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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE JANUARY 31, 2013, PUBLIC  
MEETING TO DISCUSS NEAR-TERM TASK FORCE  
RECOMMENDATION 8, STRENGTHENING AND  
INTEGRATION OF ONSITE EMERGENCY RESPONSE  
CAPABILITIES RELATED TO THE FUKUSHIMA DAI-ICHI  
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT ACCIDENT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) held a Category 3 public meeting on January 31, 2013, to provide external stakeholders with the NRC staff's preliminary thoughts on onsite emergency response capabilities, as described in the draft regulatory basis published in the *Federal Register* on January 8, 2013 (77 FR 1154); to afford external stakeholders an opportunity to ask the NRC staff clarifying and amplifying questions on the draft regulatory basis; and to provide an opportunity for external stakeholders and the NRC staff to exchange information on draft regulatory basis subject matters to facilitate more accurate and complete understanding by all parties on these subject matters.

The draft regulatory basis relates to Near-Term Task Force Recommendation 8, strengthening and integration of onsite emergency response capabilities such as emergency operating procedures, severe accident management guidelines, and extensive damage mitigation guidelines. Details can be found in the *Near-Term Task Force Recommendations for Enhancing Reactor Safety in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Report*, issued July 12, 2011 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML111861807).

The meeting was held at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Maryland, and it was attended by 20 people. An additional 14 individuals remotely participated in the meeting through webinar and audio teleconferencing. The attendee list is provided as Enclosure 1. Because the NRC was not accepting public comments at the meeting, a transcript of the meeting was not obtained.

The notice and agenda for the meeting can be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML13011A021. The NRC staff provided a presentation that led the discussion concerning the draft regulatory basis. The slides for the presentation are provided as Enclosure 2.

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NRC Staff Presentation

Opening remarks for the meeting were provided by Robert H. Beall, NRC Division of Policy and Rulemaking, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. Mr. Beall discussed the background for the draft regulatory basis and its current status, encouraging stakeholders to submit comments as described in the draft regulatory basis before the February 22, 2013, deadline. Mr. Beall emphasized that the meeting was intended to inform and better enable stakeholders to provide written comments following the directions in the draft regulatory basis.

Mr. Beall also discussed the next steps in the rulemaking process, noting that the NRC staff expects to issue the final regulatory basis in May 2013. Following Mr. Beall's remarks, Christian B. Cowdrey, NRC Division of Inspection and Regional Support, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, led a discussion of the topics covered in the draft regulatory basis, including procedure integration, requirements for severe accident management guidelines, command and control structures, training and qualifications, and exercises. Mr. Cowdrey also discussed the four rulemaking options listed and discussed in the draft regulatory basis.

The NRC staff's presentation discussed the integration of Recommendation 8 with other post-Fukushima regulatory actions and the impact of the regulatory basis on licensees. Throughout the presentation, there was interaction with stakeholders and opportunities for stakeholders to ask questions about the draft regulatory basis.

The NRC staff concluded by again noting that the public comment period will end on February 22, 2013.

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**LIST OF MEETING ATTENDEES, January 31, 2013**

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Christian Cowdrey	NRC/NRR
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*Dave Schumann	Energy Northwest
*Craig Nichols	GE
*John Hawkinson	Enercon Services, Inc.
*Phillip Ellison	GE
*John Costello	DOM
*Monique Helfrich	DNFSB
*Mike Earles	TVA
*Thomas Hafera	Worley Parsons
*Keith Benefield	TVA
*Nancy Chapman	Bechtel
*Bill Berg	GE
*Jim Peschel	Certrec
*Dewey Olinski	Westinghouse

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ENCLOSURE 1