Location
Camping: Possible locations include Damoy Point/Dorian Bay, Danco Island, Rongé Island, the Errera Channel, Paradise Bay (including Almirante Brown/Baie Brown or Skontorp Cove), the Argentine Islands, Andvord Bay, Pleneau Island, the Argentine Islands, Hoygvaard Island, Onne Harbour, Leith Cove, Prospect Point and Portal Point.

UAV filming: Western Antarctic Peninsula region

Dates

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Notice of Public Forum

On Wednesday, October 14, 2015, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) will convene a forum titled "Human and Hardware: Preventing Inflight Loss of Control in General Aviation." The forum will begin at 9:00 a.m. and is open to the public. Attendance is free, and no registration is required.

NTSB Board Member Earl F. Weener will serve as the presiding officer of the forum. Invited panelists will include representatives from the Federal Aviation Administration, researchers, industry and advocacy groups.

Below is the preliminary agenda:

Wednesday, October 14, 2015 (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
1. Opening Statement by Member Weener
2. Staff Presentation on Loss of Control Statistics
3. Presentations on Industry and Government Perspectives and Actions
4. Questions from Member Weener and the Technical Panel
5. Presentations on Human Performance and Medical Issues
6. Questions from Member Weener and the Technical Panel
7. Presentations on Pilot Training Solutions
8. Questions from Member Weener and the Technical Panel
9. Presentations on Equipment and Technology Solutions
10. Questions from Member Weener and the Technical Panel
11. Open Discussion
12. Closing Statement by Member Weener

Unless otherwise noted, the forum will be held in the NTSB Board Room and Conference Center, located at 429 L’Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC. The public can view the forum in person or via live webcast at www.ntsb.gov. Webcast archives are generally available by the end of the day after the forum, and webcasts are archived for 3 months after the date of the event.

Individuals requiring reasonable accommodation and/or wheelchair access directions should contact Rochelle Hall at (202) 314–6305 or by email at Rochelle.Hall@ntsb.gov by Wednesday, October 7, 2015.

NTSB Media Contact: Peter Knudson-peter.knudson@ntsb.gov.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2015–0001]

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

DATE: September 21, 2015.

PLACE: Commissioners’ Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public

Week of September 21, 2015

Thursday, September 24, 2015
9:30 a.m. Strategic Programmatic Overview of the New Reactors Business Line (Public Meeting): (Contact: Donna Williams: 301–415–1322)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—http://www.nrc.gov/

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The meeting on Strategic Programmatic Overview of the New Reactors Business Line scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2015 has been changed to begin at 10:00 a.m.

The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. For more information or to verify the status of meetings, contact Glenn Ellmers at 301–415–0442 or via email at Glenn.Ellmers@nrc.gov.


The NRC provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in these public meetings, or need this meeting notice or the transcript or other information from the public meetings in another format (e.g. braille, large print), please notify Kimberly Meyer, NRC Disability Program Manager, at 301–287–0727, by videophone at 240–428–3217, or by email at kimberly.meyer-chambers@nrc.gov. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Members of the public may request to receive this information electronically. If you would like to be added to the distribution, please contact the NRC’s Public Information Officer at 301–415–0309 or via email at Glenn.Ellmers@nrc.gov.

Dated: September 21, 2015.

Glenn Ellmers,
Policy Coordinator, Office of the Secretary.

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NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

Board Meeting

October 20–21, 2015—The U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold an international technical workshop on the potential deep borehole disposal of high-level radioactive waste.

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100–203, Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987, and in accordance with its mandate to review the technical and scientific validity of U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) activities related to implementing the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (NWPA), the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold an international technical workshop on Tuesday, October 20, and Wednesday, October 21, 2015, to evaluate technical and scientific issues associated with the potential use of deep boreholes to dispose of some radioactive wastes. The workshop is open to the public and there is no charge for attendance.

