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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice of permits issued under  
the Antarctic Conservation of 1978, Pub.  
L. 95-541.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science  
Foundation (NSF) is required to publish  
notice of permits issued under the  
Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978.  
This is the required notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office,  
Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755,  
National Science Foundation, 4201  
Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On  
September 21, 1998, the National  
Science Foundation published a notice  
in the **Federal Register** of permit  
applications received. A permit was  
issued on November 5, 1998 to the  
following applicant:

Erick Chiang Permit No. 99-012

**Nadene G. Kennedy,**  
*Permit Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Meeting Notice

In accordance with the purposes of  
Sections 29 and 182b. of the Atomic  
Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232b), the  
Advisory Committee on Reactor  
Safeguards will hold a meeting on  
December 3-5, 1998, in Conference  
Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike,  
Rockville, Maryland. The date of this  
meeting was previously published in  
the **Federal Register** on Thursday,  
November 20, 1997 (62 FR 62079).

### Thursday, December 3, 1998

**8:30 A.M.-8:45 A.M.: Opening  
Remarks by the ACRS Chairman**  
(Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make  
opening remarks regarding the conduct  
of the meeting.

**8:45 A.M.-10:30 A.M.: NEI Whole  
Plant Study and Options to Make 10  
CFR Part 50 Risk-Informed** (Open)—The  
Committee will hear presentations by  
and hold discussions with  
representatives of the NRC staff and the  
Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) regarding  
staff options to make 10 CFR Part 50  
risk-informed and NEI Whole Plant  
Study to evaluate options for modifying  
10 CFR Part 50 requirements.

**10:45 A.M.-12:15 P.M.: Proposed  
Options to Make 10 CFR 50.59 Risk-  
Informed** (Open)—The Committee will  
hear presentations by and hold  
discussions with representatives of the  
NRC staff and NEI regarding staff  
options to make 10 CFR 50.59 (Changes,  
tests and experiments) risk-informed.

**1:15 P.M.-4:15 P.M.: Integrated  
Review of Assessment Processes and  
Improvements to the Senior  
Management Meeting Process** (Open)—  
The Committee will hear presentations  
by and hold discussions with  
representatives of the NRC staff and NEI  
regarding the integrated review of the  
assessment processes, improvements to  
the Senior Management Meeting  
Process, changes to the inspection  
program, and related matters.

**4:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.: Preparation of  
ACRS Reports** (Open)—The Committee  
will discuss proposed ACRS reports,  
including those on the role of  
frequency-consequence curves in risk-  
informed decisionmaking, NRC Safety  
Research Program, and on lessons  
learned from the review of the AP600  
passive plant design.

### Friday, December 4, 1998

**8:30 A.M.-8:35 A.M.: Opening  
Remarks by the ACRS Chairman**  
(Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make  
opening remarks regarding conduct of  
the meeting.

**8:35 A.M.-9:00 A.M.: Subcommittee  
Report** (Open)—The Committee will  
hear a report of the Plant License  
Renewal Subcommittee regarding  
matters discussed during the November  
18, 1998 meeting as well as a proposed  
ACRS report on license renewal  
activities.

**9:00 A.M.-9:45 A.M.: Report of the  
Planning and Procedures Subcommittee**  
(Open/Closed)—The Committee will  
hear a report of the Planning and  
Procedures Subcommittee on matters  
related to the conduct of ACRS  
business, and organizational and

personnel matters relating to the ACRS,  
including status of appointment of a  
new member to the ACRS.

[**Note:** A portion of this session may be  
closed to discuss organizational and  
personnel matters that relate solely to the  
internal personnel rules and practices of this  
Advisory Committee, and information the  
release of which would constitute a clearly  
unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.]

**9:45 A.M.-10:30 A.M.: Future ACRS  
Activities** (Open)—The Committee will  
discuss the recommendations of the  
Planning and Procedures Subcommittee  
regarding items proposed for  
consideration by the full Committee  
during future meetings.

**10:45 A.M.-11:00 A.M.: Reconciliation  
of ACRS Comments and  
Recommendations** (Open)—The  
Committee will discuss the responses  
from the NRC Executive Director for  
Operations (EDO) to comments and  
recommendations included in recent  
ACRS reports. The EDO's responses are  
expected prior to the meeting.

