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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JANUARY 16 AND 17, 2013, PUBLIC WEBINAR

ON IMPLEMENTATION OF NEAR-TERM TASK FORCE

RECOMMENDATION 2.1, FLOODING HAZARD REANALYSIS, RELATED TO THE FUKUSHIMA DAI-ICHI NUCLEAR POWER

PLANT ACCIDENT

On January 16 and 17, 2013, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a public webinar¹ with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and other industry representatives. The purpose of the webinar was to discuss how to address flooding hazard reanalysis, which is part of Recommendation 2.1 from "Recommendations for enhancing Reactor Safety in the 21st Century," a report issued by the post-Fukushima Near-Term Task Force (NTTF) on July 12, 2012.² On March 12, 2012, the NRC issued an information request pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 50.54(f) to implement this recommendation.³

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The webinar began with a discussion of FAQs that had been submitted by NEI.⁴ Specifically, the FAQs sought to clarify the timing and applicability of the peer review section of JLD-ISG-2012-05⁵ to licensees meeting the conditions for scenarios 2 and 3 described in a clarification letter⁶ previously sent to recipients of the original 50.54(f) letter. After some discussion, the NRC staff indicated that the peer review section was applicable to all licensees required to perform an integrated assessment (i.e., licensees with reevaluated flood hazards that are not bounded by their current design basis). Additionally the staff clarified that the integrated assessment report can be submitted prior to the 2-year deadline specified in the original information request and that the letter was not intended to impose an earlier due date. Instead, it only identified the option to submit early.

Following discussion of the FAQs, a discussion was held regarding the path forward on the issue of dam failure. The NRC staff indicated that it was considering issuing staff guidance on the topic. It was agreed to have another public webinar on January 24, 2013 to discuss further.

¹ The original meeting notice is available via the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) under Accession No. MI 13002A442

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

³ The 50.54(f) letter is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML12053A340.

⁴ The NEI FAQs are available under ADAMS Accession No. ML13032A619.

⁵ JLD-ISG-2012-05 is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML12311A214.

⁶ The clarification letter is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML12326A912.

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NEI indicated that they were also working on a white paper that addressed issues of reportability and operability with respect to the submission of the reevaluated flooding hazards. It was agreed that this would be a topic at a future public meeting. Additionally, it was identified that NEI would propose a template for submitting the flood hazard reanalysis.

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The meeting concluded with no questions or comments from the stakeholders. Additionally, a reminder was given that the next public webinar was on January 24, 2013.

Enclosure: Lists of Attendees

 7 The draft scenario-based example is available under ADAMS Accession No. ML13032A618. 8 The additional comments are available under ADAMS Accession No. ML13037A632.

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