

February 16, 2006

MEMORANDUM TO: Sunil D. Weerakkody, Branch Chief
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INDUSTRY/NRC FIRE PROTECTION ISSUE MANAGEMENT TRACKING LIST
Active Items - Draft 7 - January 31, 2006

Tracking #	Issue/origin	Priority	NRC Position	Industry Position	Next Action	Action Responsibility	Action Due Date	Applicable References
NFPA 805/10 CFR 50.48(c)								
805-3	Processing of licensing basis issues (how issues are to be handled during transition) for licensees adopting NFPA 805 (issue needs more definition)	N - High I - High	NRC will develop RG based on Rev 1	Rev. 1 in with NRC	Develop revised version based on issued identified during pilot plants	I	Dec 2006	Add accs no for 04-02
805-8	NRC issue final reg guide for adoption of NFPA 805 licensing basis	N - High I - High	Minimize RG content - include guidance in NEI 04-02	Agree with NRC position; RG should fully endorse NEI 04-02	NRC to Complete RG <i>Address ACRS Comments</i>	N	Spring 2006	DG-1139, NEI 04-02
805-9	Communication tools for 805 plants	N-High I-High		Need tool similar to IMP to manage issues that come out of pilots, similar to license renewal	NEI to prepare draft	I	Summer 2006	
805-10	The development of Fire PRA Peer Review Guide	N-Med I-Med	To be completed 6 months before 1 st non-pilot scheduled to submit. Not conditional on ANS Std	NEI to create peer review guide for FP PRAS	NEI to deliver draft to NRC	I	Winter 06/07	
Circuit Failure								
CF-9	Additional clarification of circuit analysis terms	N-High I-low	Additional issues require clarification		NRC to consider comments/ hold public meeting/ issue GL	N	Comments close 2/6/6	ML051650017
Fire Barrier Issues								
FB-4	Generic communication on Hemyc/MT test results	N- High I-?	NRC will collect information regarding Hemyc/MT and licensees will act to ensure compliance is met		NRC to issue generic communication on Hemyc/MT	N	Ongoing	ML051990212 - To discuss in March Meeting
Other Fire Protection Issues								

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FP-7	Containment Oil Misting	N - Med I - Med	Potential non-compliance with III.O, if from RCPs. Two plants have affected RCPs. Two other plants may have other oil source		Industry to survey and report NRC to provide specifics	I	Summer 2006	
FP-11	Instrument Tubing separation for III.G	N-Low I-Low	How widespread is assumption that instrument tubing is not required to be separate for Appendix R. NRC position is that tubing, if affected by fire, could affect SSD should be protected	NEI will survey to determine extent of assumption	NEI to perform survey	I		is performing a survey, starting 2/2006
Inspections and Self-Assessments								
I/SA-4	Develop SDP for Fire Brigades	N - Low I - Low	Preparing		Complete draft and provide to industry for comment	N		
I/SA-5	Fire Drill Participation	N-Low I-Low	NRC has questions about what counts for drill participation	NEI will survey		I	Late 2006	
Manual Actions								
MA-3	Alternate shutdown manual actions	N - High I - Med	Proposed rule issued; public comment received. NRC will evaluate and provide position in final rule	Same feasibility criteria as IP 71111.05T (March 2003) should apply	Proposed rule issued; public comment received. Final rule in development	N	Spring 2006	Public Meeting Early March

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CF-8	RIS for clarification of circuit analysis terms	N - High I - Low	Positions stated in RIS	Varies	Incorporate stakeholder comments and finalize RIS	Complete		ML053360069 RIS 2005-30
Fire Barrier Issues								
Other Fire Protection Issues								
FP -1a	CO2 System Lockouts	N-Med I-Low			NRC to respond to NEI white paper	Complete		ML051740050
FP-2	Industry response to NRC position on NEI 02-03	N – Med I - Med			Complete and submit	Complete		ML032400017
FP-4a	Epoxy coating/flame spread	N-Low I-Low			NRC to respond to NEI white paper	Complete		ML052020025
FP-9	Fire hydrants grease may cause corrosion				NRC to issue IN	Complete	Winter 2005/2006	IN 2005-32 ML053110349
FP-10	Site FP Engineers Cleared for Safe-Guards Info		Licensees have the authority to clear FP Engineers since they would appear to have "a need to know." Apparently this is not being done, note various conflicts between security and FP.			Complete		IN 2005-033

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FPX	FP Security Interface		The inspectors observed new security barrier features that may impact the fire protection program by potentially hampering timely deployment of fire equipment, personnel and other fire protection features.			Complete		IN 2005-033
FP-8	Mrule consideration of fire	N-High I-High	Maintenance Rule evaluations should consider fire risk	Revision to NEI 03-06 to incorporate FP into risk management guidance docs		I	Jan 2006	See Feb. 2 Email, included as Attachment 3.
	The development of Fire PRA Peer Review Guide		NRC would like to use the IMP to organize development of peer review guide	NEI to create peer review guide for FP PRAS by 12/31/2006				Moved to 805 Section
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From: Sunil Weerakkody
To: MARION, Alex
Date: 2/2/06 1:03PM
Subject: Closing out the issue on Mantrenace Rule a(4) with respect to fire protection

Alex:

The purpose of this Email is to convey a summary of the discussion we had with you during the public meeting on 01/31. We indicated to you that, it is NRC expectation that licensees consider fire risk among other risk components when they implement a(4) of the Maintenance Rule. We agreed that resolution of this issue must be handled outside of Fire Protection, and through the appropriate branches of NEI and NRR (i.e NRR/DRA/APOB led by Mike Franovich). We have conveyed our thinking on this subject to NRR/DRA/APOB. As such, I suggest that we close out this item on the NEI/NRC issue mgmt protocol list.

Sunil

cc: Alexander, Stephen; Franovich, Mike; Frumkin, Daniel; Gallucci, Ray

ENCLOSURE 3

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