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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF DECEMBER 19, 2011 CATEGORY 2 PUBLIC
MEETING TO DISCUSS THE REGULATORY BASIS FOR
STREAMLINING NON-POWER REACTOR LICENSE RENEWAL
AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

On December 19, 2011, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) held a public meeting at NRC Headquarters, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. The purpose of the meeting was to gather comments and discuss the proposed options for developing the regulatory basis for streamlining non-power reactor license renewal, and for emergency preparedness at non-power reactors..

The meeting participants included NRC staff, members of the research and test reactor community, and contractors. Members of the public were not in attendance. Public Meeting Feedback forms were not received. Enclosure 1 is a complete list of participants.

I. Opening Remarks and NRC Presentation

The public meeting began with brief opening remarks followed by a presentation by the NRC staff summarizing the historical background on non-power reactor license renewal and emergency preparedness issues and describing the purpose of the meeting. The NRC staff presented the proposed options for streamlining non-power reactor license renewal and emergency preparedness-related topics that will be analyzed as part of regulatory basis development.

II. Discussion

The NRC staff described nine options for streamlining license renewal in detail and asked for public comment. Stakeholders provided feedback on a variety of considerations, including the advantages and disadvantages associated with four of the options. With regard to the emergency preparedness-related topics, stakeholders emphasized the differences between non-power reactors and power reactors, and the need for the regulatory basis to consider these differences.

III. Next Steps

The NRC staff encouraged stakeholders to provide additional comments to the meeting contacts. As next steps, the NRC staff plans to complete a draft regulatory basis and publish it in the Federal Register for public comment. The NRC staff also explained that another public meeting will be held after the draft regulatory basis is published.

The meeting agenda and background documents are available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) under accession number ML113400015. The presentation slides are available in ADAMS under accession number ML113550111.

Please direct any inquiries to Duane Hardesty at 301-415-3724 or duane.hardesty@nrc.gov for streamlining non-power reactor license renewal or to Beth Reed at 301-415-2130 or elizabeth.reed@nrc.gov for non-power reactor emergency preparedness.

**December 19, 2011, Public Meeting
to Discuss the Regulatory Basis for Streamlining Non-Power Reactor
License Renewal and Emergency Preparedness**

Attendance List*

NAME	AFFILIATION
John Adams	NRC
Richard Barrett	AdSTM
Howard Benowitz	NRC
Leo Bobek	UMASS Lowell
John Collier	ICF
Daniel Cronin	University of Florida
Morton Fleishman	AdSTM
Les Foyto	University of Missouri
John Fruits	University of Missouri
Ian Gifford	AFRRI
Liz Gormsen	ICF
Duane Hardesty	NRC
Dan Hughes	NIST
Jere Jenkins	Purdue/TRTR
Samina Kanwal	NRC
Melinda Krahenbuhl	Reed
Jason Lising	NRC
Ellen McManis	Reed
Steve Miller	AFRRI
Cindy Montgomery	NRC
Thomas Myers	NIST
Farhana Naseer	NRC
Sean O'Kelly	NIST
Jessie Quichocho	NRC
Scott Sloan	NRC
Spyros Traiforos	NRC
Linh Tran	NRC
Mark Trump	PSU
Marcus Voth	NRC
Geoffrey Wertz	NRC
Paul Whaley	University of Texas
Xiaosong Yin	NRC
Siaka Yusuf	Dow Chemical Company

* includes attendance via webinar / telephone conference

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