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#### **PUBLIC MEETING PRINCIPAL ATTENDEES**

#### July 6, 2006

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## D. C. Cook Annual Assessment Meeting

Reactor Oversight Program - CY 2005



Nuclear Regulatory Commission - Region III

July 6, 2006

# Purpose of Today's Meeting

 A public forum for discussion of D.C. Cook Nuclear Plant's performance in Calendar Year 2005

 Brief overview of the Reactor Oversight Process, including results in Calendar Year 2005

■ NRC available for public questions and comments

# Agenda

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- Introduction
- Review of Reactor Oversight Process
- National Summary of Plant Performance
- Discussion of Plant Performance Results
- NRC Closing Remarks
- Break
- NRC available to address public questions

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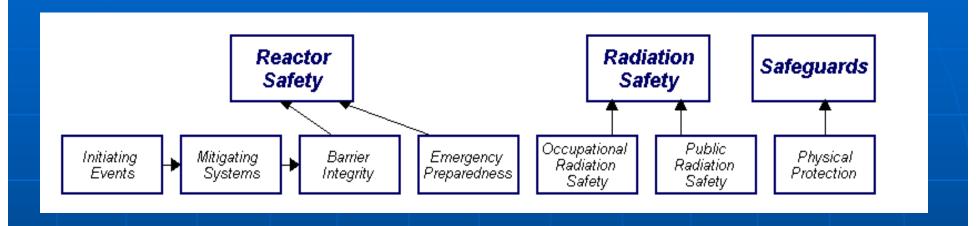
## NRC Performance Goals

- Safety: Ensure protection of the public health and safety and the environment
- Security: Ensure the secure use and management of radioactive materials
- Openness: Ensure openness in our regulatory process
- Effectiveness: Ensure that NRC actions are effective, efficient, realistic, and timely

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 Management: Ensure excellence in agency management to carry out the NRC's strategic objective

## Reactor Oversight Process



- 3 Strategic Performance Areas are divided into 7
   Cornerstones of Safety
- Findings and Performance Indicators are associated with particular Cornerstones

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 Cross-Cutting Issues involve a common cause affecting multiple Cornerstones

