Status of Part 21 Rulemaking and Regulatory Guide Development

EPRI JUTG Meeting - February 2012

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Part 21 NRC Working Group

- The NRC formed a working group with members representing many NRC offices, including:
  - Office of New Reactors
  - Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
  - Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
  - Office of the General Council
  - Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs

Public Meeting

- January 26, 2012
  - The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the NRC's rulemaking process, schedule, and allow industry and interested stakeholders the opportunity to participate in the regulatory basis and guidance development to clarify the requirements
  - Included presentations from the NRC, licensee, vendors, NEI and EPRI
  - Meeting Summary: ADAMS ML12027A133

Regulatory Basis

SECY-11-0135, the staff's plans to develop a regulatory basis, contained an enclosure that listed the 25 areas identified for improvement:

- Administrative Changes
- Evaluating and Reporting
- Commercial-Grade Dedication

Regulatory Basis Status

- Based on each area for improvement the working group will be identifying:
  - Definition of the Regulatory Problem
  - Existing Regulatory Framework
  - Options Considered to Resolve the Problem
    - Take No Action
    - Use Voluntary Programs
    - Implement Proposed Regulation
  - Proposed Changes to NRC Regulations

Regulatory Guides

- Development of Regulatory Guides
  - DG-1291, “Evaluating Deviations and Reporting Defects and Noncompliance
  - DG-1292, “Sampling and Dedication of Commercial Grade Items

How to get involved

- We want your input!
  - The regulatory basis goes through many levels of approval. As the staff proceeds through this process, we take into consideration timing of (if and when) the regulatory basis will be provided for public review prior to publication of a proposed rule.

Public Meetings

- Next Public Meeting
  - Staff will invite representatives of interested stakeholders, in a “roundtable” format, to provide input, comments, and perspectives on the issues being considered in the development of the draft regulatory basis for a potential rulemaking to clarify Part 21.

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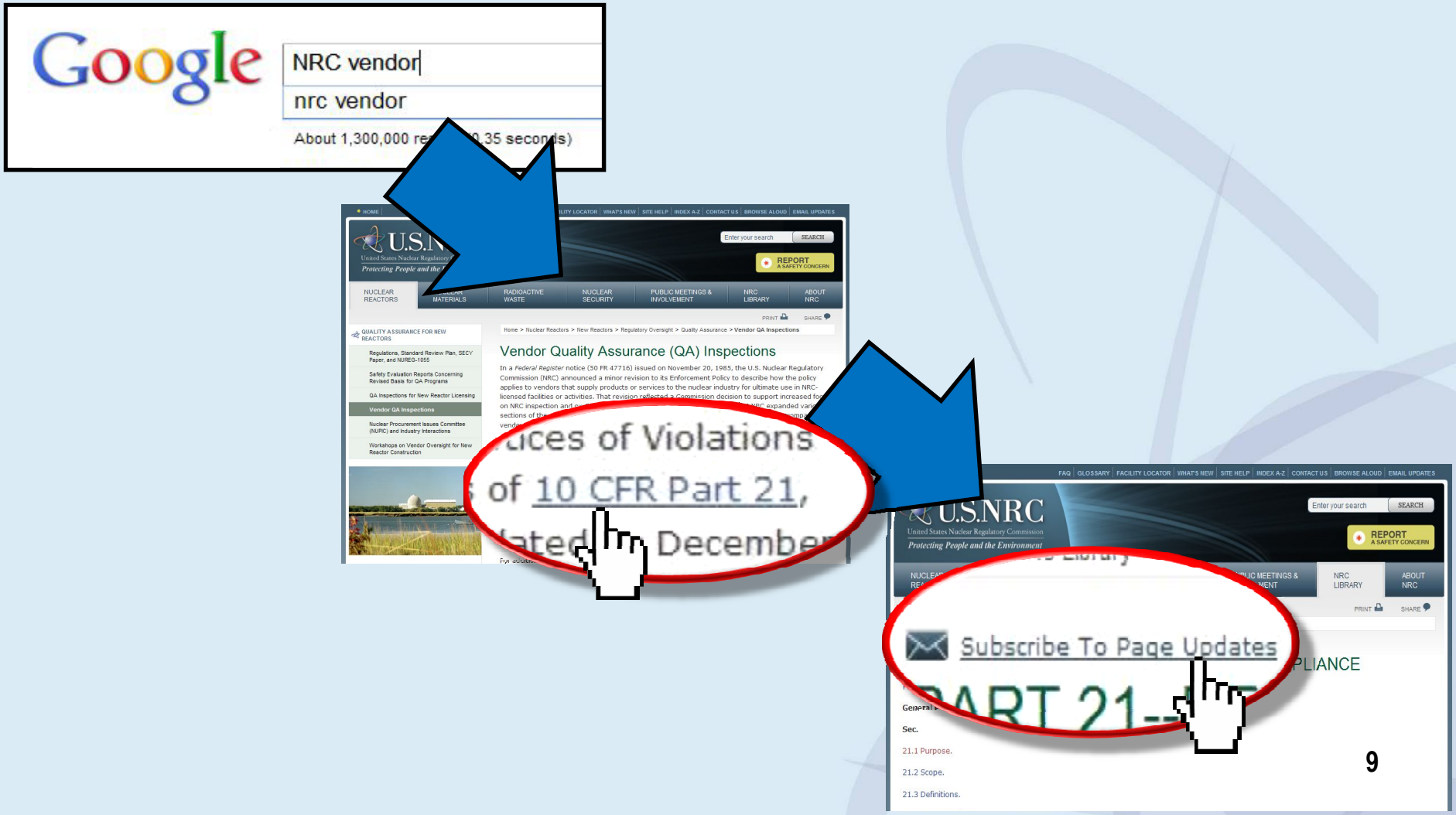

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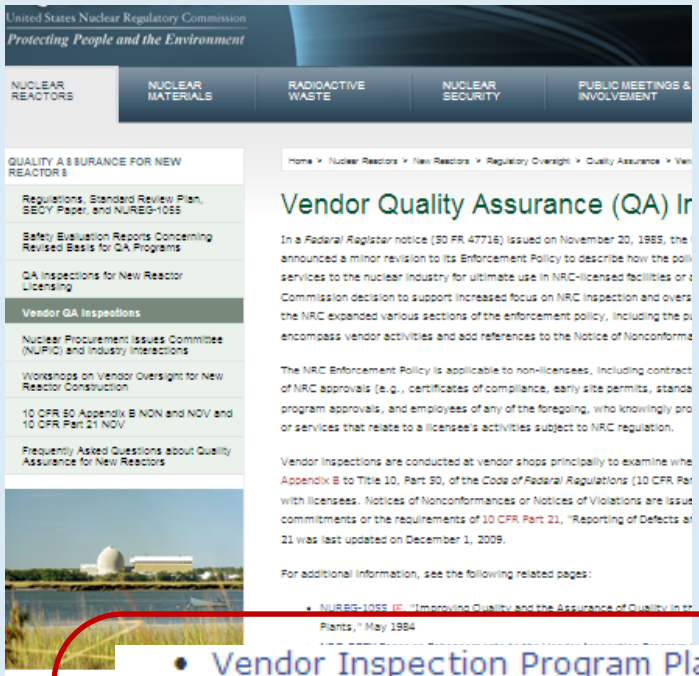

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Search for NRO Docket – **NRC-2012-0012**

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