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FOR:	The Commissioners
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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO) Items of Interest Week Ending December 3, 2021

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HELLER, JAMES K.	SR. ALLEGATIONS COORDINATOR	R-III	
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KAISER, RICHARD A.	HEALTH PHYSICIST	R-IV	
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Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Items of Interest Week Ending December 3, 2021

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests, Appeals, and Consultations Received During the Period of November 26 –December 3, as submitted by requester

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2022-000031	Michael Dooley		Request to seal and classify the CIA [Central Intelligence Agency] file of named individual, as specified	11/26/2021
2022-000032	Robert Leyse		Copy of the October 3, 1984 memorandum, the subject of which was "UHI-Ultra High Risk", as described	11/29/2021
2022-000033	Sarah Commisso	Haley & Aldrich Inc.	Any information on inspection reports and termination notifications for the property located at 4751 League Island Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19112 (listed as license number 37-30939-01, dock number 3036637, Apptec Laboratory Services Inc.), and whether the facility demonstrated that it met NRC's criteria to release the facility for unrestricted use	12/01/2021

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Items of Interest Week Ending December 3, 2021

NRC Accepts Hermes Non-Power Test Reactor Construction Permit for Review

On November 29, 2021, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff issued a letter (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML21319A354) accepting for review and docketing the Kairos Power LLC construction permit (CP) application for a 35 MWth non-power test reactor called Hermes to be built in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Review of the Hermes CP application will be the first time that the NRC staff has evaluated TRISO fuel, molten salt coolant, and other novel design features for a license or permit. The NRC staff estimates that it will complete and issue the Final Safety Evaluation Report and the Final Environmental Impact Statement by September 2023, benefitting from robust pre-application engagement with Kairos on its novel technologies and the contents of the Hermes application.

NRC Staff Meets with Duke Energy on Transformation

On December 1, 2021, NRR held a drop-in with representatives from Duke Energy's Lighthouse, an innovation group established by the company as a center of excellence for transformative ideas. NRR/EMBARK facilitated the meeting, with support from the NRC's Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research and the Office of the Executive Director for Operations, which included focused discussion on how to sustain change in an inclusive manner, so that staff participates in transformation. In January 2022, Duke's innovation center plans to host a visit by staff to tour their facility and continue to exchange best practices on transformative culture which EMBARK will share with the rest of the agency.

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Items of Interest Week Ending December 3, 2021

Guidance for Implementation of 10 CFR 50.59, "Changes, Tests and Experiments," at Non-Power Production or Utilization Facilities; Draft Regulatory Guide; Request for Comment; 10 CFR Part 50; [NRC-2021-0194]

On November 23, 2021, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published a notice in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 66464) issuing for public comment a draft regulatory guide (DG), DG-2007, "Guidance for Implementation of 10 CFR 50.59, "Changes, Tests and Experiments," at Non-power Production or Utilization Facilities." This DG describes an approach that is acceptable to the NRC staff to meet the regulatory requirements "Changes, tests and experiments," at a nonpower production and utilization facility, as defined in the DG. Comments are requested by December 23, 2021.

<u>List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Holtec International HI-STAR 100 Cask System, Certificate of Compliance No. 1008, Renewal of Initial Certificate and Amendment Nos. 1, 2, and 3; Direct Final Rule; Confirmation of Effective Date; 10 CFR Part 72 [NRC-2021-0135; RIN 3150-AK68]</u>

On November 24, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 66926) confirming the effective date of December 15, 2021, for the direct final rule that was published in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 54341) on October 1, 2021. This direct final rule amended the Holtec International HI-STAR 100 Cask System listing in the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" to renew, for an additional 40 years, the initial certificate and Amendment Nos. 1, 2, and 3 of Certificate of Compliance No. 1008. The effective date of December 15, 2021, for the direct final rule published October 1, 2021, is confirmed.

NMSS Staff Accepted Application for Amendment to Holtec Certificate of Compliance
On November 24, 2021, staff accepted the application for review of Certificate of Compliance
(CoC) No. 1032 for Holtec's HI-STORM Flood/Wind Multipurpose Canister Storage System
Amendment No. 7 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS)
Accession No. ML21322A290). In addition to thirteen proposed technical changes, Holtec also
proposed to reorganize the CoC and technical specifications (TS) by using the Graded
Approach criteria. The Graded Approach was developed to improve the spent fuel dry storage
licensing process by applying risk insights to clarify the information required in CoC and TS, and
it was endorsed by the NRC in a letter dated January 8, 2020 (ADAMS Accession Package No.
ML19353D337). This is 1 of 3 applications implementing the Graded Approach after the
completion of the pilot.

Miscellaneous Corrections: Final Rule; 10 CFR Chapter I [NRC-2021-0169; RIN 3150-AK70]

On November 30, 2021, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 67839) amending its regulations to make miscellaneous corrections. These changes include correcting a grammatical error, punctuation, a reference, formatting, a mathematical formula, and spelling; clarifying language; revising contact information; and updating an authority citation and internal procedures. This document is necessary to inform the public of these non-substantive amendments to the NRC's regulations. This final rule is effective on December 30, 2021.

NMSS Staff Provided Updated Schedule for License Termination of the Split Rock Uranium Mill Tailings Site

On November 30, 2021, the NRC staff provided an updated schedule (ADAMS Accession No. ML21335A009) to the licensee and the state of Wyoming for the licensee termination and transitioning of the Western Nuclear, Inc. (WNI) Split Rock uranium mill tailings site to the Department of Energy (DOE) for long-term care. The schedule provides the NRC's milestones for the review of the DOE's long-term surveillance plan, establishment of the long-term care fee, and the transfer of Bureau of Land Management land to DOE, all of which are necessary for the license termination of the WNI Split Rock site.

Office of Administration (ADM) Items of Interest Week Ending December 3, 2021

Contract Awarded Drug and Alcohol Testing Services

On November 26, 2021, contract number 31310022C0002 was awarded to Forensic Drug & Alcohol Testing LLC in Chantilly, VA. The purpose of this contract is to procure all services necessary to conduct urine specimen collections for drug testing and occasional breath/alcohol tests in order to comply with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Drug Testing Program requirements. The period of performance is from December 1, 2021, through November 30, 2022, with four option periods. The total potential value of the contract can be up to \$2,041,689.42.

Office of the Secretary (SECY) Items of Interest Week Ending December 3, 2021

Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. None		
Information Papers		
1. SECY-21-0097	11/29/21	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending 11/19/2021
Memoranda		
1. None		

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Dianne Feinstein and Marcy Kaptur submits the NRC's monthly Congressional Status Report for October 2021

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. None