Patricia Wolfe, 301-415-6031).

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

1:30 p.m. Briefing on Emergency Preparedness Program Initiatives (Closed—Ex. 1).

Wednesday, February 23, 2005

9:30 a.m. Briefing on Status of Office of Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) Programs, Performance, and Plans (Public Meeting) (Contact: Edward New, 301-415-5646).

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

Thursday, February 24, 2005.

1 p.m. Briefing on Nuclear Fuel Performance (Public Meeting) (Contact: Frank Akstulewicz, 301-415-1136).

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

*Week of February 28, 2005—Tentative*

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of February 28, 2005.

*Week of March 7, 2005—Tentative*

Monday, March 7, 2005

10 a.m. Briefing on Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Programs, Performance, and Plans—Materials Safety (Public Meeting) (Contact: Shamica Walker, 301-415-5142).

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

*Week of March 14, 2005—Tentative*

Wednesday, March 16, 2005

9:30 a.m. Meeting with Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) (Public Meeting) (Contact: John Larkins, 301-415-7360).

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

*Weeks of March 21, 2005—Tentative*

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of March 21, 2005.

The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: Dave Gamberoni, (301) 415-1651.

Additional Information: "discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1)" originally scheduled for Thursday, February 24, 2005, at 9 a.m. was canceled.

The NREC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/policy-making/schedule.html>.

The NRC provides reasonable accommodations to individuals with disability where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in these public meetings, or need this meeting notice or the transcript or other information from the public meetings in another format (e.g.