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ALL AGREEMENT AND NON-AGREEMENT STATES STATE LIAISON OFFICERS

NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING PUBLIC TELECONFERENCE TO DISCUSS STATUS OF WASTE CONFIDENCE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND RULEMAKING (FSME-13-044)

Purpose: To inform all Agreement and non-Agreement States and State Liaison Officers of the opportunity to participate in a U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) public teleconference on the status of activities related to the Waste Confidence rulemaking and preparation of the Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) that will support the revised Waste Confidence Rule.

Discussion: The public teleconference, sponsored by the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, will be held on **Wednesday, May 29, 2013, from 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**, Eastern Daylight Time. The NRC Waste Confidence Directorate staff will provide an overview of the process and status of the project. The details and agenda for the public teleconference are available in the Agencywide Document Access and Management System, under Accession No. ML13127A380 and online at the Public Involvement in Waste Confidence website:

<http://www.nrc.gov/waste/spent-fuel-storage/wcd/pub-involve.html#tele>.

In an effort to promote transparency and provide an opportunity for open discussion and information sharing, the Waste Confidence Directorate is planning to hold monthly Status Update Teleconferences. Tentative dates for future teleconferences include: June 19, July 17, and August 21, 2013. These teleconferences will be noticed on the NRC public website in the public meeting schedule at the following link:

<http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm>.

Interested parties and members of the public are invited to participate and ask questions; however, discussions in this forum will not be considered formal comments.

Participation: Prior to the start of the meeting, please dial **1-800-857-2553** and provide the operator with passcode **3682386**. Please call 5 -10 minutes prior to the start of the teleconference to allow sufficient time to speak to the operator and be connected.

To receive periodic e-mail communications regarding the Waste Confidence rulemaking, please email: WCO Outreach@nrc.gov. Please contact either of the points of contact below with any questions regarding the public teleconference.

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