September 4, 2013

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SUBJECT: FORTHCOMING PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS STAFF ANALYSIS OF JAPAN LESSONS-LEARNED TIER 3 ISSUE ON EXPEDITED TRANSFER OF SPENT FUEL TO DRY CASK STORAGE AND TO DISCUSS THE SPENT FUEL POOL STUDY

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, September 18, 2013
10:00am – 5:00pm, EDT

LOCATIONS: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)
One White Flint North
Commissioner’s Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852

PURPOSE: The purpose of this meeting is to provide external stakeholders with information on 1) the NRC staffs’ activities regarding whether regulatory action is needed to require expedited transfer of spent fuel to dry cask storage and 2) the use of the spent fuel pool study and other sources of information in the staff’s assessments. External stakeholders will have an opportunity to ask the NRC staff clarifying questions and to provide feedback to NRC staff. Please see additional notes below.

CATEGORY*: This is a Category 3 public meeting. Public participation is actively sought for this meeting to fully engage the public in a discussion of regulatory issues (as described below, those wishing to participate are encouraged to contact the staff prior to the meeting). No classified, proprietary, or protected information will be discussed.

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Kevin.Witt@nrc.gov

*Commission’s Policy Statement on “Enhancing Public Participation in NRC Meeting” (FR 36920), May 28, 2002
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FORTHCOMING PUBLIC MEETING

EXPEDITED TRANSFER OF SPENT FUEL

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SPENT FUEL POOL STUDY

Wednesday September 18, 2013

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., EDT

10:00 AM    Welcome/Introductions/Logistics

10:15 AM    NRC Presentation
            o Spent Fuel Pool Study – Technical Analysis
            o Spent Fuel Pool Study – Regulatory Analysis
            o Expedited Transfer of Spent Fuel – Generic Assessment
            o Generic technical information
            o Generic Regulatory Analysis
            o Common Questions and Comments received from August 22, 2013 Public Meeting
              ▪ Limited scope of Spent Fuel Pool Study (e.g., event initiators)
              ▪ Partial draindown events
              ▪ Applicability of the Spent Fuel Pool Study to other reactors
              ▪ Exclusion of security events
              ▪ Relative risks of storage pools and dry cask storage
              ▪ Cost/benefit analysis

11:00 AM    Questions and Comments from Pre-Registered External Stakeholders¹

12:00 noon  Lunch Break

1:00 PM      Continuation of Public Questions and Comments

5:00 PM      Adjourn

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