Dated: June 7, 1996. Stephen H. Greene, *Deputy Administrator.* [FR Doc. 96–14953 Filed 6–12–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4410–09–M

National Institute of Corrections

Advisory Board Meeting

Time and Date: 12:30 p.m., Monday, June 24, 1996.

Place: Ramada Inn, 1117 Williston Road, Burlington, Vermont.

Status: Open. Matters To Be Considered: Update on the reimbursement plan for NIC services, Office of Justice Programs' update on the Violent Offender and Truth In Sentencing Grant Program, update on the District of Columbia Department of Corrections Study, progress report from the task force on prison construction standardization and techniques, update on the NIC Executive Excellence Program, status of the final report on the mental health in jails survey, status report on the

positional asphyxia video proposal, and the FY 1997 program plan recommendations.

Contact Person for More Information: Larry Solomon, Deputy Director, (202) 307–3106, ext. 155. Morris L. Thigpen, Deputy Director. [FR Doc. 96–15009 Filed 6–12–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4410–36–M

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Chemistry; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92– 463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Chemistry (#1191).

Date and Time: July 1–2, 1996, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Place: University of Texas, Austin, TX. *Type of Meeting:* Closed.

Contact Person: Karolyn K. Eisenstein, Program Director, Office of Special Projects, Chemistry Division, Room 1055, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd. Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306– 1850.

Purpose of Meeting: To review the renewal proposal, evaluate the Science and Technology Center, and make a recommendation concerning future funding of the Science and Technology Center.

Agenda: To evaluate: (a) the research program; (b) educational and outreach activities; and (3) the knowledge transfer

activities and the management of the STC. To make a recommendation on the future funding of the STC.

Reason for Closing: The proposal being reviewed includes information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are within exemptions (4) and (6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: June 10, 1996.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Public Hearing in Maryland: Railroad Accident

In connection with its investigation of the collision and derailment of a MARC commuter passenger train with AMTRAK Train 29, The Capitol Limited, near Silver Spring, Maryland, on February 16, 1996, the National Transportation Safety Board will convene a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. (local time), on June 26, 1996, at the DoubleTree Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike (Route 355), Rockville, Maryland 20852. For more information, contact Pat Cariseo, Office of Public Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20594, telephone (202) 382–0660.

Dated: June 7, 1996. Bea Hardesty, *Federal Register Liaison Officer.* [FR Doc. 96–14997 Filed 6–12–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7533–01–P

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-261]

Carolina Power & Light Company, H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit No. 2; Exemption

Ι

Carolina Power and Light Company (CP&L or the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR–23, which authorizes operation of the H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit No. 2 (HBR), at steady-state reactor power level not in excess of 2300 megawatts thermal. The facility consists of one pressurized water reactor located at the licensee's site in Darlington County, South Carolina. The license provides, among other things, that it is subject to all rules, regulations and Orders of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC) now or hereafter in effect.

Π

Section III.J of Appendix R to Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50) requires that emergency lighting units with at least an 8-hour battery power supply be provided in all areas needed for operation of post-fire safe shutdown equipment and in access and egress routes thereto. The NRC may grant exemptions from the requirements of the regulations which, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12(a), are (1) Authorized by law, will not present an undue risk to the public health and safety, and are consistent with the common defense and security; and (2) present special circumstances. Special circumstances exist whenever, according to 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(ii), "Application of the regulation in the particular circumstances would not serve the underlying purpose of the rule or is not necessary to achieve the underlying purpose of the rule * * *."

III

By letters dated February 2, 1995, May 15, 1995, and September 29, 1995, Carolina Power & Light Company (the licensee), requested an exemption from certain technical requirements of Section III.J of Appendix R to 10 CFR Part 50 for HBR. Section III.J of Appendix R requires that emergency lighting units with at least an 8-hour battery power supply be provided in all areas needed for operation of post-fire safe shutdown equipment and in access and egress routes thereto. The licensee plans to implement procedure enhancements to its post-accident safe shutdown procedure that would require manual operation of certain valves. The licensee proposed to use the dieselbacked security lighting system for access and egress to, and operation of, auxiliary feedwater (AFW) valves AFW-1 and AFW–104 and instrument air (IA) valve IA-297, stating that the use of the diesel-backed security lighting system will provide an equivalent level of fire safety to that achieved by compliance with Section III.J of Appendix R to 10 CFR Part 50 for access and egress to, and operation of, valves AFW-1 and AFW-104. located in fire zone 33. and valve IA-297, located in fire zone 25.

IV

Valves AFW–1, AFW–104, and IA– 297 are located in outdoor areas within the protected area. These areas and the access and egress paths do not have 8hour fixed battery-operated emergency