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MEMORANDUM TO: Nathan Sanfilippo, Chief
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS WORKING
GROUP PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 21, 2015

On October 21, 2015, 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 via teleconference. Enclosure 1 contains the meeting attendance list and Enclosure 2 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML15307A1575XXXXX) contains the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Log and the FAQs discussed during the meeting.

The only agenda item for this meeting was for staff and industry to discuss the following FAQs (see Enclosure 2):

- FAQ 15-02: This FAQ was made final. This generic FAQ requested guidance on the Unplanned Power Changes per 7,000 Critical Hours PI. The licensee asked for further clarification on what constitutes the discovery of an off-normal condition, since there is a required 72-hour period between discovery and power reduction in order for the power change to not count as an Unplanned Power Change per NEI 99-02. The NRC staff determined that the guidance in NEI 99-02 on the time of discovery of an off-normal condition is adequate as currently written, and, in this case, the licensee is correct in determining that a shutdown that occurred in December 2014 does not have to count towards this PI.
- FAQ 15-03: This FAQ was made tentative final. This generic FAQ was introduced in the June meeting to evaluate the exclusion of low risk worth trains from monitoring based on a low Birnbaum value. There are trains or segments that can incur hundreds of thousands of unavailability hours and remain Green. Industry is proposing excluding trains with these characteristics from monitoring. The staff is willing to accept the industry's proposed revision as written.

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**REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS PUBLIC MEETING
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