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SUMMARY OF THE JULY 12, 2002, NRC/INDUSTRY MEETING OF THE RISK-INFORMED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION TASK FORCE

The NRC staff met with the NEI Risk-Informed Technical Specification Task Force (RITSTF) on July 12, 2002, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. The meeting attendees are listed in Enclosure 2.

The agenda (Enclosure 3) consisted of discussions of the seven active RITSTF initiatives. The RITSTF provided a summary of the status of the initiatives (Enclosure 4), updated to reflect the meeting's progress. Following is a brief description of the status of the initiatives in the order in which they were discussed.

Initiative 3, TSTF-359, Modification of mode restraint requirements of LCO 3.0.4 & SR 3.0.4:

The content of TSTF 359, Revision 7 was discussed. The RITSTF will submit TSTF-359, Revision 7, and the staff will complete writing the SER for the first CLIIP Federal Register Notice requesting public comment. The staff will publish the first CLIIP Federal Register Notice soon after TSTF 359, Revision 7 is received.

Initiative 1, TS Actions End States Modifications: The CE topical SER was issued on July 17, 2001. The BWR topical SER has been written and is in internal NRC review. A conference call was held to resolve questions resulting from NRC SER review; the BWROG is working on the resolution of issues. After resolution of issues a draft BWR topical SER will be provided the BWROG, to allow the RITSTF to map the requirements and prepare the BWR TSTF-423. The RITSTF provided the CE TSTF-422 in June and staff review has begun.

Initiative 6, Modification of LCO 3.0.3 Actions and Completion Times: A CEOG submittal (on 6b/c) was received on January 24, 2001, and it was reviewed by the staff. RAIs were issued on May 9, 2001. A conference calls are being held as necessary to resolve questions. The staff is preparing an SER. A comprehensive TSTF-426, for all OGS, is planned to be submitted on September 30, 2002.

Initiative 5, Relocation of non-safety SRs (5b) and relocation of all SR frequency requirements (5a) out of TS: The RITSTF will develop a Guidance Document on an Initiative 5 methodology and provide it to the NRC by September 30, 2002. The RITSTF will get a pilot plant to test the proposed program and procedures. After NRC review and acceptance of the Guidance Document, the RITSTF will prepare and submit TSTF-425.

Initiative 7, Non-TS support system impact on TS operability determinations: The RITSTF presented an enhanced white paper at the December 19, 2001 meeting. The NRC provided feedback to this enhanced white paper on January 25, 2002. The RITSTF submitted TSTF-372, Revision 1, addressing only snubbers, on January 14, 2002. The NRC staff and the RITSTF are working together to resolve the open issues. The RITSTF will submit a revision to TSTF-372 by July 31, 2002. The RITSTF will submit TSTF-427 by September 15, 2002.

Initiative 8a, Remove/Relocate non-safety and non-risk significant systems from TS that do not meet 4 criteria of 10 CFR 50.36: The NRC is currently developing guidance on plant specific application of Initiative 8a. The RITSTF will interface with the NRC in the development of the guidance. The RITSTF will develop: a position paper on Initiative 8a by July 31, 2002; guidance and a methodology for implementing Initiative 8a by September 30, 2002; and, a TSTF by November 30, 2002.

Initiative 4b, Risk Informed AOTs, use of a configuration risk management program (CRMP):
The NEI RITSTF will coordinate comprehensive and multiple pilots, including CEOG, STP and Hope creek pilots. The RITSTF will seek to obtain a pilot plant that has converted to the STS. While each pilot may not address the proposed methodology completely, the RITSTF will ensure the various approaches will prove the entire proposed methodology. The RITSTF will ensure a single coordinated methodology will emerge from and be supported by the individual pilots. The RITSTF will provide: an integration plan with schedules by August 15, 2002; a CEOG TSTF addressing a single system by August 31, 2002; a draft guidance document by October 31, 2002; the pilot plants will submit applications by December 31, 2002; and an integrated TSTF-424 in March 2003.

The next NRC TSS/NEI RITSTF meeting is scheduled for September 24 and 25, 2002; the location is to be determined.

NRC/INDUSTRY MEETING OF THE
RISK-INFORMED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION TASK FORCE ATTENDANCE LIST
JULY 12, 2002

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AGENDA

TSB/NEI RITSTF Meeting
July 12, 2002 from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, in O-9B4

- Status of Initiatives
 - Initiative 3, LCO 3.0.4 & SR 3.0.4 (Mode Restraint) Flexibility
TSTF-359 R7 and SER for CLIP
 - Initiative 4b, RI AOTs with CRMP
Industry proposed approaches, pilots
 - Initiative 5, STI Evaluation Methodology
RAI Responses
 - Initiative 1, End States
BWR SER preparation
TSTF submittal
 - Initiative 6, LCO 3.0.3 Actions and Completion Times
 - Initiative 7, Non-TS Support System Operability Impact on TS System & TSTF-372
 - Initiative 8a, Remove/Relocate non-safety & non-risk significant systems from TS
- Schedule Next Meeting
- Closing Comments