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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS WORKING

GROUP PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 22, 2014

On October 22, 2014, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff hosted the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) Working Group (WG) public meeting with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) ROP Task Force and other industry representatives. Enclosure 1 contains the meeting attendance list; Enclosure 2 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML14314A512) contains the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Log and the FAQs discussed during the meeting. Meeting attendees discussed topics related to ROP FAQs.

Staff and industry discussed the following FAQs (see Enclosure 2):

- FAQ 14-02: This FAQ was discussed. This is a site-specific FAQ developed by Fort Calhoun Station (FCS) to address the validity of Mitigating System Performance Index (MSPI) performance indicators as a result of an extended shutdown. FCS predicted future MSPI values using a Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group "What-if" tool and expected plant data. Based on the results of this analysis, FCS proposes that the high pressure injection system MSPI, heat removal system MSPI, and cooling water system MSPI become valid on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2014. However, FCS proposes that the Emergency AC power and residual heat removal system components of the MSPI become valid on the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2015 and 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2016, respectively. FCS provided additional information on their analysis of the heat removal system MSPI validity. The staff will review this information and provide a response during the next ROP WG public meeting.
- FAQ 14-03: This FAQ is tentative final. This is a site-specific FAQ for Arkansas Nuclear One (ANO), Unit 2. This FAQ addresses the Unplanned Scrams with Complications performance indicator guidance on the flowchart question regarding the status of main feedwater availability after the scram.

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- ANO provided additional information about the procedures to recover main feedwater with loss of condenser vacuum. The NRC staff acknowledged that main feedwater could have been recovered within 30 minutes and concluded that this event should not count under the Unplanned Scrams with Complications PI. The staff's response to this FAQ will be revised and this FAQ is expected to become final in the next ROP WG public meeting
- FAQ 14-05: This FAQ is final. This is a site-specific FAQ for Hatch. This FAQ addresses the
  validity of the Alert and Notification System PI for Hatch. The licensee proposes to report the
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- FAQ 14-06: This FAQ was discussed. This is a site-specific FAQ for Vermont Yankee. This FAQ addresses the Unplanned Power Changes per 7,000 Critical Hours performance indicator guidance on identification and response to degrading conditions. The staff noted that this FAQ might not be resolved prior to the Vermont Yankee's expected transition to decommissioning. However, the staff recognized that this FAQ provides an opportunity to explore clarifying the terms "sudden degradation" and "rapid response" in NEI 99-02, "Regulatory Assessment Performance Indicator Guidance." The staff will review this FAQ and the need for revising NEI 99-02 and will provide a response during the next ROP WG public meeting.
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