April 9, 2013

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FROM:	Aloysius O. Obodoako, Materials Engineer / <b>RA</b> / Steam Generator Tube Integrity and Chemical Engineering Branch Division of Engineering Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
SUBJECT:	SUMMARY OF THE MARCH 14, 2013, CATEGORY 2 PUBLIC MEETING WITH NUCLEAR INDUSTRY VENDORS TO DISCUSS NEUTRON ABSORBING MATERIALS IN SPENT FUEL POOLS

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## AGENDA FOR MEETING WITH NUCLEAR INDUSTRY VENDORS – NEUTRON ABSORBING MATERIALS IN SPENT FUEL POOLS AT U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS (ACRS) ROOM T-2B3 <u>11545 ROCKVILLE PIKE, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852</u> MARCH 14, 2013, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Teleconference Number: 800-369-1716, Pin: 26751

Meeting Check-in	12:45 – 1:00 PM
Opening Remarks: Mike Cheok, Deputy Director, DE/NRR	1:00 – 1:05 PM
Aude Prestl, BÖHLER Bleche GmbH & Co KG Topic: Neutronit®	1:05 – 1:30 PM
Laszlo Zsidai, Project Manager/Materials Engineer, Holtec Topic: Metamic Inserts and the Installation Process	1:30 – 1:55 PM
Annie Villeneuve, Product Manager, Ceradyne Inc. Topic: Ceradyne Canada's Neutron Absorbers	1:55 – 2:20 PM
Louis Lherbier, Director, Carpenter Technology Corporation Topic: Micro-Melt® DuoSorb™ and NeutroSorb® Alloys	2:20 – 2:45 PM
Kazuto Sanada, General Manager, Nippon Light Metal Topic: MAXUS®	2:45 – 3:10 PM
Break	3:10 – 3:20 PM
Pierre Marchand, Rio Tinto Alcan Topic: Boralcan <sup>™</sup>	3:20 – 3:45 PM
Charles Stinner, Allegheny Technologies Inc. Topic: NuShield <sup>™</sup> Borated Stainless Steels	3:45 – 3:55 PM
Matt Eyre, Director, Northeast Technology Corporation (NETCO) Topic: NETCO Snap-In Projects	3:55 – 4:05 PM
Public Comments/Questions	4:05 – 4:20 PM
Break	4:20 – 4:25 PM
Closed Portion of Meeting	
Matt Eyre, Director, NETCO	4:25 – 4:40 PM
Charles Stinner, Allegheny Technologies Inc.	4:40 – 4:55 PM

## LIST OF ATTENDEES MARCH 14, 2013, MEETING WITH THE NUCLEAR INDUSTRY REGARDING NEUTRON ABSORBING MATERIAL DEGRADATION IN SPENT FUEL POOLS

Industry Charles Stinner, ATI Xavier Clausse, NLM Robert Cote, BÖHLER Bleche Keith Waldrop, EPRI Matt Eyre, NETCO Matt Harris, NETCO Toshiaki Yamazaki, Nikkeikin ACT Al Strasser, Aquarius Services Annie Villeneuve, Ceradyne Canada Kazuto Sanada, NLM Aude Prestl. BÖHLER Bleche Pierre Marchand, Rio Tinto Alcan David Novotnak, Carpenter Andy Jung, AREVA Louis Lherbier, Carpenter Andrew Yeshnik, AREVA Greg Del Corso, Carpenter Hiruy Hadsu, AREVA Daisuke Nagasawa, NLM John Kessler, EPRI Rod McCullum, NEI Laszlo Zsidai, Holtec

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