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Office of Administration (ADM) Items of Interest Week Ending July 19, 2013

Inflation Adjustments to the Price-Anderson Act Financial Protection Regulations; Final Rule; 10 CFR Part 140 (NC-2013-0072; RIN 3150-AJ25)

On July 12, 2013, the NRC published a final rule in the *Federal Register* (<u>78 FR 41835</u>), amending its regulations to adjust the maximum total and annual standard deferred premiums as specified in the Price-Anderson Act for inflation. The final rule will be effective on September 10, 2013.

<u>Strategic Acquisition System and NRC's Enterprise Acquisition Toolset Helpdesk Support</u> On July 18, 2013, as a result of a competitive small business set-aside, General Services Administration Delivery Order NRC-HQ-13-F-10-0001 was awarded to American Environmental and Engineering Consultants of Reston, VA. This delivery order will provide services to effectively and efficiently manage the agency's Strategic Acquisition System and NRC's Enterprise Acquisition Toolset post implementation by providing end-user help desk services and software application support. The period of performance is from July 29, 2013 to July 28, 2014, with five one-year option periods. The total value of the contract, including all options, is \$5,805,211.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO) Items of Interest Week Ending July 19, 2013

Arrivals		
None		
Retirements		
None		
Departures		
Chitty, Mark	Resident Inspector	RII

Office of Information Services (OIS) Items of Interest Week Ending July 19, 2013

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received During the Period July 12, 2013 - July 18, 2013:

All communications from February 1 to March 31, 2013 on First Draft of New Safety Standards for Nuclear Power Plants	FOIA/PA-2013-0291
Correspondence from U.S. Senator Mark Pryor, and the response regarding legislation or regulations, recommendations for executive branch positions, or support or opposition to federal funding for programs, etc.	FOIA/PA-2013-0292
Annual Radioactive Effluent Release Reports for 1984 to 1998, and the entire Final Safety Analysis Report	FOIA/PA-2013-0293

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Items of Interest Week Ending July 19, 2013

Meeting with International Atomic Energy Agency

On July 7-10, 2013, the staff participated in a technical meeting with the International Atomic Energy Agency in Knoxville, TN. The purpose of the meeting was to work on the coordinated research project (Project) for the qualification, condition monitoring, and management of aging of low voltage cables in nuclear power plant life management. The goal of this Project is to provide the current fleet of reactors and the next generation of nuclear facilities with information and guidelines on how to qualify new cables, monitor the performance of existing cables, and establish a program of cable aging management. During the meeting, the staff listened to numerous technical presentations on low voltage cable testing and provided input during working group sessions.

Taiwan Atomic Energy Council and NRC Bilateral Technical Meeting

On July 10-12, 2013, staff participated in a technical bilateral meeting with representatives from the Taiwan nuclear regulator, Taiwan Atomic Energy Council. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and exchange information in the areas of regulatory activities, pressurized-water reactor sump issues, power uprates, implementation of Fukushima lessons learned, emergency preparedness (EP) and status of the construction of the Lungmen plant. In addition, the Taiwan delegation took a tour of the Three White Flint Operations Center and visited the Surry Nuclear Power Station. The plant visit focused on EP and implementation of lessons learned from the Fukushima event. Both agencies signed an agreement for future cooperation on several topics, including strainer testing, cyber security, spent fuel pit neutron absorbers, and readiness inspections at the Lungmen plant.

Office of Public Affairs (OPA) Items of Interest Week Ending July 19, 2013

OPA received significant media inquiries on the following:

- Temporary downpower at Vermont Yankee plant (VT); Entergy's reorganization of the plant
- Impact of the heat wave on plants in Region I
- Confirmatory Action Letter team inspection report issued for Fort Calhoun plant (NE)
- Regulatory conference planned to discuss a preliminary yellow finding at Point Beach plant (WI)
- Mark A. Satorius selected as the next Executive Director for Operations
- Seismic risk reassessment for Indian Point plant (NY)
- Unusual event at Pilgrim plant (MA)

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

• Region III hosted a webinar regarding the recent shut down of Palisades plant (MI)

OPA Social Media Items:

Blog:

- Fort Calhoun: Progress but Scrutiny Continues
- Where There's Steam, There's ... a Steam Generator

Press Rele	Press Releases		
Headquart	Headquarters:		
<u>13-060</u>	Mark A. Satorius Selected as Agency's New Executive Director for Operations (07/16/13)		
Regions:			
<u>l-13-026</u>	NRC Advisory Panel Subcommittee to Meet in King of Prussia, Pa., on July 24 th to Discuss Nuclear Safety-Related Topics (07/17/13)		
<u>III-13-029</u>	NRC Proposes \$7,000 Civil Penalty to American Engineering Testing, Inc. (07/16/13)		
<u>II-13-048</u>	NRC Schedules Regulatory Conference to Discuss Apparent Violation at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant (07/16/13)		
<u>III-13-028</u>	NRC Schedules Regulatory Conference to Discuss Apparent Violation at Point Beach Nuclear Plant (07/16/13)		
<u>IV-13-019</u>	NRC Names New Resident Inspector at Waterford 3 Nuclear Power Plant (07/15/13)		

Office of the Secretary (SECY) Items of Interest Week Ending July 19, 2013

Document Released to Public	Date	Subject	
Decision Documents			
1. SRM on SECY-13-0033	07/19/13	Allowing Interim Operation Under Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 52.103	
Commission Voting Record on SECY-13-0033	07/19/13	(same)	
Memoranda			
1. M130711	07/17/13	Staff Requirements - Meeting with the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards	

Commission Correspondence

Letter to Mike Nichols, Mayor, City of Solana Beach, CA, dated July 12, 2013, responds to his letter that concerns the proposed restart of San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.