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MEMORANDUM TO: Shana R. Helton, Chief
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SUBJECT: MEETING TO DISCUSS THE ADVANCE NOTICE OF
PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON STATION BLACKOUT

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, April 25, 2012
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Two White Flint North
Room: T-02B3
11545 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland 20852

PURPOSE: The purposes of the meeting are to:

Provide external stakeholders with the staff's preliminary thoughts on station blackout (SBO) mitigation as described in the advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR), published in the *Federal Register* on March 20, 2012 (77 FR 16175).

Afford external stakeholders an opportunity to ask the NRC staff clarifying and amplifying questions on the ANPR.

Provide an opportunity for external stakeholders and the NRC staff to exchange information on ANPR subject matters to facilitate more accurate and complete understanding by all parties on these subject matters.

The overall NRC goal of the meeting is to enable stakeholders to provide more informed written comment in response to the ANPR. The meeting is not designed, nor intended to solicit or

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receive comments on the ANPR. Comments on the ANPR should be provided in written form as described in the ANPR¹.

CATEGORY 3²: This is a Category 3 Meeting: Public participation is actively sought for this meeting to fully engage the public in a discussion of regulatory issues so that stakeholders will be able to provide more informed written comment in response to the ANPR.

PARTICIPANTS: NRC staff, interested stakeholders, and members of the public. Participants from the NRC include members of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), the Office of New Reactors (NRO), and the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES).

Pre-registration: Interested members of the public who will be attending the meeting may pre-register for a visitor security badge. For details, please e-mail or call the NRC meeting contact listed or call the NRC operator at 1-800-368-5642 to ask for a connection to the meeting contact. Those interested in participating in this meeting should call or email the meeting contact as soon as possible, but no later than April 20, 2012.

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1 You may submit comments by any one of the following methods: **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for documents filed under Docket ID NRC-2011-0299. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher, telephone: 301-492-3668, e-mail: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. **Mail comments to:** Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff. **E-mail comments to:** Rulemaking.Comments@nrc.gov. If you do not receive a reply e-mail confirming that we have received your comments, contact us directly at 301-415-1677. **Hand deliver comments to:** 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays, telephone: 301-415-1677. **Fax comments to:** Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at 301-415-1101.

2 Commission's Policy Statement on "Enhancing Public Participation in NRC Meetings" (67 FR 36920; May 28, 2002).

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APRIL 25, 2012

<u>Time:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>
1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Welcome/Introductions/Logistics Meeting Objectives
1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Overview of the ANPR Description of path forward on ANPR and SBO rulemaking process
1:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Walk-through of ANPR Questions to clarify or answer any stakeholder questions
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Break
3:45 p.m. – 4:30 pm	Issues that the NRC staff or stakeholders wish to focus on or further discuss. Discussion of future planned or potential stakeholder interactions
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Wrap-up

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