



Risk-Informed Steering Committee
PRA Technical Adequacy Working Group
NRC and Industry Working Group Status Update

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Current Status

- Staff identified concerns with draft NEI guidance documents
 - ❑ Vetting Panel Process for Acceptability of New Methods and
 - ❑ Closing Out Findings and Observations (F&Os)

- Staff developed draft position on acceptable above processes
 - ❑ Shared with stakeholders to communicate staff expectations
 - ❑ Public meeting held on May 2, 2016
 - ❑ Stakeholders to provide comments on draft position by May 31, 2016

- Staff developing internal NRC guidance for implementing proposed Vetting Panel process
 - ❑ Draft available by May 31, 2016
 - ❑ To include consideration of priorities, resources and schedule

Path Forward on Vetting Panel Process

- NEI letter to NRC Staff requesting Pilot of the Vetting Panel Review of 3 New Methods – April 28, 2016
- Conduct Vetting Panel “screening review” call by June 16, 2016
- Conduct Public Meeting of Vetting Panel by June 30, 2016
 - ❑ Discuss New Methods review scope and complexity, schedules, issues and questions
- Implement Vetting Panel review phase
- NRC will take lessons learned from pilots and incorporate into staff position
- NEI to update guidance based on pilot and staff position

Path Forward on Potential New Approach for F&O Closeout

- Draft NEI Guidance added close-out of peer review Facts and Observations (F&Os) by Independent Assessment
- Draft NEI Guidance lacks specificity and could lead to improper implementation
- NRC staff to observe industry pilot of new closure process – Summer 2016
- Lessons learned factored into staff position and industry guidance