Update

• Legislative update
• Spent Nuclear Fuel R&D Programs

David Victor, Chairman
Legislation

• House
  • HR 474 Interim Consolidated Storage Act of 2017, introduced in Jan 2017, cosponsored by CA Reps. Issa, Calvert, Peters, Matsui, Bera, Hunter, and Rohrabacher
  • April 2017 House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee Chairman Shimkus held hearing on draft used fuel legislation
    • Discussion draft authorizes Secretary to develop interim storage program
    • Legislation links decision on permanent storage to interim storage

• Senate
  • Expect Sens. Murkowski, Feinstein, Alexander and Cantwell to reintroduce consent-based siting legislation on spent nuclear fuel later this year

• Appropriations
  • The House and Senate passed legislation week of May 1 to fund government through September 30, 2017, which did not include funding for Yucca Mountain or CIS

• Administration
  • In March, Administration released “skinny budget”, with funding for Yucca Mountain and CIS; in addition to making programmatic changes across all federal agencies
  • Administration plans on releasing its longer budget on May 22, which we expect will continue to include these priorities
High Burnup Fuel R&D Program

- Department of Energy’s Office of Nuclear Energy
  - High burnup fuel (HBF) demonstration project
  - In conjunction with Electric Power Research Institute
  - Fuel placed in cask and stored for ~10 years
  - Thereafter, cask opened and fuel examined
  - Seek to understand how HBF behaves in storage

- Interest in additional information?