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Security

Federal appeals court upholds plutonium ruling regarding Savannah River Site. IAEA delegation visits Texas A&M University's Center for Nuclear Security Science and Policy Initiatives. Think tank recommends Savannah River Site as cybersecurity hub. DOE assesses emergency management program at Savannah River Site. DOE moves to protect critical electric infrastructure information.

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Fuel

DOE funds advanced fuel rod research led by GE team. DOE proposes fabricating fuel from high-assay low-enriched uranium. NRC issues draft environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact for proposed renewal of Metropolis Works' source materials license.

Waste Management

NRC updates public on spent fuel loading "near miss" at San Onofre nuclear power plant. NRC holds off on finding new Nevada site for Yucca Mountain hearings. SEFOR reactor core removed for disposal. Startup testing of cesium removal system at Savannah River Site completed. NRC approves Exelon's request for Oyster Creek license exemptions. Atomic Safety and Licensing Board to hear challenges to Holtec International's proposed consolidated interim storage facility.

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