In June 2013, the Board issued a report: Evaluation of Technical Issues...
Associated with the Development of a Separate Repository for U.S. Department of Energy-Managed High-Level Radioactive Waste and Spent Nuclear Fuel. In its report, the Board reviewed two DOE reports, one of which was released in October 2014 and the other in March 2015. The DOE reports recommended implementing a strategy for disposal of some DOE-managed high-level radioactive waste (HLW), and possibly some DOE-managed spent nuclear fuel (SNF), in a separate geologic repository rather than commingling the DOE wastes in a single repository with commercial HLW and SNF. The October 2014 report also recommended that DOE retain the flexibility to consider options for disposal of smaller DOE-managed waste forms in deep boreholes rather than in a mined, geologic repository. DOE identified cesium and strontium capsules as candidates for disposal in deep boreholes.

The Board’s October workshop will look at issues associated with the design and implementation of a program for deep borehole disposal of solid radioactive wastes. In particular, the objective of the workshop will be to identify the technical and scientific issues associated with DOE’s research and development program to assess the viability of the deep borehole disposal concept and, more broadly, to identify issues associated with implementation of deep borehole disposal.

The workshop will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1250 22nd Street NW., Washington, DC 20037; (Tel) 202–857–3388, (Fax) 202–293–3173. A block of sleeping rooms has been reserved at the hotel for meeting attendees. To make a reservation, attendees may call 1 800–445–8667. The group code name for the workshop is “NUC.” Reservations also may be made on the hotel Web site: http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/W/WASDNES–NUC–20151019/index.jhtml. Reservations must be made by Monday, September 28, 2015, to receive the group rate.

The first day of the workshop will begin at 8:00 a.m. and is scheduled to wind up at about 5:30 p.m. The agenda on Tuesday will begin with presentations by DOE managers and experts on DOE’s plans for studying deep borehole disposal, including a field test program being planned by DOE to provide information on the geoscience of the deep borehole disposal concept and the technical issues associated with its implementation. Following the DOE presentations, panels of experts from this and other countries will discuss issues such as:

- Expected hydrogeological and geochemical conditions at the proposed disposal depth and their associated characterization methods;
- Waste forms to be disposed of, durability of waste-disposal canister and overpack materials, and effectiveness of borehole seals;
- Challenges to deep drilling in crystalline rocks and to operations related to emplacing the waste canisters in boreholes;
- Regulatory framework for deep borehole disposal of solid radioactive wastes;
- Advantages and disadvantages of deep borehole disposal compared with other disposal concepts.

There will be a lunchtime presentation on Tuesday titled “International Perspective on Deep Borehole Disposal.” Those who wish to attend the lunchtime presentation should send an email no later than October 15 to October2015Workshop@nwtrb.gov with the words “Working Lunch RSVP” in the subject line. Information on arrangements for the lunch will be provided in response to the email.

The panel discussions will resume at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday and continue throughout the day until the conclusion of the workshop at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Opportunities for public comment will be provided on both days before the lunch break and at the end of the day. It may be necessary to set a time limit on individual remarks in order to maintain the schedule, but written comments of any length may be submitted during and after the workshop and will be entered into the record of the meeting posted on the Board’s Web site. The meeting will also be webcast through a link that will be posted on the Board’s Web site.

The workshop agenda will be available on the Board’s Web site (www.nwtrb.gov) approximately one week before the meeting. The transcript of the workshop discussions, the presentation materials, and any comments and other documents submitted for the record will be available on the Board’s Web site after November 20, 2015. The Webcast recording also will be available on the Board’s Web site for a period of one year after the workshop.

The Board was established in the 1987 Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act as an independent federal agency in the Executive branch to perform an ongoing objective evaluation of the technical and scientific validity of activities undertaken by DOE related to implementing the NWPA. Board members are experts in their fields and are appointed by the President from a list of candidates submitted by the National Academy of Sciences. The Board reports its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to Congress and the Secretary of Energy. Board reports, correspondence, congressional testimony, and meeting transcripts and materials are posted on the Board’s Web site.

For information on the workshop, contact Bret Leslie at leslie@nwtrb.gov, Roberto Fabalan at pabalanc@nwtrb.gov, or Karyn Severson at severson@nwtrb.gov. For information on meeting logistics, contact Linda Coultry at coultry@nwtrb.gov. They can be reached by phone at 703–235–4473.

Dated: September 17, 2015.

Nigel Mote,
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