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SECRETARY

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Dear Mr. Mulligan:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on the Japan Near Term Task Force (NTTF) Report – Prioritization of Recommendations, on October 11, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Commissioners' Conference Room on the first floor of the NRC's Headquarters building at One White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland. The Commission is interested in hearing your input on prioritization of the recommendations, including regulatory actions to be taken by the NRC staff and longer term evaluations, with a focus on recommendations #s 9, 10, and 11 of the NTTF report. The NTTF report may be found on the NRC public website at <http://pbadupws.nrc.gov/docs/ML1118/ML111861807.pdf>, and a summary of the recommendations is listed on page 69-70. In the staff requirements memorandum on SECY-11-0093, the Commission directed the staff to provide two follow up papers on the short-term actions and prioritization of the recommendations: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/commission/srm/2011/2011-0093srm.pdf>. The new paper on the prioritization is due October 3rd. As soon as the paper is publicly released, my staff will provide it to you.

I am enclosing a copy of the draft meeting agenda for your information (enclosure 1). My staff will keep you informed of any updates to the agenda.

To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including slides/viewgraphs, to Ms. Rochelle Baval and Ms. Sandy Joosten (rochelle.baval@nrc.gov and sandy.joosten@nrc.gov) in the Office of the Secretary, by October 3, 2011, so that it can be distributed to the Commission for review in advance of the meeting. Enclosed are guidelines for slides, if you choose to use them (enclosure 2). PowerPoint is the preferred format, but other electronic presentation formats may be used. This Commission meeting will be webcast live at the Web address: www.nrc.gov. If you intend to use slides, they will also be posted on the NRC website prior to the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Baval at 301-415-1651.

Your presentation at the Commission meeting should be based on the assumption that Commissioners are familiar with the content of your written material. Please plan your oral presentation for 5 minutes, discussing the important points on which you wish to focus the Commission's attention.

The NRC Headquarters building is located opposite the White Flint Metro Station on Rockville Pike and Marinelli Drive, Rockville, Maryland. The White Flint Metro Station is on the Red Line of the Washington area subway system. Reserved visitor parking for Commission guests is available. If you wish to use reserved parking, please notify Ms. Bovol in advance. If reserved parking has been arranged, please check-in with the security staff at the entrance to the NRC campus on Marinelli Drive when you arrive. A Security Guard will call for an escort. Please note that visitors will be screened through metal detectors, will have their packages x-rayed, and will be required to present a picture identification card prior to signing in at the registration desk.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Annette Vietti-Cook", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Annette Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

SCHEDULING NOTE

Title: **BRIEFING ON THE JAPAN NEAR TERM TASK FORCE REPORT – PRIORITIZATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS (Public)**

Purpose: To provide the Commission with a discussion of the staff’s recommendations and external stakeholders’ input on the prioritization of regulatory actions to be taken by the staff to respond to the Japan Near Term Task Force (NTTF) report and longer term evaluations to facilitate Commission voting on the notation vote paper providing staff’s recommendations.

Scheduled: **October 11, 2011**
9:00 am and 1:00pm

Duration: Approx. 5 hours

Location: Commissioners’ Conference Room, 1st floor OWFN

Morning Session

External Panel **20 mins.***

William Leith, Earthquake Hazards Program Coordinator, U. S. Geological Survey
[Recommendation 2 – seismic hazards] **5 mins.***

Christopher Paine, Natural Resources Defense Council
[NGO general comments on Recommendations 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8] **5 mins.***

Charles Pardee, Chairman, Industry Fukushima Response Steering Committee and Chief Operating Officer, Exelon Generation
[Recommendations 2- licensee evaluation of seismic and flooding hazards; 3- seismically induced fires and floods; 4 – licensee SBO coping and 50.54(hh) equipment readiness; 5 – hardened vents; 6 – hydrogen control and mitigation; 7 – spent fuel pools; and 8 – EOPs, SAMGs, EDMGs] **5 mins.***

Ed Lyman, Senior Staff Scientist, Union of Concerned Scientists
[NGO general comments on Recommendations 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8] **5 mins.***

Topic: Input on prioritization of the Japan NTTF recommendations related to Ensuring Protection and Enhancing Mitigation, including regulatory actions to be taken by the staff, implementation challenges, technical and regulatory bases for

the prioritization and any additional recommendations. The panelists will address specific NTTF recommendations as indicated, as well as any general comments on protection and mitigation issues.

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Break **5 mins.**

NRC Staff Panel **45 mins.**

Bill Borchardt, Executive Director for Operations

Marty Virgilio, Deputy Executive Director for Reactor and Preparedness Programs and Long-Term Steering Committee Chair

Eric Leeds, Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Jim Wiggins, Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response

(Other steering committee members will be seated in the well.)

Topic: Recommendations of prioritization of the Japan NTTF recommendations related to Ensuring Protection and Enhancing Mitigation, including regulatory actions to be taken by the staff, implementation challenges, technical and regulatory bases for the prioritization and any additional recommendations.

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Lunch Break (11:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.) **70 mins.**

Afternoon Session

External Panel **20 mins.**

Sue Perkins-Grew, EP Director, Nuclear Energy Institute **5 mins.***

[Industry input on Recommendation 9, 10 and 11 issues]

Patrick Mulligan, State of New Jersey and Federal Radiological **5 mins.***

Preparedness Coordinating Committee [Input on Recommendation 9, 10 and 11 related to offsite resources and communications]

Timothy Greten, FEMA, Deputy Director, Technological Hazards Division **5 mins.***

[Federal agency input on Recommendation 9 related to offsite resources and communications]

Deborah Brancato, Staff Attorney, Riverkeeper **5 mins.***

[NGO general comments on recommendations 9, 10 and 11]

Topic: Input on prioritization of the Japan NTTF recommendations related to Emergency Preparedness, including regulatory actions to be taken by the staff, implementation challenges, technical and regulatory bases for the prioritization and any additional recommendations.

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Break **5 mins.**

NRC Staff Panel **15 mins.**

Bill Borchardt, Executive Director for Operations

Marty Virgilio, Deputy Executive Director for Reactor and Preparedness Programs and Long-Term Steering Committee Chair

Eric Leeds, Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Jim Wiggins, Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response

(Other steering committee members will be seated in the well.)

Topic: Recommendations of prioritization of the Japan NTTF recommendations related to Emergency Preparedness, including regulatory actions to be taken by the staff, implementation challenges, technical and regulatory bases for the prioritization and any additional recommendations.

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Discussion – Wrap-up **5 mins.**

*For presentation only and does not include time for Commission Q & As

Documents:

- Notation Vote SECY Paper with staff's recommendations of prioritization of the Japan Task Force's recommendations, due October 3, 2011.

Slides due to SECY: October 3, 2011.

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