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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP HELD ON JANUARY 9 AND 10,  
2006, REGARDING DRAFT NRC GENERIC LETTER 2006-XX: GRID  
RELIABILITY AND THE IMPACT ON PLANT RISK AND THE  
OPERABILITY OF OFFSITE POWER

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a public workshop on January 9 and 10, 2006, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO), the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), PJM, industry, and interested members of the public at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Bethesda, MD to discuss the draft Generic Letter 2006-xx: Grid Reliability and the Impact on Plant Risk and the Operability of Offsite Power.

The public workshop consisted of an NRC staff presentation on the Generic Letter and three panel sessions. Paul Gill, a Senior Electrical Engineer with the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), provided a full explanation of what is intended by the Generic Letter questions, the NRC's expectation for responses, and how the NRC anticipates using the information they receive in response to the Generic Letter. The first panel on risk insights included two staff members from the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), Dale Rasmuson and Bill Raughley, and a representative from EPRI, Gary Vine. The second panel on transmission system operations included a staff member from the NRR (Ronaldo Jenkins, Chief of the Electrical Engineering Branch in the Division of Engineering) and a representative from each of the following organizations: FERC (Susan Court), NERC (David Nevius), PJM (Frank Koza), and NARUC (Samuel J. Ervin IV). The third panel on industry initiatives included a staff member from the NRR (Michael Mayfield, Director of the Division of Engineering) and a representative from each of the following organizations: INPO (Clair Goddard) and NEI (Alex Marion).

As a result of the public workshop, the NRC staff agreed to consider the questions that were raised at the workshop when deciding whether it was necessary to revise the Generic Letter.

Enclosure 1 of this memorandum contains a list of meeting attendees, Enclosure 2 contains the NRC's response to comment cards that were collected at the public workshop, Enclosures 3 through 10 contain the slides or statements for the individual presenters, and Enclosure 11 contains a prepared statement from the Bonneville Power Administration. Enclosures 12 and 13 contain the meeting transcripts.

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