

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a forthcoming meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Aero-Space Technology Advisory Committee, Airframe Systems Subcommittee.

DATES: Tuesday, October 24, 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, October 25, 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Thursday, October 26, 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Langley Research Center, Building 1219, Room 225, Hampton, VA 23681-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Darrel R. Tenney, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA 23681, 757/864-6033.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Aerospace Vehicle Systems Technology Program (AVSTP) Overview—Strategic Direction and New Initiatives
- AVSTP Technical Reviews
- Research Facility Tours

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants.

Dated: September 22, 2000.

Beth M. McCormick,
*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 00-118]

NASA Advisory Council, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications Advisory Committee, Microgravity Research Advisory Subcommittee; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications Advisory Committee, Microgravity Research Advisory Subcommittee.

DATES: Wednesday, October 18, 2000, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Room MIC-6 (Room 6H46), 300 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Brad Carpenter, Code UG, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202-358-0813.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- New Enterprise Management (Tentative)
- Program Status/Division Reorganization
- Microgravity Program Office Report
- DWG Activities Reports
- Space Station Utilization Research Institute
- Plans for New Initiatives
- International Activities
- Status of MRAS Recommendations
- Discussion & Summary
- Executive Session/Writing Assignments

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: September 22, 2000.

Beth M. McCormick,
*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 00-119]

NASA Advisory Council, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications Advisory Committee Commercial Advisory Subcommittee; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications Advisory Committee, Commercial Advisory Subcommittee.

DATES: Wednesday, October 18, 2000, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Room MIC-5, 300 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Candace Livingston, Code UM, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202-358-0697.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public to the seating capacity of the room. Advance notice of attendance to the Executive Secretary is requested. The agenda for the meeting will include the following topics:

- Status of subcommittee and LMSAAC meetings
- Status of the NGO proposal for the ISS
- Status of OLMSA Organization (Dr. Nicogossian's successor has not been appointed)
- Report of the Task Team on Product Development Levels
- Selection of Environmental Systems CSTC and Discussion of relationship to CSC's
- Scientific Quality Control for CSC Payloads
- Recommendations and Wrap-Up

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: September 22, 2000.

Beth M. McCormick,
*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space
Administration.*

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Combined Arts Advisory Panel

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Combined Arts Advisory Panel, Local Arts Agencies section (Access, Education and Heritage/Preservation categories), to the National Council on the Arts will be held from October 26-27, 2000 in Room 730 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20506. A portion of this meeting, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on October 27th, will be open to the public for policy discussion and guidelines review.

The remaining portions of this meeting, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on October 26th, and from 9-10:30 a.m.

and 12–3 p.m. on October 27th, are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of May 12, 2000, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to (c)(4)(6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels that are open to the public, and, if time allows, may be permitted to participate in the panel's discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman and with the approval of the full-time Federal employee in attendance.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. 20506, 202/682–5532, TDY–TDD 202/682–5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC, 20506, or call 202/682–5691.

Dated: September 22, 2000.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

*Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations,
National Endowment for the Arts.*

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–271]

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR–28 issued to Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation (the licensee) for operation of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station (Vermont Yankee) located in Vernon, Vermont.

The proposed amendment would clarify the valve isolation signal information in the Technical

Specification (TS) Table 4.7.2 and make an administrative change to the Table main steam isolation valves component identification. TS Table 4.7.2 lists containment isolation valves and the Primary Containment Isolation System (PCIS) groups to which the valves are assigned. Note 1 to Table 4.7.2 defines the isolation signals that are associated with the designated groups. The isolation signal description for Group 2 states that the valves are closed upon either low reactor water level or high drywell pressure. Residual heat removal (RHR) containment cooling valves V10–39A/B, V10–34A/B, V10–26A/B, V10–31A/B, and V10–38A/B are designated as Group 2 in Table 4.7.2 and isolate upon either (1) low-low reactor water level and low reactor pressure, or (2) high drywell pressure. Table 4.7.2 and associated Note 1 are being revised to clarify Group 2 isolation signals. Additionally, main steam isolation valve component identifications are revised by this proposed change to more clearly reflect all four inboard and outboard valves.

Before issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations.

The Commission has made a proposed determination that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration. Under the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 50.92, this means that operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not (1) involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated; or (2) create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated; or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. As required by 10 CFR 50.91(a), the licensee has provided its analysis of the issue of no significant hazards consideration, which is presented below:

1. The operation of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station in accordance with the proposed amendment will not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated.

No changes are being made to plant design, method of operation or method of testing. This change will not alter the basic operation of process variables, systems, or components as described in the safety analysis. No new equipment is introduced.

The proposed change does not affect the ability of the primary containment isolation system or ECCS systems to perform their required safety functions. The essential safety functions of providing primary containment

integrity and providing water to cool the core in the event of an accident are maintained. There is no physical or operational change being made which would alter the sequence of events, plant response, or conclusions of existing safety analyses. This proposed change results in no impact on analyzed accident event precursors or effects.

Therefore, the proposed change does not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated.

2. The operation of Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station in accordance with the proposed amendment will not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated.

The proposed change does not involve any physical alteration of plant equipment and does not change the method by which any safety-related system performs its function. As such, no new or different types of equipment will be installed, and the basic operation of installed equipment is unchanged. There is no change in plant operation that involves failure modes other than those previously evaluated. The methods governing plant operation and testing remain consistent with current safety analysis assumptions.

Therefore, the proposed change will not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated.

3. The operation of Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station in accordance with the proposed amendment will not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety.

No changes are being made to plant design, method of operation or method of testing. This change will not alter the basic operation of process variables, systems, or components as described in the safety analysis. No new equipment is introduced.

The proposed change does not affect the ability of the primary containment isolation system or ECCS systems to perform their required safety functions. The essential safety functions of providing primary containment integrity and providing water to cool the core in the event of an accident are maintained. There is no physical or operational change being made which would alter the sequence of events, plant response, or conclusions of existing safety analyses. This proposed change results in no impact on analyzed accident event precursors or effects.

This proposed change does not alter the physical design of the plant, methods or modes of operation, testing or analyses, thereby resulting in no impact on safety functions. Since the proposed change does not alter the means by which primary containment isolation is maintained and containment cooling valves are isolated in support of RHR LPCI actuation, there is no significant reduction in the margin of safety.

The NRC staff has reviewed the licensee's analysis and, based on this review, it appears that the three standards of 10 CFR 50.92(c) are satisfied. Therefore, the NRC staff proposes to determine that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration.