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**MEDIA ADVISORY  
FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER TIM ECHOLS**

**SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABLE NUCLEAR FUEL MANAGEMENT**

Who: **Tim Echols—Public Service Commissioner**, State of Georgia, host and facilitator

What: Symposium on Sustainable Nuclear Fuel Management

When: Tuesday August 23, 2011 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: Georgia Institute of Technology, Auditorium of the Callaway Manufacturing Research Center (MARC), 813 Ferst Drive, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia.

ATLANTA – August 1, 2011 – Commissioner Tim Echols, of the Georgia Public Service Commission, will be hosting a Symposium on Sustainable Nuclear Fuel Management at the Georgia Institute of Technology on Tuesday August 23, 2011 beginning at 8 a.m. The Symposium, featuring eleven speakers and a panel discussion, will focus on challenges to develop a sustainable nuclear fuel management solution in the United States.

Public Service Commission Chairman Stan Wise said, “The Georgia Public Service Commission continues to bring to the forefront the issues surrounding nuclear waste and the expense of inactivity. The Commission and its national organization have continued to point out the continued failure and related expense of not establishing a nuclear waste repository.”

**Agenda**

8 a.m.	Registration/Continental Breakfast	
8:30 a.m.	Opening Remarking	Commissioner Tim G. Echols
8:35 a.m.	Overview and Used Fuel Management Driven Approach to Fuel Cycle	Bojan Petrovice, Georgia Institute of Technology
9 a.m.	Summary of the Blue Ribbon Commission interim report	Per Peterson, University of California, Berkeley
9:40 a.m.	Considerations for Regulating Safety At Potential SNF Reprocessing Facilities	Brittain Hill, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
10:20 a.m.	Break	
10:35 a.m.	Used Nuclear Fuel in the U.S. –	John Pemberton,

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11:10 a.m.	A Utilities Perspective A Utility View of Nuclear Fuel Management	Southern Nuclear Operating Company Mike Mastilovic Tennessee Valley Authority
11:45 a.m.	Lunch	
12:50 p.m.	Challenge and Opportunity: Nuclear Safety In a Post-Fukushima World	Admiral James Ellis, Institute for Nuclear Power Operation
1:25 p.m.	TBD	Mike Goff, U.S. Department of Energy-Idaho National Laboratory
2:00 p.m.	Introduction of AREVA Speakers	Pascal Le Deunff Consul General of France in Atlanta
2:05 p.m.	Role and Status of Yucca Mountain	Eric Knox URS
2:40 p.m.	Industry perspective on starting to Close the fuel cycle in the U.S.	Paul Murray AREVA
3:15 p.m.	Break	
3:30 p.m.	Proposal to Blue Ribbon Commission On Nuclear Fuel Cycle	Jack Spencer Heritage Foundation
4:05 p.m.	Technical and Historical Aspect of NARUC Lawsuit	Brian O'Connell National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners
4:40 p.m.	Panel Discussion	Speakers
5:40-5:45 p.m.	Closing Remarks	Commissioner Echols

**Registration:**

Space for the Symposium is limited and interested participants are encouraged to register early. Registration will be open through Monday August 15, 2011. Details and registration can be completed online at [www.ssnfm.gatech.edu/register](http://www.ssnfm.gatech.edu/register)

**Hotel:**

Attendees are encouraged to stay at the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center, 800 Spring Street, N.W. Atlanta 30308. A special room rate of \$122 per night has been reserved for the Symposium. The Georgia Tech Trolley provides convenient transportation from the Hotel to the Symposium auditorium. Reservations may be completed online or by contacting the hotel directly at 866-395-1376. In the event the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center does not have any rooms available, please contact Mrs. Shauna Bennett-Boyd ([shauna.boyd@nre.gatech.edu](mailto:shauna.boyd@nre.gatech.edu)) for additional hotel options.

Commissioner Echols is the newest member of the Georgia Public Service Commission, having been elected statewide to a six-year term in November, 2010. His complete biography is at <http://tiny.cc/y5ktq>. The Commission web site is [www.psc.state.ga.us](http://www.psc.state.ga.us).

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