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Dr. Edwin Lyman
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Dear Dr. Lyman:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on the NRC Staff's Recommendations to Disposition Fukushima Near-Term Task Force (NTTF) Recommendation 1 on Improving NRC's Regulatory Framework, on January 10, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Commissioners' Conference Room on the first floor of the NRC's Headquarters building at One White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland. The Commission is interested in hearing your views, representing the Union of Concerned Scientists, on recommended changes to NRC's regulatory framework. I am enclosing a copy of the meeting agenda for your information (enclosure 1). My staff will keep you informed of any updates to the agenda.

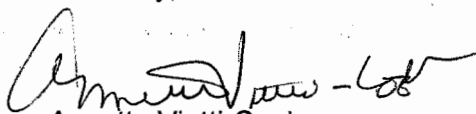
The staff's paper on recommendations for dispositioning NTTF Recommendation 1 is due to the Commission on December 6, 2013. As soon as it is publicly available, my staff will provide it to you. For your easy reference, here is a link to the Fukushima NTTF Report on NRC's public website: <http://pbadupws.nrc.gov/docs/ML1118/ML111861807.pdf>, and here's a link to NRC's public webpage on Japan Lessons Learned: <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/ops-experience/japan-dashboard.html>

To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including slides, to Ms. Rochelle Bavol and Ms. Sandy Joosten (rochelle.bavol@nrc.gov and sandy.joosten@nrc.gov) in the Office of the Secretary, by January 3, 2014, so that it can be distributed to the Commission for review in advance of the meeting. Enclosed are guidelines for slides, if you choose to use them (enclosure 2). PowerPoint is the preferred format, but other electronic presentation formats may be used. This Commission meeting will be webcast live at the Web address: www.nrc.gov, and materials provided for the meeting will be posted on the NRC public website prior to the meeting: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/commission/tr/>. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Bavol at 301-415-1651.

Your presentation at the Commission meeting should be based on the assumption that Commissioners are familiar with the content of your written material. Please plan your oral presentation for 10 minutes, discussing the important points on which you wish to focus the Commission's attention. Please avoid the use of acronyms where possible. If you do use acronyms, please explain them during your presentation.

The NRC Headquarters building is located opposite the White Flint Metro Station on Rockville Pike and Marinelli Drive, Rockville, Maryland. The White Flint Metro Station is on the Red Line of the Washington area subway system. Reserved visitor parking for Commission guests is available. If you wish to use reserved parking, please notify Ms. Bovol in advance. If reserved parking has been arranged, please check-in with the security staff at the entrance to the NRC campus on Marinelli Drive when you arrive. A Security Guard will call for an escort. Please note that visitors will be screened through metal detectors, will have their packages x-rayed, and will be required to present a picture identification card prior to signing in at the registration desk.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Annette Vietti-Cook', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Annette Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance

Final: 11/26/13

SCHEDULING NOTE

Title: **BRIEFING ON THE NRC STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO DISPOSITION FUKUSHIMA NEAR-TERM TASK FORCE (NTTF) RECOMMENDATION 1 ON IMPROVING NRC'S REGULATORY FRAMEWORK (Public Meeting)**

Purpose: To discuss the staff's recommended regulatory framework improvement activities in response to Fukushima Near-Term Task Force (NTTF) Recommendation 1 and receive an update on Fukushima NTTF activities.

Scheduled: **January 10, 2014**
9:00 am

Duration: Approx. 3 hours and 10 minutes

Location: Commissioners' Conference Room, 1st fl OWFN

Participants:

	Presentation
<u>External Panel</u>	40 mins.*
Tony Pietrangelo , Senior Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer, Nuclear Energy Institute	10 mins.*
<u>Topic:</u> Industry views on responding to Recommendation 1	
Roy Linthicum , Chairman, PWR Owners Group Risk Management Subcommittee, PWR Owners Group/Exelon Nuclear	10 mins.*
<u>Topic:</u> Potential impact of recommended improvement activities on operating nuclear power plants	
Jim Lyons , Director, Division of Nuclear Installation Safety, Department of Nuclear Safety and Security, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)	10 mins.*
<u>Topic:</u> International regulatory framework/defense-in-depth standards/guidance	
Ed Lyman , Senior Scientist, Global Security Program, Union of Concerned Scientists	10 mins.*
<u>Topic:</u> Perspectives on recommended changes to NRC's regulatory framework	
Commission Q & A	50 mins.

Break **5 mins.**

NRC Staff Panel **40 mins.***

Mike Johnson, Deputy Executive Director for Reactor and Preparedness Programs and Fukushima Steering Committee Chairman

David Skeen, Director, Japan Lessons Learned Directorate

Topic: Update on Fukushima NTTF activities

Jennifer Uhle, Deputy Director for Reactor Safety Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Topic: Process used by staff to develop recommendations

Richard Dudley, Project Manager, Division of Policy and Rulemaking, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Topic: Summary of recommended improvement activities to NRC's regulatory framework

Gary Holahan, Deputy Director, Office of New Reactors (NRO) and Member of the Fukushima NTTF

Topic: Views on Fukushima NTTF Recommendation 1

(Other Steering Committee members will be seated in the well.)

Commission Q & A **50 mins.**

Discussion – Wrap-Up **5 mins.**

*For presentation only and does not include time for Commission Q & A's

Documents:

- SECY-13-XXXX, "NRC Staff Recommendation for the Disposition of Recommendation 1 of the Near-Term Task Force Report," due December 6, 2013

Staff background material due to SECY: December 26, 2013.

Slides due to SECY: January 3, 2014.

- Use company/organization logo, and light background.
- Slides should contain substantive information, including text, photos, and graphics and be easily readable.
- Explain/spell out acronyms or include a separate slide with a list of acronyms.
- Number pages.
- Top and side margins should be 1 inch.
- Bottom margin should be 2 inches to accommodate captioning for webcasting.

Enclosure 2

PRESENTATION TITLE (Arial Black 40)

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Name and Title of Presenter
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