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For: The Commissioners

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Office of Administration (ADM) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

Supplemental Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System (MILES) Equipment

On February 25, 2013, as a result of a competitive solicitation, a firm-fixed-price contract (NRC-HQ-13-C-07-0015) was awarded to SAAB Training USA LLC, of Orlando FL, for equipment used for the force-on-force training program. The period of performance is from March 1, 2013, to February 28, 2014, with four 1-year options. The total estimated cost is \$991,411.07, inclusive of all options.

Medical Technology Training

On February 21, 2013, as a result of a full and open competition, an indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity, firm-fixed-price contract (NRC-HQ-13-C-38-0027) was awarded to Advanced Health Education Center of Houston, TX. This contract will provide instructor led courses relevant to emerging nuclear medical technologies and practices that use byproduct materials on human patients. The period of performance is from February 25, 2013, to February 24, 2014, with four 1-year options. The total estimated cost is \$1,128,795.00, inclusive of all options.

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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

Arrivals			
None			
Retirements			
Kolek, Kathleen	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	R-I	
Morris, James	DIRECTOR, PDC AND OPERATIONS	OCHCO	
Departures			
Jenkins, Verlyn	SECRETARY (OA)	R-IV	
Overland, Dean	RESIDENT INSPECTOR (PWR)	R-IV	
Rodgers, Felecia	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST	R-II	

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Office of Information Services (OIS) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

<u>Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of February 22, 2013 – February 28, 2013</u>:

Security clearance levels on file at the NRC regarding named individual	FOIA/PA-2013-0148
OI Report 1-2011-0023	FOIA/PA-2013-0149
OIG investigation report regarding interview of former President Jimmy Carter	FOIA/PA-2013-0150
All documentation on the use of Decommissioning Trust Funds by named company regarding Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station	FOIA/PA-2013-0151

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) Working Group Public Meeting

On February 21, 2013, NRC staff held the ROP monthly public meeting. Discussions included updates on operational support, inspection, operational experience, assessment topics, and possible changes to the performance indicator guidance. The staff and industry also discussed Frequently Asked Questions.

Kewaunee Power Station Permanent Cessation of Power Operations

On February 25, 2013, Dominion Energy Kewaunee (DEK) certified permanent cessation of power operations for the Kewaunee Power Station (KPS) is scheduled to occur on May 7, 2013. The Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., completed a grid stability study in February and provided its certification of the planned KPS shutdown. On February 26, 2013, DEK submitted its Post-Shutdown Decommissioning Activities Report (PSDAR) and associated cost analyses. NRC staff has a 90-day review and comment period, after which DEK can begin major decommissioning activities. The PSDAR will be noticed in the *Federal Register* for public comment and is the subject of a forthcoming public meeting scheduled in the local vicinity. Permanent defueling of the reactor vessel is anticipated to be completed prior to the end of May 2013.

Acceptance of License Renewal Application for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant

On February 26, 2013, NRC staff completed its acceptance review of the license renewal application for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. The staff determined that the application contains sufficient information for docketing. The staff received the license renewal application from Tennessee Valley Authority on January 15, 2013, requesting the extension of the operating license for an additional 20 years beyond the current 40-year term. The Sequoyah Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2 are pressurized-water reactors designed by Westinghouse with current operating licenses which expire at midnight on September 17, 2020, and September 15, 2021, respectively. The staff plans to hold public information sessions at Soddy-Daisy, TN, on April 3, 2013, to describe the license renewal process. Acceptance of the license renewal application, which is published in the Federal Register, begins a 60-day opportunity for members of the public to file a request for hearing and/or petition to intervene.

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Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

RES Publication of Report on Proposed Generic Issues

In order to enhance the program's transparency and accountability, the NRC Generic Issues Program reports the status of proposed issues that are in process or were determined not to meet the generic issue screening criteria. The report summarizes the issues proposed for evaluation as potential generic issues that are either: (1) in the identification, acceptance, or screening stages of the Generic Issue process, or (2) were determined not to have met the program screening criteria. The report on proposed Generic Issues is now available on the NRC Web site (http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/generic-issues/).

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Office of Public Affairs (OPA) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

OPA received significant media inquiries on the following:

Updated Evacuation Time Estimate reports for Seabrook (NH) and Ginna (NY) plants

Sequestration impacts at the NRC

Commissioners' hearing with House Energy and Commerce subcommittees

Filtered vents for boiling water reactors Mark I and II

Status of Oyster Creek plant's (NJ) emergency sirens during "Superstorm" Sandy

An overnight scram at Vogtle plant (AL)

Updated Confirmatory Action Letter sent to Omaha Public Power District officials regarding Fort Calhoun plant (NE)

OPA Social Media Items:

Blog:

- NRC Notifies Licensees of Sequestration Impacts
- Deconstructing the Decommissioning Process
- Celebrating African American History Month: NRC Applauds Achievement of Dr. Haile K. Lindsay

YouTube:

NRC Public Meeting: Commission Briefing on Uranium Recovery

Press Releases		
Headquarters:		
<u>13-011</u>	NRC, Duke Energy Officials to Discuss Apparent Fire Protection Violation at Oconee Nuclear Plant on March 5 in Rockville, MD (02/25/2013)	
Regions:		
IV-13-006	NRC Issues Updated Confirmatory Action Letter to Fort Calhoun Nuclear Plant Operator (02/26/2013)	

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Office of the Secretary (SECY) Items of Interest Week Ending March 1, 2013

Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Information Papers		
1. SECY-12-0161	11/28/12	Status Update: Tasks Related to Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Allegation and Enforcement Programs
2. SECY-13-0023	2/27/13	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending February 22, 2013

Commission Correspondence

- 1. Letter to Senator Robert Menendez, dated February 22, 2013, responds to his letter regarding the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station.
- 2. Letter to Congressman Fred Upton, et al., dated February 15, 2013, provides response to questions or concerns relating to the ongoing agency activities resulting from the Fukushima accident in Japan, and additional information.

Federal Register Notices Issued

- 1. Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving Proposed No Significant Hazards Considerations and Containing Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguard Information and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information [NRC-2013-0039].
- 2. Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes: Meeting Notice April 15-16, 2013.

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