

and section 7(b) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 656).

Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of May, 1999.

**Charles N. Jeffress,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (99-065)]

### NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Space Science Advisory Committee (SScAC), Astronomical Search for Origins and Planetary Systems (ORIGINS); Subcommittee Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a forthcoming meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Space Science Advisory Committee, ORIGINS Subcommittee.

**DATES:** Monday, May 24, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, May 25, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** NASA Headquarters, Conference Room MIC-7 West, Room 7H46, 300 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20546.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Harley Thronson, Code SR, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0362.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting will be open to the public up to the capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting includes the following topics:

- Response from Origins Theme Director to Actions from last OS Meeting
  - Report from Origins Theme Director
  - Astrobiology Laboratory at Ames Research Center
  - SIM Science Team Announcement of Opportunity
  - SIM Architecture Downselect Process
  - Evaluation of Future Mission Concepts for the OSS Strategic Plan.
- It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: April 29, 1999.

**Matthew M. Crouch,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 99-064]

### NASA Advisory Council; meeting

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council.

**DATES:** Thursday, May 20, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. and Friday, May 21, 1999, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., except, if launch of the NASA Space Shuttle Mission STS-96, occurs on Thursday, May 20, 1999, then the Thursday meeting start time will be 11:00 a.m.; and if that launch occurs on May 21st, then the Friday meeting time will be 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

**ADDRESSES:** NASA Visitors Center, Center for Space Education, Building M6-306, Kennedy Space Center, FL 32899.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Kathy Dakon, Code Z, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0732.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- International Space Station Update
- ISS Probability Risk Assessment
- ISS Research Status
- Space Transportation Architecture Studies and Faster, Better, Cheaper Update
- Committee/TaskForce/Working Group Reports
- Discussion of Findings and Recommendations

A detailed agenda and further information about the NASA Advisory Council is available on the world wide web at: <http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/codez/nac.htm>

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: April 29, 1999.

**Matthew M. Crouch,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323]

### Pacific Gas and Electric Company (Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2); Exemption

#### I

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, et al. (the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-80 and DPR-82, which authorize operation of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant (DCNPP), Units 1 and 2. The license provides, among other things, that the licensee is subject to all rules, regulations, and Orders of the Commission now or hereafter in effect.

The facility consists of two pressurized-water reactors at the licensee's site located in San Luis Obispo County, California.

#### II

Section 50.60 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Acceptance criteria for fracture prevention measures for lightwater nuclear power reactors for normal operation," paragraph (a) states, in part, that "all light-water nuclear power reactors, \* \* \* must meet the fracture toughness and material surveillance program requirements for the reactor coolant pressure boundary set forth in appendices G and H to this part." Pressurized water reactor licensees have installed cold overpressure mitigation systems/low temperature overpressure protection systems (LTOP) in order to protect the reactor coolant pressure boundary from being operated outside of the boundaries established by the pressure temperature (P/T) limit curves and to provide pressure relief of the reactor coolant pressure boundaries during low temperature overpressurization events.

#### III

Section 50.12(a) of 10 CFR, "Specific exemption," states that \* \* \*

The Commission may, upon application by any interested person, or upon its own initiative, grant exemptions from the requirements of the regulations of this part, which 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. (2) The Commission will not consider granting an exemption unless special circumstances are present.

Section 50.12(a)(2)(ii) of 10 CFR states that special circumstances are present when "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." \* \* \* The licensee's proposed use of Code Case N-514 will be used as an alternative method for establishing the setpoints for the LTOP systems. Based on the conservatism that is incorporated into the methods of Appendix G of Section XI to the ASME Code for calculating P/T limit curves, it is concluded that permitting the LTOP setpoints to be established in accordance with the Code Case (e.g., at a level  $\leq 110\%$  of the limit defined by the P/T limit curves) would provide an adequate margin of safety against brittle fracture failure of the reactor pressure vessels. Accordingly, the Commission has determined that special circumstances as defined in 10 CFR 50.12(a)(2)(ii) exist.

#### IV

The Commission has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12, the exemption is authorized by law, will not present an undue risk to the public health and safety and is consistent with the common defense and security, and is otherwise in the public interest. Therefore, the Commission hereby grants Pacific Gas and Electric Company an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.60 and 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix G, to establish LTOP setpoints. The licensee will be allowed to use Code Case N-514 to establish LTOP setpoints to be used in their P/T limit curves.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.32, the Commission has determined that granting of this exemption will have no significant effect on the environment (64 FR 23688).

This exemption is effective upon issuance.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 3rd day of May 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**John A. Zwolinski,**

*Director, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Regulatory Oversight Process Pilot Workshop

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will hold an additional session to the Regulatory Oversight Process Pilot Workshop on May 20, 1999 (April 23, 1999; 64 R 20025). This session will provide an overview of the regulatory oversight processes and is intended for those who cannot attend the entire workshop. Topics to be covered are an overview of the pilot program, performance indicator, baseline inspection program, significance determination process, enforcement, and assessment. This meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The additional session will be held on May 20, 1999, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the Philadelphia Airport Ramada Inn, 76 Industrial Highway (Rt. 291), Essington, PA 19029. The hotel phone number is (610) 521-9600 or (800) 277-3900.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** August Spector at 301-415-2140 or Lee Miller at 301-415-1361, Mail Stop: O-5H4, Inspection Program Branch, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day of May 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Cornelius F. Holden,**

*Acting Chief, Inspection Program Branch, Division of Inspection Program Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Excepted Service

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This gives notice of positions placed or revoked under Schedules A and B, and placed under Schedule C in the excepted service, as required by Civil Service Rule VI, Exceptions from the Competitive Service.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia H. Paige, Staffing Reinvention

Office, Employment Service (202) 606-0830.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Office of Personnel Management published its last monthly notice updating appointing authorities established or revoked under the Excepted Service provisions of 5 CFR part 213 on March 26, 1996 (64 FR 14772). Individual authorities established or revoked under Schedules A and B and established under Schedule C between February 1, 1999, and March 31, 1999, appear in the listing below. Future notices will be published on the fourth Tuesday of each month, or as soon as possible thereafter. A consolidated listing of all authorities as of June 30 will also be published.

### Schedule A

No Schedule A authorities were established or revoked during February 1999.

One Schedule A authorities was established:

*Department of Health and Human Services*

Intermittent positions, at GS-15 and below and WG-10 and below, on teams under the National Disaster Medical System including Disaster Medical Assistance Teams and specialty teams, to respond to disasters, emergencies, and incidents/events involving medical, mortuary and public health needs. Effective March 3, 1999.

No Schedule A authorities were revoked during March 1999.

### Schedule B

No Schedule B authorities were established or revoked during February 1999.

No Schedule B authorities were established or revoked during March 1999.

### Schedule C

The following Schedule C authorities were established during February and March 1999:

*Council on Environmental Quality*

Special Assistant to the Chair, Council on Environmental Quality. Effective March 8, 1999.

*Commodity Futures Trading Commission*

Administrative Assistant to the Commissioner. Effective February 4, 1999.

*Department of Agriculture*

Confidential Assistant to the Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service. Effective February 3, 1999.

Regional Director, Outreach to the Associate Chief, Natural Resources