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**Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer
Items of Interest
Week Ending February 4, 2022**

ARRIVALS		
GUILLARD, JENNIFER	TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	R-II
RECKLEY, WILLIAM	SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	NRR
RETIREMENTS		
GOLDBERG, PAUL F.	PROJECT MANAGER	NMSS
DEPARTURES		
NONE		

**Office of the Chief Information Officer
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Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Requests, Appeals, and Consultations Received
During the Period of January 31 – February 4, as submitted by requester

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2022-000074	William Cruz, Jr.	Terry Bryant PLLC	Certified copies of all fire inspections at South Texas Power, Unit 2, in 2020 and 2021	01/31/2022
2022-000075	Thomas Secker		Records located in prior requests (NRC-2022-000064, NRC-2022-000065, NRC-2022-000068 and NRC-2022-000069) regarding documents on anomalous sightings at Three Mile Island	02/02/2022
2022-000076	Gary W. Hayner, Jr., PMP	Jensen Hughes	A copy of Regulatory Guide 5.81 Revision 1	02/04/2022

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Enclosure B

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Accepts First Risk-Informed Process for Evaluation Submittal for Review

On January 31, 2022, the staff accepted the Arizona Public Service Company's request, for an exemption from certain requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.62(c)(1) (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. [ML22032A031](#)). The exemption would remove the requirement for a Diverse Auxiliary Feedwater Actuation System for the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station and is requested through use of the NRC's Risk-Informed Process for Evaluations (RIPE). This is the first licensee application under the RIPE process, which is intended for addressing issues of low safety significance. The staff intends to request confirmatory information as part of its review and is targeting completion and issuance by April 18, 2022, under the expedited RIPE process.

NRC Holds Public Meeting on Leveraging Risk Insights in 10 CFR 50.59 Evaluations

On February 1, 2022, NRC staff held a public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) to discuss their proposed method for leveraging risk insights in 10 CFR 50.59 evaluations (ADAMS Accession No. [ML22027A392](#)). NEI's presentation centered on the use of the evaluation approach developed for the RIPE for licensees to independently evaluate 10 CFR 50.59 criteria (i) & (ii) by applying risk insights to determine if a proposed change results in a "more than minimal" increase in the frequency of occurrence of an accident or increase in the likelihood of occurrence of a malfunction of a system, structure, or component important to safety. The staff provided feedback for NEI to consider as they move forward with developing guidance on this topic. NEI plans to request additional public meetings with the staff as they develop this guidance.

NRC Holds Public Meeting to Discuss Oversight of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Configuration Control

On February 2, 2022, NRC staff conducted a public meeting with industry and other interested parties to discuss the staff's proposed plans and obtain stakeholder feedback related to the oversight of probabilistic risk assessment configuration control. Staff emphasized that the current regulatory structure is adequate to support implementation of risk-informed initiatives. The meeting was attended by over 100 stakeholders including members of the staff, industry, NEI, and the public. Staff is planning to conduct future public meetings to gather additional information to support future efforts in this area, including potential updates to existing inspection procedures. NRC and NEI presentation slides are available in ADAMS Accession No. [ML22031A255](#).

NRC Renews University of Massachusetts Lowell Research Reactor License

On February 3, 2022, NRR issued a renewed license for the University of Massachusetts Lowell (UML) Research Reactor (UMLRR), in response to UML's application dated October 20, 2015, as supplemented. The renewed license authorizes the continued operation of the UMLRR for an additional 20 years from the date of issuance. In addition, the renewed license authorizes several changes requested by UML in its renewal application, including digital and analog instrumentation and control upgrades, the use of fuel from the decommissioned Worcester Polytechnic Institute Research Reactor, and redesignation of the existing UMLRR containment building as a confinement.

**Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
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Access to the Decommissioning Trust Fund for the Disposal of Large Components: Petition for Rulemaking; Denial; 10 CFR Part 50 [Docket No. PRM-50-119; NRC-2019-0083]

On February 4, 2022, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* ([87 FR 6434](#)) denying a petition for rulemaking, dated February 22, 2019 ([84 FR 27209](#)), submitted by Gerard P. Van Noordennen on behalf of EnergySolutions, LLC (the petitioner). The petition was docketed by the NRC on March 20, 2019, and was assigned Docket No. PRM-50-119. The petition requested that the NRC revise its regulations to allow access to the decommissioning trust fund for the removal of major radioactive components before the permanent cessation of operations and revise the definition of "Decommissioning." The NRC is denying the petition because the petitioner does not raise a significant safety or security concern, and this subject area is adequately covered by existing regulations. The NRC's current regulations and oversight activities continue to provide for the reasonable assurance of adequate protection of public health and safety. The docket for PRM-50-119 was closed on February 4, 2022.

Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions: Semiannual Regulatory Agenda; 10 CFR Chapter I [NRC-2021-0053]

On January 31, 2022, the NRC published in the *Federal Register* ([87 FR 5378](#)) the semiannual regulatory agenda (Agenda) in accordance with Public Law 96-354, "The Regulatory Flexibility Act," and Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review." The NRC's Agenda is a compilation of all rulemaking activities on which we have recently completed action or have proposed or are considering action. Comments are requested by March 2, 2022.

**Office of Administration
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Audiovisual Support Services for NRC Headquarters

On January 28, 2022, contract number 31310022C0005 was awarded to Immersive Concepts, LLC in Beltsville, MD. The purpose of this contract is to provide various audiovisual support services, on-site and off-site for NRC headquarters. The period of performance is from February 1, 2022, through January 31, 2023, with four (4) option periods. The total potential value of this contract can be up to \$4,456,657.29.

Professional Development Center (PDC) Support Services

On February 2, 2022, contract number GS35F282CA/31310022F0014 was awarded to Code Plus, Inc. in Fairfax, VA. The purpose of this contract is to acquire contractor support services to assist and support the NRC's in-house PDC and external training processes. The period of performance is from March 7, 2022, through March 11, 2023, with four (4) option periods. The total potential value of the contract can be up to \$1,498,780.00.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
Items of Interest
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SECY-20-0095	10/19/20	Denial of Petition for Rulemaking to Access the Decommissioning Trust Fund for the Disposal of Large Components (PRM-50-119; NRC-2019-0083)
2. Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-20-0095	12/23/21	Denial of Petition for Rulemaking to Access the Decommissioning Trust Fund for the Disposal of Large Components (PRM-50-119; NRC-2019-0083)
3. Commission Voting Record SECY-20-0095	12/23/21	Denial of Petition for Rulemaking to Access the Decommissioning Trust Fund for the Disposal of Large Components (PRM-50-119; NRC-2019-0083)
4. SECY-22-0004	01/19/22	Proposed Rule: Items Containing Byproduct Material Incidental to Production (RIN 3150-AJ54; NRC-2015-0017)
Information Papers		
1. SECY-22-0010	02/01/22	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending 01/21/2022
Memoranda		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum M220127B	02/02/22	Strategic Programmatic Overview of the Decommissioning and Low-Level Waste and Nuclear Materials Users Business Lines

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Miguel A. Cardona, Secretary of Education, U.S. Department of Education, submits the NRC's 2022 Annual Historically Black Colleges and Universities Plan

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Kairos Power, LLC [NRC-2022-0033]