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NRC TO HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING AT ITS HEADQUARTERS TO SOLICIT WAYS TO INCREASE PUBLIC ACCESS TO SECURITY INFORMATION

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is holding its fourth public meeting to solicit public input on ways the agency can increase its level of openness about security at nuclear power plants and certain other facilities while still protecting sensitive information. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner's Conference Room at the NRC headquarters building, in Rockville, Md., from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Sept. 4.

NRC staff members will be available the entire time to receive input from interested stakeholders and discuss potential options to improve communication with the public. Members of the public who are unable to attend can also participate in this meeting via a toll-free audio teleconference, at 1-888-323-9796, pass code #41476.

Information was previously published in the *Federal Register* outlining how public comments could be submitted in a variety of areas, including what kind of NRC security inspection and licensee performance information would enhance public confidence and be useful in assessing the security of nuclear power facilities. That notice is available at: <http://frwebgate3.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/waisgate.cgi?WAIISdocID=25469013287+19+0+0&WAIISaction=retrieve>.

The full public meeting notice is available on the NRC's Web site, on this page: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm>.

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