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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE DECEMBER 13, 2012, PUBLIC WEBINAR
ON INDUSTRY'S PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE APPROACH FOR
NEAR TERM TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION 2.1
REGARDING SEISMIC REEVALUATIONS

On December 13, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the staff) held a Category 2 public webinar¹ to continue discussions with industry concerning and alternative approach for Recommendation 2.1, seismic reevaluations. This recommendation can be found in *Near-Term Task Force [NTTF] Recommendations for Enhancing Reactor Safety in the 21st Century* report, issued July 12, 2011.² The seismic reevaluations were identified as a Tier 1 recommendation, which are under consideration for implementation without unnecessary delay. Consequently, on March 12, 2012, the NRC issued a request for information per Title 10 to the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 50.54(f) (the RFI letter). Enclosure 1 to the RFI letter includes Recommendation 2.1: Seismic.³

The meeting participants are included in the enclosure to this document.

The meeting participants used a webinar format to review the Nuclear Energy Institute's (NEI's) slides on a "Potential Augmented Approach for Recommendation 2.1 Seismic Evaluations."⁴ This augmented approach was developed by the industry to address their concerns that the seismic reevaluation response schedule required by the RFI letter is not achievable because of the availability of resources to perform the seismic reevaluations.

The NEI staff discussed the relationship of industry's proposed FLEX approach to be used to respond to the NRC's March 2012 Mitigation Strategies Order (EA-12-049), and the proposed "Augmented Approach" to the seismic reevaluations. Industry representatives also identified the plant equipment to be evaluated under the proposed alternative approach, and provided

¹ The meeting notice is available via the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) under Accession No. ML12332A189.

² The NTTF report is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML111861807.

³ The Request for Information Letter, Enclosure 1, is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML12056A047.

⁴ The NEI slides are available under ADAMS Accession No. ML12348A027.

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Seismic Evaluations Associated with Japan Lessons Learned Near-Term Task Force

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