## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 101st meeting on June 10–12, 1998, in 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:

On June 10 and 11, 1998, 8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M., the Committee will discuss the following:

A. *Near-Field Environment and Performance of Engineered Barriers*.—The Committee will conduct a two-day working group session entitled, ''Near-Field Environment and the Performance of Engineered Barriers in the Yucca Mountain Repository.'' The participants will be scientists and engineers from a variety of governmental, academic, private, and other organizations who will focus on conditions and processes that may occur inside the disposal drifts of the proposed mined geological repository.

On June 12, 1998, 8:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M., the Committee will discuss the following topics:

B. *Meeting with Industry Representative*.—The Committee will discuss with Mr. Ralph Beedle, Senior Vice President, Nuclear Energy Institute, the ACNW's December 23, 1997, letter to the NRC Chairman titled, ''1998 Strategic Plan and Priority Issues for the Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste.''

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. *Election of ACNW Officers*.—The Committee will elect the Chairman and Vice Chairman for the ACNW for a 1-year term beginning July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999.

E. *Prepare for Next Meeting with the Commission*.—The Committee will prepare for its next briefing with the Commission. The Committee is scheduled to discuss items of mutual interest with the Commission on July 21, 1998. (tentative)

F. *Preparation of ACNW Reports*.—The Committee will discuss planned reports, including: the staff's plans to review DOE's Viability Assessment, the total systems sensitivity analysis and other topics discussed during this and previous meetings as the need arises.

G. *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.

H. *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 2, 1997 (62 FR 46382). 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 Acting Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch, Mr. Howard J. Larson, 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 Acting 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. Larson 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. Howard J. Larson, Acting Chief, Nuclear Waste Branch (telephone 301/415–6805), between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. EDT.

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

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### Meeting

**AGENCIES:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission and Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting of the Interagency Steering Committee on Radiation Standards

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will host a meeting of the Interagency Steering Committee on Radiation Standards (ISCORS) in Rockville, Maryland. The purpose of ISCORS is to foster early resolution and coordination of regulatory issues associated with radiation standards.

Agencies represented on ISCORS include the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Department of Transportation, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and any successor agencies. The Office of Science and Technology Policy, the Office of Management and Budget, and a State representative are observers at meetings.

The objectives of ISCORS are to: (1) facilitate a consensus on allowable levels of radiation risk to the public and workers; (2) promote consistent and scientifically sound risk assessment and risk management approaches in setting and implementing standards for occupational and public protection from ionizing radiation; (3) promote completeness and coherence of Federal standards for radiation protection; and (4) identify interagency radiation protection issues and coordinate their resolution.

ISCORS meetings include presentations by the chairpersons of the subcommittees and discussion of current radiation protection issues. Committee meetings normally involve pre-decisional intra-governmental discussions and, as such, are normally not open for observation by members of the public or media. However, for the June 11 meeting, all interested members of the public are invited to attend the meeting.