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FOR:	The Commissioners
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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer Items of Interest Week Ending March 4, 2022

ARRIVALS			
NONE			
RETIREMENTS			
GILES, VANESSA A.	SECURE COMMUNICATIONS SPEC	NSIR	
HARRIS, WILLIAM K.	SR. SPACE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST	ADM	
LUPOLD, TIMOTHY	SENIOR MECHANICAL ENGINEER	NRR	
PATEL, PRAVIN D.	STRUCTURAL ENGINEER	NMSS	
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DEPARTURES			
NONE			

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Office of the Chief Information Officer Items of Interest Week Ending March 4, 2022

<u>Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act Requests, Appeals, and Consultations Received During the Period of February 28 – March 4, as submitted by requester</u>

Tracking Number	Requester' s Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2022- 000091	Barry Quigley		T. Tagami, "Interim Report on Safety Assessment and Facilities Establishment Project in Japan for Period Ending June 1965 (No. 1)," prepared for the National Reactor Testing Station, February 28, 1966 (unpublished work), referenced in NUREG-75/087 Standard Review Plan, Chapter 6.2.1, Containment Functional Design	02/28/2022
2022- 000092	Dustin Slaughter		Any and all records pertaining to sightings of unidentified flying objects, unidentified aerial phenomena, unidentified objects, and unidentified aircraft at or in the vicinity of the Hope Creek Generating Station and Salem Nuclear Power Plant. The time frame for this request includes all responsive or otherwise segregable materials from June 30, 1977 up to and including the date this request is officially processed.	03/01/2022
2022- 000093	Jesse Robert		Any and all records related to named individual	03/02/2022
2022- 000094	Jeffrey Alan Permut		Various records pertaining to the 50 items listed in regard to named individual, for time period January 1, 1988 until January 1, 2022	03/03/2022
2022- 000095	Elijah T. Gaglio	Aguirre & Severson, LLP	Appeal the denial of information and adequacy of search of "all communications between any agent, employee, or officer of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and any agent, employee, or officer of Southern California Edison regarding recommendations of FOIA Exemptions to assert regarding the following requests: NRC-2020-000163, NRC-2020-000194, NRC-2021-000235 and NRC-2022-000014", in response to NRC-2022-000038	03/04/2022
2022- 000096	Elijah T. Gaglio	Aguirre & Severson, LLP	Appeal the denial of information and the adequacy of search for "All of Southern California Edison's responses to the NRC's "Request for Information" dated September 12, 2018", in response to NRC-2022-000039	03/04/2022
2022- 000097	Robert Hammond		Records of the first five FOIA adverse determination letters (other than full grant) processed by your agency for fiscal years (FY), FY 2016, FY 2017, FY 2018, FY 2019, FY 2020, and FY 2021 (seven fiscal years, 35 records); and a copy of this FOIA Request, which is an Agency record subject to FOIA that exists and is in the Agency's possession at the time of my FOIA request	03/04/2022

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Items of Interest Week Ending March 4, 2022

NRC Holds Public Outreach Meeting with the University of Illinois to Discuss Current Projects and Career Opportunities

On March 1, 2022, staff from the Division of Risk assessment in NRR and the Division of Reactor Projects in Region III presented via Zoom to approximately 30 students in the University of Illinois's Nuclear Plasma and Radiological Engineering Department. The staff provided an overview of opportunities available with the NRC and an in-depth look at some current projects. The students asked insightful questions and staff took the opportunity to highlight the various career paths available within NRC and to highlight some current job postings.

NRC Issues First Process for the Ongoing Assessment of Natural Hazards Information Annual Report

On February 24, 2022, the NRC staff published the first process for the ongoing assessment of natural hazards information (POANHI) annual report (ML22039A273) in accordance with LIC-208, "Process for the Ongoing Assessment of Natural Hazards Information," (ML19210C288) to highlight the NRC staff's implementation of the POANHI framework over fiscal years 2020-2021. On March 1, 2022, the NRC staff made LIC-208 publicly available to increase the transparency of the POANHI framework for the public.

