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SUBJECT: MEETING SUMMARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE
GROUP AND RESEARCH PROGRAM FOR PROACTIVE
MATERIALS DEGRADATION MANAGEMENT

On August 16 and 19, 2005, staff from the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research and contractors from Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, held the first formal meeting to plan an International Cooperative Group and Research Program focused on Proactive Materials Degradation Management (PMDM). This planning meeting was held in conjunction with the 12th International Conference on Environmental Degradation of Materials in Nuclear Power Systems-Water Reactors at Snowbird, Utah. Participants were from a range of countries including the United States, Canada, France, Sweden, Belgium, Korea, Japan, United Kingdom, Czech Republic, Finland, Switzerland, Spain, and Germany. Participants represent utilities, regulators, manufacturers, universities, and research labs. This activity is supported by the Commission's SRM M041108AB.

The first part of the public meeting was held on Tuesday, August 16, 2005 and consisted of four presentations. The first presentation was given by Mr. Robin Dyle of Southern Nuclear Operating Company. The purpose of Mr. Dyle's presentation was to explain the industry's actions with regard to their Proactive Materials Degradation Assessment (PMDA) program. In particular, Mr. Dyle illustrated the industry's degradation action matrix, how it can be implemented, and how it can be improved in the future. The second presentation by Dr. Joseph Muscara of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research introduced some of the PMDA work that has been sponsored by the NRC. In particular, his presentation gave a detailed overview of the NRC's PMDA program that assembled a panel of international experts which used a Phenomena Identification Ranking Table (PIRT) technique to evaluate degradation phenomena for thousands of PWR and BWR components. The third presentation by Dr. Joseph Muscara, described the way in which an international cooperative group and research program focused on PMDM could be organized. It was made clear that the presentation was to be interactive, and that the information contained in the talk was a platform upon which to be developing the international cooperative group. The organization for the international cooperative group, described by this presentation, was modeled after the NRC's current steam generator

international cooperative agreement. The final presentation of the day was given by Dr. Peter Ford, who is one of the expert panelists for the NRC's PMDA program described previously. In particular, Dr. Ford presented some of the results from the PMDA PIRT exercise, describing the type of research that would be needed in order to be proactive.

The public meeting continued on Friday, August 19, 2005 and was split into two sessions. The first session started off with a round of questions and answers. Some of the concerns that were raised were the costs of being involved. Another concern was how smaller countries would be able to participate. It was explained that the costs could be viewed in person-years rather than dollars, and that it may be possible for small countries to join together as one participant. After the question and answer session concluded, presentations were made by organizations which would like to participate in the international cooperation. Presentations were conducted by Francisco Javier Perosanz of the Research Center for Energy, Environment and Technology (CIEMAT), Patrick Pinhero of Idaho National Laboratory (INL), Milan Brumovsky of the Nuclear Research Institute Rez PLC. (Public Limited Company), and Paul Sherburne of Framatome.

The second session on Friday started out with a presentation by Dr. John Hickling of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI). This presentation focused on EPRI's current PMDA research. Following Dr. Hickling's presentation, Dr. Steve Doctor of Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) discussed some of the NRC's sponsored PMDA work which PNNL has been conducting. This PNNL PMDA work is examining current in-service inspection criteria and determining if it is effective. Following this presentation, Dr. Steve Doctor gave a final presentation discussing what future research is needed for non-destructive evaluation (NDE) in order to be proactive. The public meeting was concluded with a final round of questions.

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**Cooperative Group and Research Program for
Proactive Materials Degradation Management (PMDM)
Planning Meeting #1 - August 16 & 19, 2005
Snowbird Resort, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA**

Preliminary Agenda

<i>Tuesday Afternoon, August 16, 2005</i>		
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Welcome & Meeting Overview	Joe Muscara, US NRC
1:45 pm – 2:30 pm	Materials Management Initiative Overview	Robin Dyle, Southern Co.
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Overview of PMDM Activities: Summary of PIRT Assessment	Joe Muscara, US NRC
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Overview of PMDM International Cooperative Group Program	Joe Muscara, US NRC
4:30 pm – 5:15 pm	PMDM Key Research Areas	Peter Ford
Friday, August 19, 2005 (final will be set on Tuesday)		
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Questions and Answers	All
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Presentations by Attendees and Discussion	TBD
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break	
10:15 am – 11:00 am	Assessment of NDE Techniques/ISI Programs for Degradation Detection	Steve Doctor, PNNL
11:00 am – noon	Discussion of Key NDE Research & Development Needs	Steve Doctor, PNNL
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Overview of EPRI Corrosion Gap Research Projects	John Hickling, EPRI
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Presentations by Attendees and Discussion	TBD
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Break	
3:15 pm – 4:30 pm	Separate into working groups to discuss/identify key research issues for (1) Materials/Degradation Mechanisms; (2) NDE & Monitoring and (3) Mitigation, Repair & Replacement	
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Wrap-up, Final Discussions and Next Steps	

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NAME	ORGANIZATION
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Bob Carter	Electric Power Research Institute
John Hickling	Electric Power Research Institute
Raj Pathania	Electric Power Research Institute
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