

**U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Decommissioning Criteria for the West Valley Demonstration Project (M-32)
and the West Valley Site; Revised Notice of Public Meeting**

ACTION: Revised Notice of Public Meeting

SUMMARY: On December 3, 1999, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published in the Federal Register a draft Policy Statement on the criteria to be used for decommissioning the West Valley Demonstration Project and West Valley Site and an announcement of a public meeting on the Policy Statement. The time scheduled for that public meeting has been lengthened from two to three hours. Therefore, NRC will conduct a public meeting at the Ashford Office Complex, 9030 Route 219, West Valley, New York, conference room C1, on January 5, 2000, from 7:00-10:00 p.m. to discuss the draft policy statement for the decommissioning criteria for West Valley with interested members of the public.

The NRC requested that comments on the draft Policy Statement be submitted by February 1, 2000. The purpose of the meeting, which will be transcribed, is to provide information to the public on the policy statement and the NRC's regulatory responsibilities and to engage in a discussion with the public on questions and concerns related to NRC responsibilities. The discussion will also facilitate the preparation of any written comments on the policy statement and give the public an opportunity to provide oral comments. In the discussions, NRC staff will be interested in hearing views on issues such as: Institutional Controls/Engineered Barriers; Incidental Waste; Partial Site Release; Fulfillment of NRC's National Environmental Policy Act responsibility, and any other issues related to the NRC's role at West Valley that the public may be interested in. Although the focus of the meeting will be on a discussion with the public on West Valley issues, some time will be reserved for those wishing to read a brief formal statement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Questions with respect to this action should be referred to Jack D. Parrott, Project Scientist, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Mail Stop T-8F37, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001. Telephone: (301) 415-6700; e-mail: jdp1@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of December 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,



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