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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF PUBLIC TELECONFERENCE TO DISCUSS STATUS
OF WASTE CONFIDENCE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT AND RULEMAKING

On Wednesday, March 20, 2013, members of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a Category 3 public teleconference at the NRC headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. The purpose of the teleconference was to maintain an open line of communication with the public by providing a status update on NRC staff's progress in developing the Waste Confidence draft generic environmental impact statement (GEIS) and Rule. Participants had an opportunity to ask questions about the NRC's process and activities.

The meeting began at 1:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) ET and concluded at 2:30 p.m. ET. The NRC staff began the meeting with an overview of the NRC mission, a review of the timeline for Directorate activities, and a brief synopsis of the March 14, 2013 Waste Confidence session at the NRC Regulatory Information Conference. The NRC presentation continued with a discussion of the March 5, 2013, Scoping Summary Report, including details about the purpose and organization of the Report, a review of key issues, and methods for obtaining the Report. The NRC also noted that details regarding regional public meetings for commenting on the draft GEIS will be shared during the next status update teleconference on April 17, 2013. The staff then opened the teleconference for questions.

There were 90 participants in the teleconference representing members of the public, tribal and state governments, industry, public advocacy and environmental interest groups, and the NRC and its contractors. A list of meeting attendees is attached.

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Concerns, questions, and issues discussed during the teleconference included: questions related to the applicability of a generic environmental impact statement if there are site-specific issues or concerns; how sequestration would affect the progress of the GEIS and rulemaking; a question about storing spent nuclear fuel at the Savannah River Site; concerns about the probability of a permanent storage site and whether interim storage is being considered; a request for details regarding locations for future public meetings; whether Fukushima lessons learned and severe accidents are being considered as part of the GEIS; discussion of opportunities for local involvement in issues related to nuclear power; and, whether transportation of spent fuel is being considered within the GEIS.

The transcript for this meeting is available in the NRC's Agencywide Document Management and Access System (ADAMS) under Accession No. ML13081A220. Furthermore, the Scoping Summary Report, which was discussed during this meeting, can be found under Accession No. ML13060A128. The ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room is accessible at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or who encounter problems in accessing documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC's Public Document Room reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, or via email at pdr.resource@nrc.gov. For convenience, the transcript is also available on the Waste Confidence Directorate's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/waste/spent-fuel-storage/wcd/pub-involve.html>.

The next public teleconference to discuss the status of the Waste Confidence GEIS and Rulemaking is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, 2013. The Meeting Notice is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML13087A363. Meeting details are also available on the NRC Public Meeting website at <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm>.

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NRC Teleconference Attendees
Status of Waste Confidence GEIS and Rulemaking
March 20, 2013 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. ET

	First Name	Last Name	Organization
1	Arden	Aldridge	South Texas Project
2	Sara	Altherr	Pilgrim Coalition
3	John	Angil	VT State Department of Public Safety
4	Dean	Baker	Tennessee Valley Authority
5	Jana	Bergman	Scientech
6	Jerry	Bonanno	Nuclear Energy Institute
7	Rita	Bowser	Westinghouse
8	Dan	Breig	ASME Congressional Fellow
9	Robert	Bryan	Tennessee Valley Authority
10	Genevieve	Byrne	Eco Law
11	Christopher	Charles	Nuclear Energy Institute
12	James	Cordes	Court Reporter
13	Barton	Cowan	Westinghouse
14	June	Cowles	Town of Apex NC
15	Kristine	Cunningham	Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League/BEST
16	Diane	Curran	Harmon, Curran, Spielberg & Eisenberg
17	Tom	Daley	Southern TX Nuclear Project Operating Company
18	Diane	D'Arrigo	Nuclear Information and Resource Service
19	Patrick	Dostie	The State of Maine
20	Robert	Dye	EPA Region 7
21	Terrie	Englehart	Wisconsin Emergency Management
22	David	Fitzgerald	GDF Suez
23	Ellen	Ginsberg	Nuclear Energy Institute
24	Peter	Glass	Xcel Energy
25	Christopher	Hanson	US Dept of Energy
26	Johanna	Hariharan	Morgan Lewis & Bockius
27	Elaine	Hiruo	Platts
28	Ace	Hoffman	North County San Diego
29	Stewart	Horn	Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League/BEST
30	Eric	Howes	Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company
31	Thomas	Iaccarino	Spectrum Environmental
32	Rich	Janati	PA Department of Environmental Protection
33	Mel	Jenkins	Environmental Defense
34	Janet	Jodlowski	Independent
35	Lisa	Jones	Alta
36	Miriam	Juckett	Southwest Research Institute

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37	Julius	Kerr	Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League
38	Phil	Klevatorick	Clark County, NV, Nuclear Waste Division
39	Lingard	Knutson	US Environmental Protection Agency
40	Kyle	Landis-Marinello	VT Attorney General's Office
41	Marvin	Lewis	Self Employed
42	Bob	Lincoln	Private Party
43	Vic	Macks	MI Stop the Nuclear Bombs Campaign
44	Ramona	McConney	EPA Region 4
45	Rod	McCullum	Nuclear Energy Institute
46	Alfred	Meyer	Physicians for Social Responsibility
47	Steve	Nesbit	Duke Energy
48	Kenneth	Okin	Indian Point Safe Coalition
49	Christian	O'Rourke	Union of Concerned Scientists
50	Michael	Ortiz	NM Environment Department, Radiation Control
51	William	Richardson	SC Private Citizen
52	Tom	Rielly	Vista 360
53	David	Robillard	PSEG
54	Millie	Ronnlund	Balch and Bingham LLP
55	Richard	Rothstein	Town of Plymouth, MA
56	Judith	Schuerman	LA Department of Environmental Quality
57	Larry	Shepard	US Environmental Protection Agency
58	Beverly	Silverberg	Silverberg Communications
59	John	Sipos	State of New York
60	David	Snellings	AR Department of Health
61	Steven	Sondheim	Sierra Club
62	Jane	Swanson	San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace
63	Ellen	Thomas	Women's International League for Peace & Freedom
64	Tom	Tramm	Certrec
65	Judy	Treichel	NV Nuclear Waste Task Force
66	Michael	Wegner	KS Corporation Commission
67	Mike	Welling	VA Department of Health
68	Randall	Westmoreland	DTE Energy
69	Dale	Wuokko	Toshiba
70	Tetsuji	Yamamoto	Morgan Lewis and Bockius LLP
71	Ron	Zak	NJ Dept of Enviroprotection, Bureau of Nuclear Engr.
72	Louis	Zeller	Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League
73	Tison	Campbell	NRC/OGC
74	Russell	Chazell	NRC/NRO
75	Cathy	Haney	NRC/NMSS
76	Merri	Horn	NRC/WCD

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77	Esther	Houseman	NRC/OGC
78	Andy	Imboden	NRC/WCD
79	Lisa	London	NRC/OGC
80	Sarah	Lopas	NRC/WCD
81	Timothy	McCartin	NRC/WCD
82	Keith	McConnell	NRC/WCD
83	David	McIntyre	NRC/OPA
84	Paul	Michalak	NRC/WCD
85	Alicia	Mullins	NRC/WCD
86	Monica	Orendi	NRC Region 1
87	TR	Rowe	NRC/WCD
88	Carrie	Safford	NRC/WCD
89	Andrew	Stuyvenberg	NRC/WCD
90	Susan	Wittick	NRC/WCD