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EURATOM SPONSORS NUCLEAR INDUSTRY MEETING ON COMMUNITY POWER PROJECTS

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29 -- The nuclear energy industries of the European Community countries (Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands) are participating in a meeting being held today in Brussels under sponsorship of Euratom (European Atomic Energy Community).

The more than 160 participants, who represent nearly all the nuclear enterprises and electricity companies in the Community, are exchanging and discussing data on the construction of five nuclear power plants in the Community.

The five nuclear projects, in which Euratom is participating, are: the 150-MWe SENN plant between Rome and Naples; the 200-MWe SIMEA plant at Latina, south of Rome; the 266-MWe SENA plant on the Franco-Belgian border near Givet; the 237-MWe KRB plant at Gundremmingen, Bavaria; and the 50-MWe SEP plant in the Dutch province of Gelderland.

After an introductory address by Euratom Commissioner Paul de Groote, an examination of the various projects took place under the chairmanship of E. R. von Geldern, Euratom's Director-General for Industry and Economy.

Representatives of the electricity companies concerned and of Euratom outlined the technical development of each of the projects. General discussion covered in detail both the industrial and economic aspects of reactor construction. The participants expressed satisfaction at the comprehensive information made available through Euratom's reactor program.