

NRC's Plan for Extended Storage and Transportation and Related Waste Confidence Considerations

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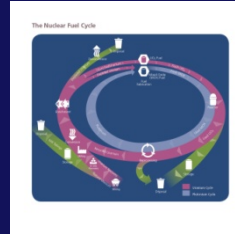
Introduction



- **Uncertainties in the national policy for spent nuclear fuel disposition**
- **Extended storage of used fuel may be necessary**
- **Despite uncertainties in national strategies, NRC's mission remains the same – public health and safety, protection of the environment, common defense and security**



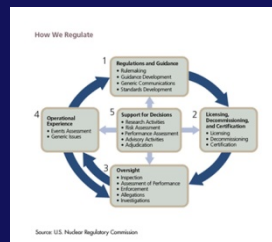
Approach



- **Systems level perspective of back-end fuel cycle issues**
- **Comprehensive understanding – ensure safety no matter what direction the national policy takes**
- **Provide insight and recommendations to decision makers**



Process



- **Work in an integrated fashion**
- **Engage and work collegially with domestic and international counterparts to leverage existing knowledge and capabilities**
- **Engage stakeholders early and often to ensure issues are adequately considered**



How will Stakeholders be Involved?

- NRC will actively seek input and feedback from stakeholders during the ongoing implementation and evolution of the plan
- NRC will provide opportunities that encourage interested parties to be involved in the evolving issues
- NRC will also develop web-based tools to more effectively interact with and disseminate information to partners and interested stakeholders