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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO) Items of Interest Week Ending JULY 26, 2019

ARRIVALS		
NONE		6 H
RETIREMENTS		
NONE		
DEPARTURES		
ANDERSON, JAMES R	EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR	NSIR
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Office Information Officer (OCIO) Items of Interest Week Ending JULY 26, 2019

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received During the Period of July 22 – July 26, as submitted by requester

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2019-000364	Teresa Johns		All records pertaining to named individual's case	07/22/2019
2019-000365	Kevin Esperas	Corporate Research and Investigations Group	Background screening and the release of records of named individual	07/22/2019
2019-000366	Connie Marini	Environmental Data Resources, Inc.	The most recent listing of companies that have been issued an NRC license and are included in the Materials Licensing Tracking System (MLTS) Database (active and retired licenses) for the entire United States	07/22/2019
2019-000367	Monica Dias	Frost Brown Todd LLC	A certified copy of the "U.S. NRC Safety Culture Communicator, Case Study 4, March 2012, titled "April 2010 Upper Big Branch Mine Explosion - 29 Lives Lost" (ML12069A003)	07/23/2019
2019-000368	Sana Memon	Corporate Research and Investigations Group	Background screening and the release of records of named individual	07/23/2019
2019-000369	Sana Memon	Corporate Research and Investigations Group	Background screening and the release of records of named individual	07/23/2019
2019-000370	Werda Rais	Corporate Research and Investigations Group	Background screening and the release of records of named individual	07/23/2019
2019-000371	Kevan Crawford		Name of contracted federal court recorder (from Murray, UT) who recorded named individual's sworn deposition in August 1993; an audio copy of the conference call on or about February 15, 1993 between named individual and NRC staff	07/23/2019
2019-000372	Ma Flor Contreras		Reason why named individual was detained at border on July 9, 2019	07/23/2019
2019-000373	Shirsho Dasgupta	McClatchy DC Bureau	All inspections of nuclear facilities and nuclear power plants, and all inspections of nuclear waste disposal sites and facilities conducted by the NRC from 2013 to the present day, as specified	07/24/2019

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Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2019-000374	Melissa Hunter	Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc.	Requesting information regarding an ERNS incident. NRC Report # 395602, Site ID- 97395602, Date- 07/18/1997; Location address- 1 Lake St, Pentwater, Oceana County, MI 49449	07/24/2019
2019-000375	Katie Elizardi	Entergy Services, LLC	Documents pertaining to the NRC's Office of Investigations Case No. 3- 2018-007, specifically, I request the final Report of Investigation	07/24/2019
2019-000376	Thomas Devine	Government Accountability Project	All documents and communications regarding civil nuclear cooperation with Middle Eastern countries, most notably Saudi Arabia, the "Middle East Marshall Plans", and Negotiation of a U.S. Saudi "123" Civil Nuclear Cooperation Agreement, from January 20, 2017 to present; documents, briefings, correspondence, and/or telephone conversations regarding the "International Peace Power and Prosperity" (IP3 Corporation) and its proposal for nuclear and cyber cooperation with various Middle Eastern countries, to include Saudi Arabia; and documents and deliberations regarding Westinghouse, to include its March 2017 bankruptcy and the U.S. government's subsequent policy	07/24/2019

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Items of Interest Week Ending JULY 26, 2019

Public Meeting on Risk-Informed Applications

On July 18, 2019, the staff held a public workshop with the Pressurized Water Reactor Owner's Group (PWROG) to discuss the industry's experiences implementing applicable regulatory guidance used to address assumptions and sources of uncertainty across the different risk-informed (R-I) applications. The dialogue considered lessons learned in recent R-I submittals reviewed by the staff, and examples of implementation provided by the industry. The PWROG discussed plans to submit a letter to the NRC that captures insights identified from the industry's use of NUREG 1855, "Guidance on the Treatment of Uncertainties Associated with PRAs in Risk-Informed Decision making," Revision 1 (ML17062A466).

Public Meeting on Risk-Informed Initiatives

On July 19, 2019, the staff conducted a widely-attended public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and the PWROG. The meeting was to discuss the NRC staff's recent observations of the industry's Facts & Observations (F&O) Closure Process for PRA models and to obtain feedback from industry. Both the NRC and the industry acknowledged the usefulness of the F&O closure process, noting the 60 to 80 percent efficiency gains in the license amendment reviews. Information about how licensees arrange for, perform, and document the closure reviews provides important insight that will greatly improve the staff's ability to interpret the summary of these activities in future license amendment requests (LARs). As a result of the meeting, NEI and PWROG plan to provide clarification on the F&O closure documentation needed to support LAR submittals during their periodic Probabilistic Risk Assessment working group meetings.

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Items of Interest Week Ending JULY 26, 2019

<u>Criteria to Return Retired Nuclear Power Reactors to Operations: Petition for</u> <u>Rulemaking; Notice of Docketing and Request for Comment; Parts 50 and 52 of Title 10</u> of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) (PRM-50-117; NRC-2019-0063)

On July 26, 2019, the NRC published a notice of docketing and request for comment in the *Federal Register* (84 FR 36036) for a petition for rulemaking (PRM) from Mr. George Berka, dated December 26, 2018, requesting that the NRC amend its regulations to establish criteria to return retired nuclear power reactors to operations. The petition was docketed by the NRC on February 19, 2019, and has been assigned Docket No. PRM-50-117. The NRC is examining the merits of the issues raised in PRM-50-117 to determine whether the issues should be considered in rulemaking. Comments are requested by October 9, 2019.

<u>Greater-Than-Class-C and Transuranic Waste:</u> Draft Regulatory Basis; Request for <u>Comment; 10 CFR Part 61; [Regulatory Identifier Number (RIN) 3150-AK00; NRC-2017-</u> 0081]

On July 22, 2019, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (<u>84 FR 35037</u>) requesting comments on a draft regulatory basis to support the development of a rulemaking for the disposal of certain types of greater-than-Class-C waste in a low-level radioactive waste land disposal facility. Greater-than-Class-C waste may include transuranic radionuclides (e.g., isotopes of plutonium) that contaminate nuclear fuel cycle waste. In addition, the NRC plans to hold a public meeting to promote understanding of the draft regulatory basis and to facilitate public comment. Comments are requested by September 20, 2019.

Office of the Secretary (SECY) Items of Interest Week Ending JULY 26, 2019

Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-18-0042	07/26/19	Draft Final NUREG/BR-0058, Revision 5, "Regulatory Analysis Guidelines of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission"
Memoranda		
1. Staff Requirements Memorandum M190725	07/25/19	Affirmation Session – SECY-19-0045 – NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC (Seabrook Station, Unit 1) – License Amendment, Emergency Petition

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Mike Levin, responds to his earlier request for a full-time resident inspector at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), dated July 16, 2019

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Criteria to Return Retired Nuclear Power Reactors to Operations 10 CFR Parts 50 and 52 [Docket No. PRM-50-117; NRC-2019-0063]

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