

INFORMATION REPORT

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For: The Commissioners

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Office of Administration (ADM)
Items of Interest
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“Safely Speaking” Contract

On June 22, 2012, as a result of a competitive General Services Administration Schedule solicitation, a fixed price contract (NRC-HQ-12-C-38-0076) was awarded to Employee Learning Innovations, Inc. of Atlanta, GA. This contract will provide qualified instructors to teach NRC staff and managers on “how to effectively listen to safety concerns within a nuclear/industrial environment and respond appropriately.” The courses are to be provided at the NRC's Professional Development Center or in any of NRC's regional facilities. The period of performance is June 22, 2012, to June 21, 2013. The total estimated value of the contract is \$150,000.

Access Authorization Fees; Direct Final Rule; Confirmation of Effective Date; 10 CFR Parts 11 and 25 (RIN 3150-AJ00; NRC-2011-0161)

On June 22, 2012, the NRC published a notice in the *Federal Register* (77 FR 37553) confirming the effective date of June 22, 2012, for the direct final rule that it published in the *Federal Register* on May 3, 2012 (77 FR 26149). The direct final rule amended the NRC's access authorization fees charged to licensees for work performed under the Material Access Authorization Program (MAAP) and the Information Access Authority Program (IAAP).

Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Contract

On June 26, 2012, as a result of a competitive General Services Administration Schedule solicitation, a firm fixed price order (GS02F0037P/NRC-HQ-12-F-38-0002) was awarded to EAP Consultants, Inc. of Marietta, GA. The contractor will provide services and personnel necessary to operate a turnkey EAP program and EAP Website. The period of performance is July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2013, with four 1-year options. The total estimated value of the contract is \$767,415, inclusive of all options.

Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
 Items of Interest
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Arrivals		
Antunes, Jullyenne	Student Intern	IS
Bingham, Isiah	Student Intern	IS
Retirements		
Ashley, Donnie	Senior Project Manager	NRR
Ashley, Mary	Technical Asst (Enforcement)	NRR
Bano, Mahmooda	Administrative Assistant	RES
Higgins, Patrick	Senior Reactor Inspector	R-II
Kotra, Janet	Senior Project Manager	NMSS
Lam, Donna	Senior Human Resources Specialist	OCHCO
Rabideau, Peter	Assoc Dir Space Plan & Consolidation	ADM
Raphael, Mary	FOIA Officer	IS
Richter, Brian	Senior Cost Analyst	NRR
Departures		
Barbour, Joshua	Communication Specialist	R-IV
Gill, Rebecca	Communication Specialist	R-IV
Hatchett, Gregory	Branch Chief	NRO
Kern, Ludwig	Project Engineer	R-I
Staab, Christopher	Project Manager	NMSS
Ulses, Anthony	Branch Chief	NRR
Woods, Mary	Student Fac Security Spec (Co-Op)	ADM

Office of Information Services (OIS)
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of June 22, 2012 - June 28, 2012:

Copies of FOIA request and responses where Willard Mitt Romney and the named entities are the subject, January 1, 2005 – June 21, 2012.	FOIA/PA-2012-0268
All documentation pertaining to OIG Investigation involving named individuals during 2011-2012.	FOIA/PA-2012-0269
Inter-con Security Systems, all documents including records of illegal, fraudulent action and violations of labor laws, January 1, 1976 – June 25, 2012.	FOIA/PA-2012-0270
Centeva, LLC all documents supporting the award of the contract.	FOIA/PA-2012-0271
All emails from NRC personnel for past 6 months; all memo's, reports, and research documents for past year; list of companies/facilities under regulation, including a list of who has not abided by NRC regulations; list of facilities investigated	FOIA/PA-2012-0272

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Groundwater Protection Workshop Attendance

On June 25-29, 2012, staff attended a radioactive effluents and groundwater protection workshop. Staff discussed developments related to radioactive effluents and groundwater protection that have occurred over the last year. Staff also led an NRC Panel Discussion, which included NRC Health Physics Inspectors from all four regions. The purpose of the panel was to engage stakeholders and to provide clarity and awareness of the NRC regulatory program for groundwater protection and radioactive effluents.

Pre-licensing Meeting with Comanche Peak

On June 26, 2012, staff supported a public pre-licensing meeting with the Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant licensee to discuss an anticipated request for two, one-time Technical Specifications changes for 14-day allowed outage times (AOTs) on a startup transformer. The purpose of the extended AOT application is to install a backup transformer to enhance the reliability of offsite power. Power for both operating units will be supplied by the 345kV switchyard during the AOT. The application is expected by September 2012.

