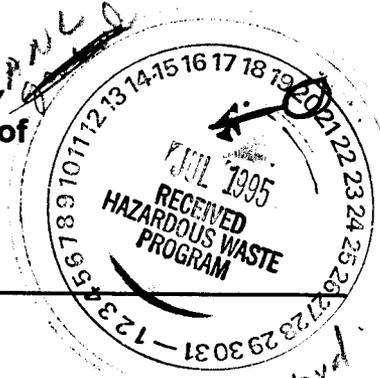


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## NEWS RELEASE

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EXTERNAL REGULATION OF DOE NUCLEAR SAFETY TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING AT SANTA FE AND LOS ALAMOS

July 10, 1995

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The Federal advisory committee reviewing whether or not Department of Energy (DOE) nuclear facilities and operations should be externally regulated will meet July 27 and 28 at the Sweeney Convention Center in Santa Fe, New Mexico and the Fuller Lodge in Los Alamos, New Mexico. The Advisory Committee on External Regulation of DOE Nuclear Safety will hear from DOE and national laboratory officials on the evolving mission of the Department and on regulation and oversight of defense nuclear facilities. The Committee will also hear perspectives on nuclear safety at DOE facilities from a citizen panel.

The meeting will begin on Thursday, July 27 at 8:00 am and adjourn at 5:00 pm in the Sweeney Convention Center, 201 West Marcy Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico. A public comment session will begin Thursday at 7:30 pm. The Friday, July 28, 1995 session will begin at 8:00 am and adjourn at 11:00 am at the Sweeney Convention Center. A second public comment session will be held on Friday, July 28, beginning at 1:00 pm at the Fuller Lodge, 2132 Central Street, Los Alamos, New Mexico.

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The Advisory Committee was appointed by Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary on February 16, 1995, and includes a 25-member panel representing public, Federal, State, Tribal, regulatory and industry interests and experiences. The Committee's charter is to provide advice, information and recommendations on oversight of new and existing DOE nuclear facilities and operations to ensure safety. The Committee's recommendations will be sent by the end of 1995 to the Secretary of Energy, and to the White House Office of Management and Budget and the Council on Environmental Quality.

Speakers at the public comment period may register at the meeting or in advance by contacting Glenda Oakley at (301) 924-6169. Written comments may be filed with the Committee by submitting them at the meeting or by mailing them to Thomas H. Isaacs, Executive Director, Advisory Committee on External Regulation of DOE Nuclear Safety, 1726 M Street NW, Suite 401, Washington, DC 20036, or sending them via electronic mail to the following address:  
external.regulation@em.doe.gov.

The co-chairs of the Committee are Dr. John F. Ahearne, Executive Director of Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society, and Gerard F. Scannell, President of the National Safety Council. The Committee has held four previous meetings at: Washington, D.C.; Northglenn, Colorado, near the DOE Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site; Richland, Washington, near the DOE Hanford Site; and Naperville, Illinois, near DOE's Argonne National Laboratory-East and Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory. Future committee meetings are currently scheduled for September 18-19, near the DOE Savannah River Site in South Carolina and October 16-17, near the DOE Oak Ridge Site in Tennessee.

Information about the Committee is available by calling (toll free) 1-800-736-3282 or by accessing the Internet World Wide Web at: <http://www.em.doe.gov/acd/index.html>. Meeting minutes will be available for public review and copying four to six weeks after the meeting at all DOE Freedom of Information Act Public Reading Rooms, including the following:

National Atomic Museum  
Building 20358, Wyoming Boulevard  
P.O. Box 5400  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87185-5400

U.S. Department of Energy  
Albuquerque Operations Office  
Pennsylvania and H Streets  
P.O. Box 5400  
Kirtland Air Force Base  
New Mexico 78115

Los Alamos National Laboratory  
Community Reading Room  
1350 Central Avenue, Suite 101  
Los Alamos, NM 87544

**Advisory Committee on External Regulation  
of Department of Energy Nuclear Safety  
Fifth Meeting**

**Sweeney Center  
201 West Marcy  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501**

**PROPOSED AGENDA**

**Thursday, July 27, 1995**

**Meeting Room (Main Exhibit Room)**

8:00 am	Welcome	Bruce Twining, Manager, Albuquerque Operations Office, DOE
	Defense Programs: An Evolving Mission and Observations on External Regulation of Defense Nuclear Facilities	Everet Beckner, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs, DOE
8:30 am	Panel on Nuclear Weapon Related Environment, Safety, & Health	Everet Beckner, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs, DOE  Nicholas Dienes, Assistant Manager, Office of Technical Management & Operations, Albuquerque Operations Office, DOE  Steve Guidice, Assistant Manager, Office of Energy, Science, & Technology, Albuquerque Operations Office, DOE
9:30 am	Panel on Regulation of Nuclear Safety at National Defense Programs Research Facilities	James F. Jackson, Deputy Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory  Albert Narath, President, Sandia National Laboratories  C. Bruce Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
10:30 am	Break	
10:45 am	Regulatory Practices of the Department of Labor/Occupational Safety & Health Administration	Joseph Dear, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety & Health, DOL
11:30 am	Regulatory Practices of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission	Thomas Murley, former Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, NRC
12:15 pm	Lunch	

**Advisory Committee on External Regulation  
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Fifth Meeting**

**Sweeney Center  
201 West Marcy  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501**

**PROPOSED AGENDA**

1:15 pm	Citizens Panel on Regulation of DOE Facilities	Adam Babich, Editor-in Chief, Environmental Law Review Beatrice Brailsford, Snake River Alliance Lisa Crawford, Ohio FRESH Milton Lockhart, Responsible Environmental Action League Greg Mello, Los Alamos Study Group
2:30 pm	Committee Discussion and Review of Interim Report	co-Chairs
3:30 pm	Break	
3:45 pm	Committee Discussion and Review of Interim Report (cont.)	co-Chairs
5:00 pm	Adjourn	co-Chairs
7:30 pm	Public Comment at Sweeney Center	co-Chairs

**Friday, July 28, 1995**

**Meeting Room (Main Exhibit Room)**

8:00 am	Committee Discussion of Criteria , Process for the Evaluation of Regulatory Options and Regulatory Options	co-Chairs
10:15 am	Break	
10:30 am	Committee Discussions: Final Subcommittee Efforts; Organization of the Committee's Final report; Assignments & Agreements for the Next Meeting	co-Chairs
11:00 am	Adjourn/Bus for Los Alamos	co-Chairs
12:00 am	Lunch at Los Alamos (Otowi Cafeteria side room)	
1:00 pm	Public Comment at the Fuller Lodge	co-Chairs
2:30 pm	Los Alamos Tour	
6:30 pm	Return Bus to Santa Fe	