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SECRETARY

Paula Marino  
Senior Industry Fire PRA Task Force and  
Vice President, Southern Nuclear Operating Company  
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Birmingham, AL 35242

Dear Ms. Marino:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on NFPA 805 Fire Protection, on December 13, 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 an executive perspective on the Industry Fire PRA Task Force. 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. .

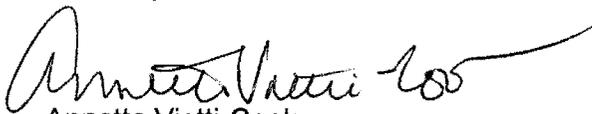
To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including slides/viewgraphs, to Ms. Rochelle Baval and Ms. Sandy Joosten ([rochelle.baval@nrc.gov](mailto:rochelle.baval@nrc.gov) and [sandy.joosten@nrc.gov](mailto:sandy.joosten@nrc.gov)) in the Office of the Secretary, by December 6, 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](http://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 8 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. Baval 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 flourish extending to the right.

Annette Vietti-Cook  
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

Draft: 10/18/11

**SCHEDULING NOTE****Title: BRIEFING ON NFPA 805 FIRE PROTECTION (Public)**

**Purpose:** Provide the Commission a discussion of the lessons learned from the staff's reviews of the license amendment applications of two pilot plants transitioning to 10 CFR 50.48(c) (National Fire Protection Association Standard 805 "Performance-Based Standard for Fire Protection for Light Water Reactor Electric Generating Plants, 2001 Edition (NFPA 805)); how those lessons learned were incorporated into industry and NRC guidance; quality/effectiveness of the NFPA 805 inspection program; quality of non-pilot licensee submittals; status of progress resolving remaining fire PRA issues; and status of the ROP/enforcement discretion.

**Scheduled: December 13, 2011****9:00am**

Duration: Approximately 3 hours

Location: Commissioners' Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor OWFN

<b>Participants:</b>	<b>Presentation</b>
<b><u>Stakeholder Panel</u></b>	<b>40 mins.*</b>
<b>Alex Marion</b> , NEI (Vice President of Nuclear Operations) <u>Topic:</u> Industry Perspectives	8 mins.*
<b>Paula Marino</b> , Senior Industry Fire PRA Task Force (VP – Southern Nuclear Operating Company) <u>Topic:</u> Executive Perspective of the Task Force	8 mins.*
<b>Jeffery Ertman</b> , Progress Energy (NFPA 805 Transition Project Manager) <u>Topic:</u> Lessons learned with pilot transition, post-implementation and triennial inspection	8 mins.*
<b>Michael Carlson</b> , Vice President for Site Support Services, DC Cook <u>Topic:</u> Industry Experience from Non-Pilots	8 mins.*
<b>Paul Gunter</b> , Director, Reactor Oversight Project, Beyond Nuclear <u>Topic:</u> Public Stakeholder Perspectives on Transition to NFPA 805	8 mins.*

<b>Commission Q&amp;A</b>	<b>50 mins.</b>
<b>Break</b>	<b>5 mins.</b>
<b><u>NRC Staff Panel</u></b>	<b>35 mins.*</b>
<b>Bill Borchardt</b> , Executive Director for Operations	
<b>Eric Leeds</b> , Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation	5 mins.*
<b>Alex Klein</b> , Chief, NRR Fire Protection Branch, NRR/DRA	10 mins.*
<u>Topics:</u>	
• Lessons Learned from Pilots (how those were incorporated into industry and NRC guidance and the effectiveness of addressing those lessons learned)	
• Staggered License Amendment Request (LAR) submittals (schedule, observations, lessons learned)	
• Results of Acceptance Reviews of the first set of LARs	
• Status of Enforcement Discretion (licensees that do not meet submission timeframe to retain enforcement discretion and staff actions)	
<b>Donnie Harrison</b> , Chief, NRR Probabilistic Risk Assessment Branch	10 mins.*
<u>Topic:</u>	
• Fire PRA Lessons Learned	
• Proposed Safety Enhancements by Pilots & Non-Pilots	
• Progress resolving remaining fire PRA issues and path forward	
<b>Rebecca Nease</b> , Chief, RII Engineering Branch 2	10 mins.*
• Quality and Effectiveness of the NFPA 805 Inspection Program	
<b>Commission Q &amp; A</b>	<b>50 mins.</b>
<b>Discussion – Wrap-up</b>	<b>5 mins.</b>

\*For presentation only and does not include time for Commission Q & A's

Documents:

- ACRS letter on licensee transition to NFPA 805, dated 2/17/11 (ML110460631).
  - SECY-11-0061, A Request to Revise the Interim Enforcement Policy for Fire Protection Issues on 10 CFR 50.48(C) to Allow Licensees to Submit License Amendment Requests in a Staggered Approach (RIN 3150-AG48), Notation Vote Paper dated 4/29/11. SRM issued on June 10, 2011.
  - SECY-11-0063, Closing Fire Protection Issues - Semiannual Update, Information Paper dated 5/13/11.
  - SECY-11-0068, Lessons Learned from the Pilot Plant Transition to a Risk-Informed, Performance-Based Fire Protection Licensing Basis, Information Paper dated 5/23/11.
- Other staff background material due to SECY: November 29, 2011.  
 Slides due to SECY: December 6, 2011.

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