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DECOMMISSIONING REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT

PRESENTATION DURING MEETING WITH NEI

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TASKS UNDERWAY BY NRC STAFF

- **Spent Fuel Pool Risk Assessment**

- **Technical Staff is assessing spent fuel pool risks and developing criteria to evaluate regulatory relief for decommissioning nuclear power plants**

*approaches
+ methods*

- **Decommissioning Regulatory Improvement**

- **Projects Staff will apply the criteria developed by the technical staff to improve and risk-inform decommissioning rulemakings currently in progress**
- **Projects Staff is evaluating other options which will improve the regulation of nuclear power plants undergoing decommissioning**

DECOMMISSIONING REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT

- **Staff is considering consolidating the decommissioning regulations of 10 CFR Part 50 to a dedicated location**
 - **Will only contain rules applicable to nuclear power plants that have permanently ceased operation**
 - ✓ – **Will eliminate uncertainties as to rules that no longer apply to decommissioning**
 - **Will permit changes to decommissioning requirements without impacting operating licensees**
 - **Will help identify additional decommissioning regulations where risk-informing might reduce unnecessary regulatory burden**
- **Any changes will be accomplished through the normal rulemaking process which permits ample opportunity for public and industry comments**

GOALS

- **To enhance the clarity, efficiency, and effectiveness of decommissioning regulations while maintaining safety**
- **To improve public confidence in the regulatory process of decommissioning nuclear power reactors**
- **Staff encourages comments and questions from the industry and public stakeholders**