*David A. Wright, Chairman* Chairman, South Carolina Public Service Commission

*Renze Hoeksema, Vice Chairman* Director of State Affairs, DTE Energy

David Boyd, Membership Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

**Robert Capstick, Finance** Director of Government Affairs, Yankee Atomic

*Greg R. White, Communications* Commissioner, Michigan Public Service Commission



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# Monday, March 4th

#### 8:00 AM-10:00 AM CLOSED SESSION: NWSC BUSINESS MEETING (MEMBERS ONLY)

- 8:00 AM Breakfast (provided)
- 8:30 AM Welcome & Opening Remarks The Honorable David Wright (South Carolina PSC), NWSC Chairman
- 8:35 AM Introductions
- 8:40 AM NWSC Executive Committee Reports & Discussion
  - NWSC 2013 Strategic Plan; Coordination Activities; Communications; Congressional/Federal Activities; Membership; Finances The Honorable David Wright (South Carolina PSC), NWSC Chairman Ms. Katrina McMurrian, NWSC Executive Director
- 9:00 AM NWSC Mission & Goals , Formal Positions, and Gap Identification Discussion Leader: Ms. Katrina McMurrian, NWSC Executive Director
- 9:10 AM Meeting Goals & Initial Discussion of NWSC 2013 Strategy Discussion Leaders: NWSC Executive Committee & Executive Director
- 10:00 AM Adjourn Business Meeting

#### 10:00 AM-9:00 PM OPEN SESSIONS: MEMBERS & ALL INVITED GUESTS WELCOME

- 10:00 AM Break
- 10:15 AM Welcome & Remarks The Honorable David Wright (South Carolina PSC), NWSC Chairman
- 10:20 AM Introductions of Participants & Non-Member Organizations
- 10:25 AM Administration Strategy & DOE Activities re Nuclear Waste Policy Reform
  Presentation: DOE Strategy & Near-Term Activities

Mr. Christopher Hanson, Senior Policy Advisor, DOE Office of Nuclear Energy

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## 11:00 AM Nuclear Waste Fund (NWF) Reform

- **Presentation:** NWF Issues & Approaches to Ensure Access to Fees & Corpus Mr. Joseph S. Hezir, Vice President & Managing Partner, EOP Group, Inc.
- Panel: Funding Reform Achievable in Near-Term & Via Legislation Moderator: Mr. James Bradford Ramsay, General Counsel/Policy Shop Supervisor, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Mr. Christopher Hanson, Senior Policy Advisor, DOE Office of Nuclear Energy Mr. Joseph S. Hezir, Vice President & Managing Partner, EOP Group, Inc. Mr. Tyler D. Owens, Professional Staff, Senate Committee on Appropriations

## 12:00 PM Lunch Break

## 12:15 PM Transportation & Storage Issues

• Lunch Panel: Transportation & Storage Preparation Activities

Moderator: Mr. Bob Capstick, Director of Government Affairs, Yankee Atomic Mr. Cort Richardson, Director, Northeast High Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Project, The Council of State Governments - Eastern Regional Conference Dr. John C. Wagner, Group Leader, Design, Safety & Simulation Integration, Reactor & Nuclear

Systems Division, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

#### 1:00 PM Congressional Perspective on Nuclear Waste Reform

## House Perspective

*Ms. Annie Caputo, Professional Staff, House Energy & Commerce Committee Mr. David McCarthy, Chief Counsel, House Energy & Commerce Committee* 

#### 1:30 PM Governance Reform

#### Presentation: RAND Report "Choosing a New Organization for Management and Disposition of Commercial and Defense High-Level Radioactive Materials" Dr. Lynn E. Davis, Director, Washington Office, RAND Corporation

#### • Panel: "Fed Corp" Structure and How to Transition Moderator: Mr. Steve Nesbit, Director, Nuclear Policy & Support, Duke Energy Dr. Debra Knopman, Vice President, RAND Corporation Mr. Rod McCullum, Director Used Fuel Programs, Nuclear Energy Institute Mr. Dan Stout, Senior Manager for SMR Technology, TVA

 2:30 PM Congressional Perspective on Nuclear Waste Reform
 Senate Perspective Mr. Matthew Nelson, Professional Staff, Office of Senator Dianne Feinstein (Invited)

#### 3:00 PM Break

## 3:15 PM Bottoms-Up, Consent-Based Proposals for Consolidated Storage & Permanent Disposal

## Panel: Consent Agreement Opportunities/Challenges

Moderator: Ms. Marge Kilkelly, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Senator Angus S. King, Jr. (Invited) Dr. Jason S. Dean, Consultant for Mississippi Energy Institute Col. (Ret.) Cash Jaszczak, Consultant for Nye County, Nevada Mr. Rick McLeod, Executive Director, SRS Community Reuse Organization The Honorable Jack Volpato, Commissioner, Eddy County, New Mexico, and Board Member, Eddy/Lea Energy Alliance

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## 4:15 PM Waste Confidence

Discussion Leader: Mr. Terry Pickens, Director, Nuclear Regulatory Policy, Xcel Energy

- **Presentation: NRC Waste Confidence Activities** Dr. Keith McConnell, Director, Waste Confidence Directorate, NRC
- Remarks: Why Waste Confidence Matters Mr. Ed Davis, Director, Sustainable Fuel Cycle Task Force

#### 4:50 PM Coordination

- **Presentation: Industry Used Fuel Management Strategy** Dr. Everett Redmond, Senior Director, Nonproliferation & Fuel Cycle Policy, NEI
- Updates by Other Organizations Seeking Nuclear Waste Program Reform Mr. Charlie Acquard, Executive Director, National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates Ms. Kara Colton, Director of Nuclear Energy Programs, Energy Communities Alliance Mr. Ben Husch, Committee Director, Energy, Transportation & Agriculture Committee, National Conference of State Legislatures
  - Mr. James Bradford Ramsay, General Counsel/Policy Shop Supervisor, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners

*Mr. Tim Smith, President, Governmental Strategies, Inc., for the Decommissioning Plant Coalition Mr. Alex W. Thrower, Senior Fellow, U.S. Nuclear Infrastructure Council* 

#### 5:30 PM Adjourn

- 6:00 PM Dinner at Nearby Restaurant
- 9:00 PM details coming soon...

# <u>Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup></u>

#### 8:00 AM-10:00 AM CLOSED SESSION: NWSC HILL VISIT PREP MEETING (MEMBERS ONLY)

8:00 AM Breakfast (provided)

#### 8:15 AM Welcome & Remarks

The Honorable David Wright (South Carolina PSC), NWSC Chairman

- 8:20 AM **Congressional Meeting Prep Panel: Political Landscape, Insights/Pointers & Meeting Coverage** Mr. John O'Donnell, Vice President, Federal Public Affairs, Xcel Energy and/or Mr. Christopher Kearney, Senior Lobbyist, Xcel Energy Mr. Michael Riith, Director of Federal Legislative Affairs, Southern Company Mr. Michael Sewell, Manager of Federal Affairs, Duke Energy
- 8:50 AM NWSC 2013 Strategy Revisions & Message Development for Hill Visits Discussion Leaders: NWSC Executive Committee & Executive Director
- 10:00 AM Adjourn to Congressional Visits
- 10:30 AM- Congressional Meetings on the Hill 4:00 PM