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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE MAY 8, 2013, UNITED STATES NUCLEAR
REGULATORY COMMISSION CONSTRUCTION REACTOR
OVERSIGHT PROCESS PERIODIC CATEGORY 2 PUBLIC
MEETING

On May 8, 2013, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Construction Assessment and Enforcement branch met with members of the public and the industry at the NRC headquarters' office in Rockville, MD. The meeting notice was documented in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) under accession number ML13092A247. The purpose of the meeting was to inform interested stakeholders on planned Construction Reactor Oversight Process (cROP) changes and provide a forum for cROP program feedback

The NRC staff presented on key program revisions to support full implementation of the cROP, planned cROP changes under review, and the exit strategy of the cROP pilot. The staff plans to revise guidance documents as necessary and fully implement the new programs by July 1, 2013.

The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) requested that the following changes be made to the cROP assessment and enforcement programs:

- Clarify guidance in NRC Inspection Manual Chapters (IMCs) and Inspection Procedures (IPs) to define "construction" consistent with the definition provided in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 50.10.
- Clarify guidance in NRC IMCs and IPs to state that findings are not subject to escalated enforcement when they are related to a structure, system, or component (SSC) that has not been constructed as defined in 10 CFR 50.10.
- Revise NRC guidance to reflect that if the licensee or their contractor or agent identifies an issue, then this issue should be considered licensee identified and not subject to escalated enforcement.

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Meeting participants discussed these topics during the meeting and the NRC staff informed the industry representatives that their positions would be considered as the cROP guidance documents are revised to support full implementation of the oversight process. The staff agreed to conduct periodic public meetings as requested during which program changes and issues of mutual interest concerning the cROP will be discussed.

A list of attendees is attached. Public Meeting Feedback forms were distributed and submitted according to standard protocols. Please direct any inquiries to Douglas Copeland at 301-415-0517, or via e-mail to Douglas.Copeland@nrc.gov.

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