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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF DECEMBER 4, 2013, PUBLIC MEETING WITH THE
BOILING WATER REACTOR OWNERS GROUP

On December 4, 2013, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff met with representatives of the Boiling Water Reactor Owner's Group (BWROG) in a public meeting at NRC headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. Enclosed is a list of attendees who were in attendance and those that participated by teleconference. Information presented at the meeting by the BWROG is available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at Accession No. ML13339A361.

The purpose of the meeting was for the NRC staff and BWROG representatives to discuss the status of issue resolution and year 2014 submittals from the BWROG for review.

Opening remarks were made for the NRC by Mr. David Pelton, Acting Deputy Director of the Division of Safety Systems, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. Following this, Mr. Sam Harvey, BWROG Vice Chair presented the first of several briefings by the BWROG. Mr. Harvey's briefing included informative remarks about recent BWROG leadership changes, a September 2013 BWROG letter from then BWROG Chairman, Mr. Ted Schiffley, to Mr. John Stang, Acting NRC Chief of the Safety Issues Resolution Branch, and a review of current BWROG submittals and expected 2014 BWROG submittals.

The September 2013 BWROG letter referred to above, letter no. BWROG-13050 (ADAMS Accession No. ML13256A096), discusses a delay of NRC review of BWROG responses to NRC staff requests for additional information (RAIs) concerning the review of NEDC-33608P, "Licensing Topical Report: Boiling Water Reactor Emergency Core Cooling Suction Strainer In-Vessel Downstream Effects" (public version at ADAMS Accession No. ML110140481). In this letter, the BWROG requested the NRC to reassess the prioritization of resources that resulted in the delay. The BWROG proposed an alternative shorter review for the present time so that it would not have to incur a critical path delay in its Emergency Core Cooling System (ECCS) Suction Strainer Fuels Testing Program. The alternative review proposed is a limited review of Attachment B to the BWROG's response to RAIs described above, which is a Benchtop Test Program Description. The BWROG representatives stated that the interim approval associated with the Benchtop Test Program would assist the BWROG in mitigating the anticipated delay associated with NRC reviewer resources.

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The NRC staff and BWROG representatives discussed the time frame for the next meeting and decided it would be appropriate at a time following the upcoming NRC Regulatory Information Conference in March 2014. No members of the public were present in the meeting room and none made themselves known on the teleconference line when asked if any were listening and had any questions or comments for the NRC staff.

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Staff on December 4, 2013**

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Lawrence Fleischer	GEH
Brad Tyers	Exelon
Jim Furman	Anatech
Doug Weaver	WEC
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