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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR SFST LICENSING PROCESS
CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 23-24, 2010 (7:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.)

LOCATION: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Headquarters
Two White Flint North - Auditorium
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland

BACKGROUND: The Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) is currently in the process of hosting a conference sponsored by the Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation (SFST) Division, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). The conference is being held as part of NRC staff's intentions to continuously improve the process for 10 CFR Part 71 and 10 CFR Part 72 licensing and certification actions. Participants are encouraged to interact with NRC staff and colleagues to discuss insights on how our interactions could be more effective and efficient.

PURPOSE: Conference topics include informational items such as: Status of SFST's Acceptance Review Procedure, Updates of Standard Review Plans and Interim Staff Guidance, and information regarding NEI's Regulatory Issue Resolution Protocol, and presentations from NEI, industry, media representatives, and external stakeholders regarding possible improvements to the licensing process. Workshop topics include one working day devoted to 10 CFR Part 72 Licensing Basis.

Registration for the conference may be performed at

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<http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/conference-symposia/2010-lic-process-conf.html>

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SPENT FUEL STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION LICENSING PROCESS CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP

June 23-24, 2010

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Headquarters – TWFN Auditorium

We are planning an exciting program and welcome your active participation.

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AGENDA

Wednesday, June 23 - Conference

7:30 - 8:30 am Check In

8:30 - 8:45 am **Welcome and Introduction (*Chris Staab*)**

Objective: SFST's objective is to continually improve the licensing process - our conference and workshop will focus on past, present, and future licensing process actions. Industry and NEI feedback is necessary to help SFST continually improve the licensing process. This morning will be informational and will focus on actions taken since the 2005 Licensing Conference to improve the licensing process. The afternoon will be facilitated and will allow for thoughts and insights to be presented for improving the licensing process. The second day will be a facilitated workshop and will focus on outcomes from the NEI Dry Storage Forum with respect to 10 CFR Part 72 Licensing Basis and next actions.

8:45 - 9:15 am **Keynote Presentation (*Mike Weber*)**

Objective: Provide a high level view of where spent fuel storage and transportation is and where it is going.

9:15 - 9:20 am **Interaction Ground Rules and Panel Introduction (*Chris Staab*)**

9:20 - 10:10 am **Informational Items Panel - High Level Summary of Actions Taken Since 2005 Licensing Conference (*Chris Staab, Kevin Witt, Ron Parkhill, Matt Gordon, Mike Waters and Everett Redmond*)**

Objective: Will provide a snapshot of actions taken by SFST since the previous Licensing Conference, status of the Acceptance Review Procedure, Safety Culture, Update of Standard Review Plan and Interim Staff Guidance, Status of COMDEK-09-0001 Response, and NEI's Regulatory Issue Resolution Protocol. Q&A after each update.

10:10 - 10:30 am Break

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10:30 - 11:30 am **Informational Items Panel - Continued**

11:30 - 12:40 pm Lunch Break

12:40 - 12:50 pm **Afternoon Session Opening Comments (*Doug Weaver*)**

Objective: The afternoon will be facilitated and will allow for NRC to listen to thoughts and insights for improving the licensing process. Presentations will be provided by NEI, Industry, and Public Representatives.

12:50 - 1:00 pm **Interaction Ground Rules and Panel Introduction (*Facilitator – Susan Saltor*)**

1:00 - 3:00 pm **Thoughts and Insights Panel - (*NEI, Utility Dry Storage Users Groups, Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation CoC Holders, Non-spent fuel Part 71 CoC Holders*) - Facilitated**

Objective: Thoughts and insights to improve the licensing process will be presented. Q&A after each presentation.

3:00 - 3:15 pm Break

3:15 - 3:20 pm **Interaction Ground Rules and Panel Introduction (*Facilitator – Susan Saltor*)**

3:20 - 4:50 pm **Thoughts and Insights Panel - (*Media Representatives, State Representatives, External Stakeholders*) - Facilitated**

Objective: Thoughts and insights to improve the licensing process will be presented. Q&A after each presentation.

4:50 - 5:00 pm **Closing Remarks - (*Chris Staab*)**

Thursday, June 24 - Workshop

8:30 - 8:45 am **Introduction (*Vonna Ordaz*)**

Objective: Today's facilitated workshop will focus on outcomes from the NEI Dry Storage Forum with respect to 10 CFR Part 72 Licensing Basis and next actions. The morning will focus on a specific proposal from the NRC with respect to 10 CFR 72.48. The afternoon will focus on a specific proposal from industry with respect to CoCs and Technical Specifications. Both items are interdependent and will likely include a discussion of FSAR enforceability. A summary of next steps will follow.

8:45 - 9:00 am **Opening Comments (*Cathy Haney*)**

Anticipating the Future: What's over the horizon and encouraging stakeholder involvement.

9:00 - 10:00 am **Session 1 – 10 CFR 72.48 Proposal (*NRC Presentation*)**

Objective: Brief presentation based on outcomes from breakout sessions at NEI Dry Storage Forum.

10:00 - 10:15 am Break

10:15 - 11:20 am **Session 1 – 10 CFR 72.48 Discussion (*Facilitator - Earl Easton*)**

Objective: Facilitated discussion regarding the proposal and summary of next actions.

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- 11:20 - 12:30 pm Lunch Break
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm **Session 2 – CoC and Technical Specifications Proposal (NEI Presentation)**
Objective: Brief presentation based on outcomes from breakout sessions at NEI Dry Storage Forum.
- 1:30 - 1:45 pm Break
- 1:45 - 2:50 pm **Session 2 - CoC and Technical Specifications Discussion (Facilitator - Earl Easton)**
Objective: Facilitated discussion regarding the proposal and summary of next actions.
- 2:50 - 3:30 pm **Session 3 - Summarize Actionable Items and Next Steps (Chris Staab and Earl Easton)**
Objective: Based on what we heard during the conference and workshop – a summary of next steps will be provided with an opportunity for feedback. Improvement suggestions from the first day will be considered for breakout sessions for next year's NEI Dry Storage Forum.
- 3:30 - 3:45 pm **Closing Remarks - (Eric Benner)**

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