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RAI Response Status

RAI Process

- **Clarification meetings working well**
 - DOE will continue to ask clarifying questions to ensure that we understand what the NRC is asking for in the RAI.
 - DOE will provide a description of the general approach we intend to use to respond to the RAI.
- **RAI issuance schedule would be beneficial for resource planning**



Updates to the License Application

- **DOE is preparing an update to the LA to be submitted upon notification of appointment of an ASLB (10 CFR 63.22(c))**
- **Subsequent updates to the LA will be made as needed to support the NRC's technical review**
 - **Anticipate meeting with NRC to review LA update changes**
- **Objectives of future updates:**
 - **Capture RAI LA update commitments**
 - **Maintain consistency between the LA and subsequent submittals (i.e., RAI responses, etc.)**
 - **Avoid unnecessary impact on NRC review**
- **DOE will revise the LA if:**
 - **Required by regulation**
 - **DOE identifies an error in the LA**
 - **DOE RAI response needs to be aligned with the LA**
 - **NRC explicitly requests that the LA be revised**



Future LA-related Communications With the NRC

- **Objectives:**
 - **Comply with applicable NRC reporting regulations**
 - **Ensure that DOE notifies NRC of issues that may be material to the ongoing NRC technical review**
 - **Avoid unnecessary revisions to the LA or impacts on the NRC review process**
- **Corrective Action Program, screening of change activities, and LA change requests are routinely reviewed against above objectives**
- **Significance guidelines in place**

