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MEMORANDUM TO: Alexander R. Klein, Chief
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF THE MARCH 2, 2016, CATEGORY 2 MEETING
REGARDING THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
STANDARD 805 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION PROCESS

On March 2, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a meeting with stakeholders and the public to discuss Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) at plants that are adopting National Fire Protection Association Standard 805 (NFPA 805). Licensees and the NRC staff discussed the list of currently open FAQs. The participants determined that both industry stakeholders and the NRC staff needed to continue to work on the remaining open FAQs.

NRC staff announced the issuance of the closure memorandum for FAQ 14-0070, which is related to the use of untreated wood in the power block.

Industry stakeholders stated that a revision to FAQ 14-0071, which is related to the use of non-fire-rated cables, would be submitted prior to the next meeting.

NRC staff acknowledged receipt of revision 1 to FAQ 14-0073, which is related to the use of gasoline fired equipment, as well as the industry response to previous NRC staff comments. The NRC staff stated that there had not been enough time to consider the new revision before the meeting to support a detailed discussion, and the participants agreed to postpone discussion until the next meeting. The NRC staff stated that they expected to see proposed changes to the industry implementation guidance document (NEI 04-02), but that this did not appear to be present in the revision.

Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) representatives briefly introduced a new FAQ (FAQ 16-0076) related to a process for updating Fire Probabilistic Risk Assessments used in NFPA 805 applications.

The NRC staff stated that a letter to NEI regarding staff expectations related to accelerating the review of changes to committed modifications and implementation items included in the plant's NFPA 805 transition license condition had been sent and was available to the public. NEI

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representatives stated that they would have hoped for more interactions with the staff prior to the NRC publishing such guidance. The NRC staff then briefly described the contents of the letter. NEI representatives asked whether changes to the NFPA 805 license condition required a license amendment request. The NRC staff stated that was the expectation. The participants agreed that further discussion of the letter at the next FAQ meeting was possible.

During the public comment period, a member of the public expressed concern about the length of the NFPA 805 reviews, and asked if there was a firm date when safety improvements would be completed at the plants. The staff stated that a completion date for plant modifications and program changes is included in the revised license condition and discussed in the issued safety evaluation; prior to the issuance of the new license condition and safety evaluation, the licensee proposes a schedule in their application. The public then asked where they could find this information. The staff further stated that this information is on the NRC website and in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS).

The NRC staff and stakeholders agreed that the next FAQ meeting would take place in April 2016.

The documents discussed in the meeting are available in ADAMS. The closure memorandum for FAQ 14-0070 is available at ML15336A556. The industry response to NRC comments on FAQ 14-0073 is available at ML16061A380. Revision 1 of FAQ 14-0073 is available at ML16061A372. New FAQ 16-0076 is available at ML16061A401. The NRC letter regarding staff expectations related to accelerating the review of license changes is available at ML16015A416. The document describing the NFPA 805 review status is available at ML16033A254.

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