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Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Items of Interest Week Ending March 4, 2022

<u>Approval of American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Code Cases: Final Rule; Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations</u> (10 CFR) Part 50 [NRC-2017-0025; RIN 3150-AJ94]

On March 3, 2022, the NRC published a notice in the Federal Register (87 FR 11934) amending its regulations to incorporate by reference revisions of three regulatory guides to approve new, revised, and reaffirmed code cases published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The NRC is also incorporating by reference one NRC NUREG associated with a condition on one of the regulatory guides. This action allows nuclear power plant licensees and applicants for construction permits, operating licenses, combined licenses, standard design certifications, standard design approvals, and manufacturing licenses to use the code cases listed in these regulatory guides as voluntary alternatives to engineering standards for the construction, in-service inspection, and in-service testing of nuclear power plant components. These engineering standards are set forth in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Boiler and Pressure Vessel Codes and American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Operation and Maintenance Codes, which are currently incorporated by reference into the NRC's regulations. Further, this final rule announces the availability of a related regulatory guide, not incorporated by reference into the NRC's regulations, that lists code cases that the NRC has not approved for use. This final rule is effective on April 4, 2022. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulation is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of April 4, 2022.

<u>Determining Which Structures, Systems, Components and Functions are Important to Safety: Petition for Rulemaking; Denial; 10 CFR Part 50 [NRC-2015-0213; PRM-50-112]</u>

On March 3, 2022, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (87 FR 11986) denying a petition for rulemaking (PRM), dated July 20, 2015, and supplemented on August 31, 2015, submitted by Kurt T. Schaefer (the petitioner). The petition was docketed by the NRC on September 4, 2015, and was assigned Docket No. PRM-50-112. The petitioner requested that the NRC amend its regulations to define the term "important to safety" and provide a set of specific criteria for determining which structures, systems, components, and functions are important to safety. The NRC is denying the petition because the issue raised does not involve a significant safety or security concern, and the existing NRC regulations, guidance, and procedures adequately address the issue raised in the PRM. The NRC's current regulations continue to provide reasonable assurance of adequate protection of public health and safety, promote the common defense and security, and protect the environment. The docket for the petition for rulemaking PRM-50-112 is closed on March 3, 2022.

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Regulatory Improvements for Production and Utilization Facilities Transitioning to Decommissioning: Proposed Rule; 10 CFR Parts 20, 26, 50, 51, 52, 72, 73 and 140 [NRC-2015-0070; RIN 3150-AJ59]

On March 3, 2022, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (87 FR 12254) proposing to amend its regulations that relate to the decommissioning of production and utilization facilities. The NRC's goals in amending these regulations are to maintain a safe, effective, and efficient decommissioning process; reduce the need for license amendment requests and exemptions from existing regulations; address other decommissioning issues deemed relevant by the NRC; and support the NRC's Principles of Good Regulation, including openness, clarity, and reliability. The NRC will hold a public meeting to promote full understanding of this proposed rule and to facilitate public comments. Comments are requested by May 17, 2022.

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Office of the Secretary (SECY) Items of Interest Week Ending March 4, 2022

Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject		
Decision Documents				
1. SECY-21-0112	12/20/21	Denial of Petition for Rulemaking on Determining which Structures, Systems, Components and Functions are Important to Safety (PRM-50-112; NRC-2015-0213)		
2. SRM-SECY-21-0112	01/31/22	Denial of Petition for Rulemaking on Determining which Structures, Systems, Components and Functions are Important to Safety (PRM-50-112; NRC-2015-0213)		
3. VR-SECY-21-0112	01/31/22	Denial of Petition for Rulemaking on Determining which Structures, Systems, Components and Functions are Important to Safety (PRM-50-112; NRC-2015-0213)		
Information Papers				
1. SECY-22-0016	02/28/22	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending February 18, 2022		
2. SECY-22-0018	03/03/22	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending February 22, 2022		
Memoranda				
1. SRM-M220224B	03/02/22	Briefing on Regulatory Research Program Activities		

Commission Correspondence

- 1. Letter to the Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr., et al., submits the January 2022 monthly status report on the NRC activities and use of unobligated carryover funds appropriated from the Nuclear Waste Fund
- 2. Letter to the Honorable Gene L. Dodaro, et al., submits the summary of actions taken by NRC in response to recommendations contained in various GAO reports

Federal Register Notices Issued

- 1. Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes Notice of renewal of the Charter of the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes
- Regents of the University of California University of California Davis McClellan Nuclear Research Center Training, Research, Isotope, General Atomics Nuclear Reactor [NRC-2022-0035]

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