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NOTIFICATION OF AN UPCOMING WEBINAR ON NRC'S SAFETY CULTURE (STC-17-045)

Purpose: To provide notification that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff will conduct a webinar on NRC's Safety Culture on June 20, 2017, as part of the ongoing State Liaison Officers webinar training series.

Background: The NRC recognizes that it is important for all organizations performing or overseeing regulated activities to establish and maintain a positive safety culture. The NRC's approach to safety culture is based on the premise that licensees bear the primary responsibility for safety. The NRC provides oversight of safety culture through expectations detailed in policy statements and the oversight processes.

The NRC's Safety Culture Policy Statement (SCPS) (<https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/safety-culture/sc-policy-statement.html>) sets forth the Commission's expectation that individuals and organizations establish and maintain a positive safety culture commensurate with the safety and security significance of their activities and the nature and complexity of their organizations and functions. The SCPS is not a regulation. It applies to all licensees, certificate holders, permit holders, authorization holders, holders of quality assurance program approvals, and vendors and suppliers of safety-related components. The SCPS also applies to applicants for a license, certificate, permit, authorization, or quality assurance program approval, subject to NRC authority. In addition, the Commission encourages the Agreement States, their licensees, and other organizations interested in nuclear safety to support the development and maintenance of a positive safety culture within their regulated communities.

The SCPS addresses both safety and security. Organizations should ensure that personnel in the safety and security sectors appreciate the importance of each and should emphasize the need for integration and balance to achieve both safety and security in their activities.

Discussion: The NRC continues to seek ways to engage in outreach and the development of educational tools for use by the regulated communities, and the Agreement States for their licensees and certificate holders, in the area of safety culture. This webinar will provide an overview of NRC activities and examples of safety culture issues found in our oversight processes.

The webinar is scheduled for June 20, 2017, from 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. (ET). Participants must register in advance of the webinar at the following link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6763343795005979137>.

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