# Reactor Oversight Process

Licensee Response **Regulatory Response** 

**Degraded Cornerstone** 

Multiple/Rep. Degraded Cornerstone

**Unacceptable Performance** 

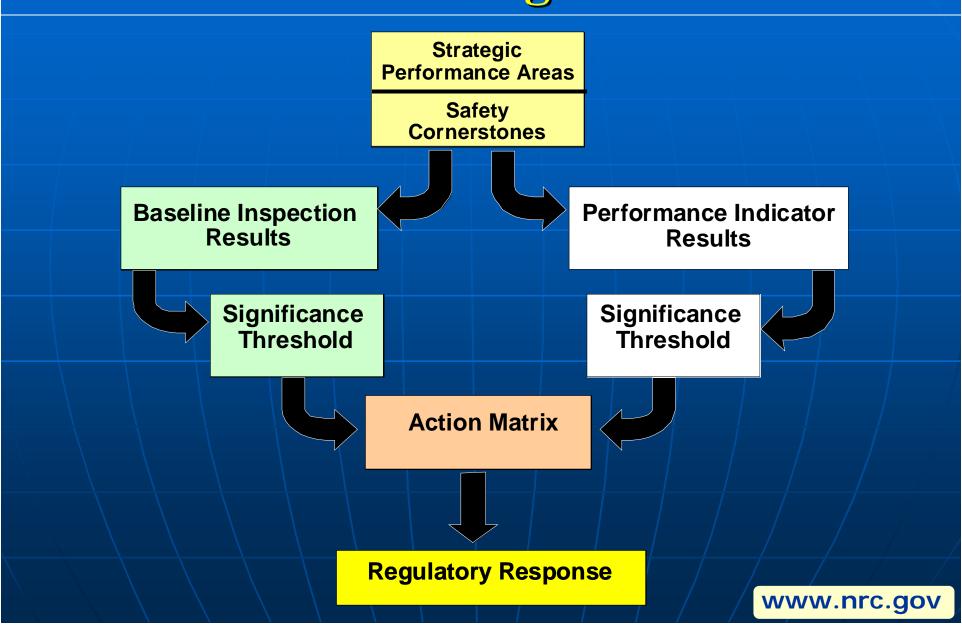


**Increasing NRC Inspection Efforts** 

**Increasing NRC / Licensee Management Involvement** 

**Increasing Regulatory Actions** 

# Reactor Oversight Process



# Examples of Baseline Inspections

Equipment Alignment

Triennial Fire Protection

Operator Response

Emergency Preparedness

Rad Release Controls

Worker Radiation Protection

Corrective Action Program

Corrective Action Case Reviews

~80 hrs/yr

~200 hrs every 3 yrs

~125 hrs/yr

~80 hrs/yr

~110 hrs every 2 yrs

~90 hrs/yr

~250 hrs every 2 yrs

~60 hrs/yr

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# Significance Threshold

### **Performance Indicators**

Green: Only Baseline Inspection

White: May increase NRC oversight

Yellow: Requires more NRC oversight

**Red**: Requires more NRC oversight

#### **Inspection Findings**

Green: Very Low safety issue

White: Low to Moderate safety issue

Yellow: Substantial safety issue

**Red:** High safety issue

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# National Summary of Plant Performance

#### Status at End of CY 2005

Licensee Response	84
Regulatory Response	12
Degraded Cornerstone	4
Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone	3
Unacceptable	0
Total	103

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# National Summary

Performance Indicator Results (end of CY 2005)

- Green 1850

White 4

Yellow0

- Red

■ Total Inspection Findings (CY 2005)

- Green **849** 

• White 10

Yellow

- Red \ 0

## D. C. Cook Assessment Results

#### Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2005

- Unit 1 was in the Licensee Response column
- Unit 2 was in the Regulatory Response column in 1Q2005 and 2Q2005 due to a White performance indicator (Scrams With Loss of Normal Heat Removal)
  - Unit 2 returned to the Licensee Response Column in 3Q2005, when the performance indicator returned to Green
- No substantive cross-cutting issues identified
- Three Severity Level III violations were issued involving the failure to provide complete and accurate information regarding medical conditions affecting licensed operators

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# Safety Significant Findings or PIs

- No Safety Significant Findings were identified
- The Scrams With Loss of Normal Heat Removal performance indicator was White in 1Q2005 and 2Q2005. The PI returned to green in 3Q2005.
  - The last applicable Scram was in 2Q2003
  - 95001 inspection completed Nov. 17-21, 2003
  - This performance indicator tracks for 12 quarters

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# D. C. Cook Inspection Activities

#### Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2005

- Approximately 2200 baseline inspection hours
- More than 150 additional inspection hours
  - Special Inspection completed November 18, 2005 in response to Unit 2 trip with subsequent equipment malfunctions
- 20 total findings and violations

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# D. C. Cook Inspection Activities

#### Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2005

- Unit 1 refueling outage: March 26 May 6,
   2005
- License Renewal granted on August 30, 2005
  - Unit 1 license expires Oct. 25, 2034
  - Unit 2 license expires Dec. 23, 2037
- Backfit issued November 9, 2005 regarding electrical distribution

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# D. C. Cook Annual Assessment Summary

## Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2005

- AEP operated D. C. Cook in a manner that preserved public health and safety
- All cornerstone objectives were met with one White performance indicator (Scrams With Loss Of Normal Heat Removal) that returned to Green in 3Q2005

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# Contacting the NRC

- Report an emergency
  - (301) 816-5100 (call collect)
- Report a safety concern:
  - **(800)** 695-7403
  - Allegation@nrc.gov
- General information or questions
  - www.nrc.gov
- Region III Public Affairs
  - Jan Strasma: (630) 829-9663
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## Reference Sources

- Reactor Oversight Process
  - http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html
- Public Electronic Reading Room
  - http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html
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