Industry Recommendations on Spent Fuel Pool Risk Study

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Introduction

- PRA approach to non-catastrophic events is generally sound
- Best estimates needed:
 - Mechanistic evaluation of event evolution
 - Ru Release
 - Seismic hazards
 - Cask Drop



Introduction (cont.)

- Need to address policy implications of protections driven predominantly by beyond design basis seismic events
 - NUREG 1150:
 - ◆ Safety goals based on ratio of nuclear risks to non-nuclear risks (e.g., early fatality should not exceed 1/1000 of background accident death rate)
 - Ratio of reactor accident contribution for a large seismic event is likely very small



Recommendations

- Complete report prior to applying results
- Conduct formal peer review
- Apply complete study to a test case regulation, e.g., maintenance rule.