**11:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M.: Election of  
Officers for Calendar Year 1999**  
(Open)—The Committee will elect a  
Chairman and a Vice Chairman to the  
ACRS and a Member-at-Large to the  
Planning and Procedures Subcommittee.

**1:15 P.M.-2:30 P.M.: Potential Items  
for Meeting with the NRC  
Commissioners** (Open)—The Committee  
will discuss potential items for  
discussion during the ACRS meeting  
with the commissioners on February 3,  
1999. (The commission has not  
approved topics for this meeting.)

**2:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.: Preparation of  
ACRS Reports** (Open)—The Committee  
will continue its discussion of proposed  
ACRS reports.

### Saturday, December 5, 1998

**8:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M.: Preparation of  
ACRS Reports** (Open)—The Committee  
will continue its discussion of proposed  
ACRS reports.

**2:00 P.M.-2:30 P.M.: Miscellaneous**  
(Open)—The Committee will discuss  
matters related to the conduct of  
Committee activities and matters and  
specific issues that were not completed  
during previous meetings, as time and  
availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and  
participation in ACRS meetings were  
published in the **Federal Register** on  
September 29, 1998 (63 FR 51968). In  
accordance with these procedures, oral  
or written views may be presented by  
members of the public, including  
representatives of the nuclear industry.  
Electronic recordings will be permitted  
only during the open portions of the  
meeting and questions may be asked  
only by members of the Committee, its

consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Mr. Sam Duraiswamy, Chief of the Nuclear Reactors Branch, at least five days before the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting may be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting the Chief of the Nuclear Reactors Branch prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with the Chief of the Nuclear Reactors Branch if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

In accordance with subsection 10(d) Pub. L. 92-463, I have determined that it is necessary to close portions of this meeting noted above to discuss matters that relate solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of this Advisory Committee per 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), and to discuss information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy per 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor, can be obtained by contacting Mr. Sam Duraiswamy, Chief of the Nuclear Reactors Branch (telephone 301/415-7364), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. EST.

ACRS meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available for downloading or viewing on the internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/ACRSACNW>.

Video teleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACRS meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACRS meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACRS Audio Visual Technician, (301-415-8066) between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. EST at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service. Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment facilities that they use to establish the video teleconferencing link. The availability of video teleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

The ACRS meeting dates for Calendar Year 1999 are provided below:

ACRS meeting No.	1999 ACRS meeting date
459 .....	January 1999—No meeting.
460 .....	February 4-6, 1999.
461 .....	March 10 (1:00 p.m.)-13, 1999.
462 .....	April 7 (1:00 p.m.)-10, 1999.
463 .....	May 5 (1:00 p.m.)-8, 1999.
464 .....	June 2-4, 1999.
465 .....	July 7-9, 1999.
466 .....	August 1999—No meeting.
467 .....	September 1-3, 1999.
468 .....	September 30-October 2, 1999.
	November 4-6, 1999.
	December 2-4, 1999.

Dated: November 13, 1998.

**Andrew L. Bates,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on December 2, 1998, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

*Wednesday, December 2, 1998—2:00 p.m.*

The Subcommittee will discuss proposed ACRS activities and related matters. It may also discuss the status of appointment of a new member to the ACRS. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions

of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff person named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, the scheduling of sessions open to the public, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff person, Dr. John T. Larkins (telephone: 301/415-7360) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EST). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any changes in schedule, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: November 13, 1998.

**Sam Duraiswamy,**

*Chief, Nuclear Reactors Branch.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Biweekly Notice; Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Involving No Significant Hazards Considerations

#### I. Background

Pursuant to Pub. L. 97-415, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC staff) is publishing this regular biweekly notice. Pub. L. 97-415 revised section 189 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), to require the Commission to publish notice of any amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, under a new provision of section 189 of the Act. This provision grants the Commission the authority to issue and make immediately effective any amendment to an operating license upon a determination by the Commission that such amendment involves no significant hazards consideration, notwithstanding the pendency before the Commission of a request for a hearing from any person.

This biweekly notice includes all notices of amendments issued, or proposed to be issued from October 24, 1998, through November 5, 1998. The last biweekly notice was published on November 4, 1998 (63 FR 59584).