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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JULY 20, 2006, PUBLIC MEETING WITH
INTERESTED STAKEHOLDERS REGARDING REVISION TO
REGULATORY GUIDE 1.200, "AN APPROACH FOR DETERMINING
THE ADEQUACY OF PROBABILISTIC RISK ASSESSMENT
RESULTS FOR RISK-INFORMED ACTIVITIES"

The staff held a public meeting with interested stakeholders on July 20, 2006, on Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.200, "An Approach for Determining the Technical Adequacy of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Results for Risk-Informed Activities," and the associated Standard Review Plan (SRP) Chapter 19.1. The purpose of the meeting was to (1) share with the public the proposed staff changes to RG 1.200, and (2) provide the staff schedule for issuing Revision 1 of RG 1.200 for use. The meeting was well attended and included representatives from NEI, Erin Engineering, General Electric, Areva, Entergy, and Platts Publishing.

The list of attendees and the meeting handouts (which includes the agenda) are provided in Enclosures 1 and 2, respectively. The NRC staff led the discussion for the meeting, which addressed the following agenda items:

- Introduction
- History and Background
- Status
- Revisions to RG 1.200
- Schedule

There was a good interchange between the staff and attendees. The staff noted that the changes to the RG were a result of (1) the lessons learned from the pilots that had been performed testing the RG, (2) the revisions to the ASME PRA standard and the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) Self-Assessment Process, and (3) the need to support other risk-informed activities (e.g., Part 52 rulemaking). The staff further noted that ASME and NEI had successfully addressed almost all of the staff concerns, and therefore, very few staff objections remained.

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