Staff Issues Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3 License Renewal Draft Supplement to the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Public Comment

On June 26, 2012, the staff issued for public comment a draft supplement to NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 38, Regarding Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3." This draft supplement updates the document based on information regarding the units of impingement and entrainment data provided by the applicant, revises the conclusions regarding thermal impacts based on newly available thermal plume studies, and updates the status of the NRC's consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act with the National Marine Fisheries Service regarding the short nose sturgeon and Atlantic sturgeon. The public comment period ends on August 20, 2012.

Office of Public Affairs (OPA)
Items of Interest
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OPA received significant media inquiries on the following:

The NRC Inspector General Report on Chairman Jaczko.

Senate confirmation of Dr. Allison M. Macfarlane and Commissioner Kristine Svinicki.

Letter from Rep. Edward Markey concerning a water tank leak at the Palisades nuclear plant (MI), and the NRC's response to a recent safety culture assessment at the plant.

Fort Calhoun Station nuclear plant's (NE) past performance and current status of the 0350 oversight.

The ongoing flood-related issues at Watts Bar nuclear plant (TN) and Sequoyah nuclear plant (TN).

The newly issued NRC draft supplement to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Indian Point nuclear plant's (NY) license renewal application.

Vermont Dept. of Public Service challenge of the NRC's issuance of renewed license for Vermont Yankee nuclear plant (VT).

Seabrook nuclear plant's (NH) response to a post-Fukushima bulletin on mitigating strategies.

The status of Limerick nuclear plant's (PA) decommissioning funding assurance.

Other Public Affairs Items:

OPA supported the following activities:

- Provided New York Times and Nuclear Intelligence Weekly with information from a previous public meeting at the San Onofre nuclear plant (CA) on the Augmented Inspection Team's public exit and preliminary findings surrounding the steam generator.
- Public meetings for Palisades nuclear plant (MI) to discuss NRC's response to a recent safety culture assessment at the plant.
- Interview with Omaha radio station to discuss upcoming public meeting with Omaha Public Power District officials.

OPA issued blog posts:

- New YouTube Video Shows NRC's Hurricane Preparedness.
- Appointment of NRC Commissioners - How does it work?

Press Releases	
Headquarters:	
12-079	NRC Holding Public Meeting to Discuss Proposed Enhancements to its Force-On-Force Inspections (6/29/2012).
12-078	NRC Requests Public Comment on Draft Supplement to Environmental Report on Indian Point License Renewal (6/27/2012).
12-077	Statement of NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko on the Report from the Office of the Inspector General (6/26/2012).
12-076	Cynthia G. Jones Named as NRC Nuclear Safety Attache' at U.S. Mission to International Organizations (6/25/2012).
Regions:	
III-12-026	NRC Issues Confirmatory Order to D.C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant (6/28/2012).
III-12-025	NRC Schedules July 2 Open House to Discuss Kewaunee Nuclear Power Station Performance and NRC Oversight (6/27/2012).
III-12-024	NRC Fines Janx Integrity Group, Inc. \$49,000; Bars Individual from Licensed Activities for One Year (6/27/2012).
IV-12-023	NRC to Meet with Omaha Public Power District Officials to Discuss Fort Calhoun Nuclear (6/29/2012).

Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. Chairman Jaczko's vote and comments on SECY-12-0064	6/20/12	Recommendations for Policy and Technical Direction to Revise Radiation Protection Regulations and Guidance
2. SRM on SECY-12-0069	6/25/12	Process for Addressing Late-Breaking Issues During a Combined License Application Review
3. Commission Voting Record on SECY-12-0069	6/25/12	(same)
4. Commission Voting Record on SECY-12-0004	6/29/12	Final Rule--10 CFR Parts 2, 12, 51, 54, and 61, "Amendments to Adjudicatory Process Rules and Related Requirements" (RIN 3150-AI43)
Information Papers		
1. SECY-12-0087	6/28/12	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending June 22, 2012
Memoranda		
1. M120629	6/29/12	Staff Requirements – Affirmation Session: I. SECY-12-0004 – Final Rule--10 CFR Parts 2, 12, 51, 54, and 61, "Amendments to Adjudicatory Process Rules and Related Requirements" (RIN 3150-AI43)

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Senator Dianne Feinstein, dated June 18, 2012, responds to letter regarding a request for an assessment of the current conditions at the Fukushima Dai-ichi site.
2. Letter to Representative Nita Lowey, dated June 18, 2012, responds to letter regarding the adequacy of evacuation plans for communities surrounding U.S. nuclear power plants following the events at the Fukushima facility.
3. Letter to Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr., responds to letter regarding the emergency evacuation plans of nuclear power plants located in Pennsylvania.

Federal Register Notices Issued

1. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), Meeting of the Subcommittee on Reliability and PRA - ACRS, notice of meeting (07/26-27/2012).
2. Application for a License to Export Nuclear Reactor Major Components and Equipment.
3. Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving Proposed No Significant Hazards Considerations and Containing Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information.