# NFPA 805 Frequently Asked Questions Process

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## Objective of this Briefing

 To inform stakeholders about the current Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) process for National Fire Protection Association Standard 805 (NFPA 805) transition

### Purpose of the FAQ Process

- To provide a mechanism for resolving interpretation issues concerning Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) 04-02, "Guidance for Implementing a Risk-Informed, Performance-Based Fire Protection Program Under 10 CFR 50.48(c)"
- Requested by Industry through NEI

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#### NFPA 805 FAQ Process (Part I)

- 1. The FAQ is submitted to NEI
- 2. The FAQ is introduced to participants at the "initial" FAQ meeting
- 3. The FAQ is discussed at subsequent FAQ meetings
- 4. An iterative process of written NRC staff comments and FAQ revisions is used to develop a resolution to the FAQ

#### NFPA 805 FAQ Process (Part II)

- A consensus resolution to the FAQ is developed
- 6. Technical Agreement is reached on the FAQ
- 7. The NRC publishes its closure memo
- 8. Regulatory Guide 1.205 is revised at an appropriate date to incorporate the changes to NEI 04-02

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#### FAQ process flowchart Develop FAQ FAQ Has Reached "Technical Agreement" Yes Introduce FAQ At Monthly Reconsider Consensus Position? **FAQ Meeting** FAQ Is Discussed At **NRC Issues Closure** Monthly FAQ Meeting Memo Consensus Reached at NEI 04-02 Updated Monthly FAQ Meeting Regulatory Guide **Updated As Necessary** 6

#### Public discussion of FAQs (Part 1)

- The FAQ list is reviewed at each NFPA 805 FAQ public meeting
- The NEI NFPA 805 Task Force and NRC staff are responsible for achieving a consensus response at the FAQ public meetings
- The submitter is expected to present and explain the details of their FAQ at the initial FAQ public meeting
- Submitter and NRC staff are available to respond to questions posed at FAQ public meetings

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#### Public discussion of FAQs (Part 2)

- Discussion of a new FAQ is deferred to the next meeting, when participants will have had an opportunity to research the issues involved.
- At subsequent meetings, the FAQ will be discussed in detail, until all of the issues have been resolved and consensus has been reached on the response
- The parties are then considered to have reached "Technical Agreement" on the FAQ
- Subsequently, the NRC staff will publish a public closure memo indicating that the resolved FAQ is acceptable guidance for transitioning to NFPA 805

## FAQ process results

 Closure of FAQs occurs when an updated RG 1.205, endorsing a revised NEI 04-02, is approved by the NRC

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